

WGNV Community Calendar

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Saturday, July 31st

Golden Needle Quilters Annual Quilt Show
Almond School
Almond
9:30 AM – 4:30 PM
More info: 715-366-2595

These aren't your grandmother's quilts! Well, actually, some of them are. Enjoy a free, relaxing day of beauty and a presentation called Fat Quarter Fiesta by Wendy Rieves at 10:30 AM.

Sunday, August 1st

Church Picnic
St. Adalbert's Church
Rosholt
10:00 AM – 8:00 PM
More info: 715-677-4519

The day starts with Polka Mass worship and the fun continues with a baked chicken and ham dinner from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM plus music, refreshments, children's games, prizes, cakewalk and much more.

Sunday, August 1st

90th Annual Church Picnic & Chicken Dinner
St. Philip Parish
Rudolph
9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
More info: 715-435-3286 or 715-435-3797

Start your morning with worship at the Polka Mass, and then enjoy an old-fashioned chicken dinner. The afternoon and evening are filled with music, refreshments, children's games and more.

Monday, August 2nd

Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University Preview Class
Lighthouse Pentecostal Church
Wausau
6:00 – 7:30 PM
More info: Kathy Seehafer, 715-443-3472

FPU is a 13-week life-changing program that empowers and teaches you how to make the right money decisions to achieve your financial goals and God's plan for your life. The course includes practical lessons on eliminating debt, building wealth, and giving like never before. The preview class is free.

Monday, August 2nd – Friday, August 6th

Soccer Camp
Calvary Baptist Church
Wisconsin Rapids
\$15.00 per child; \$30.00 per family; \$10.00 late fee for applications received after July 25th
More info: 715-423-7190 or www.calvaryrapids.org/resources

Director of the Baptist Bible College soccer program, Coach Roger Jacobs will again help develop sport-specific skills for young soccer players. Boys and girls who have completed kindergarten, up to eighth grade are eligible for the camp. Positions are limited. **Late fees apply after July 25th.**

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Thursday, August 5th

Girls Rock '10

YWCA

Wausau

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Free

More info: 715-842-3381

Middle and high school girls are invited to a fun workshop. Featured activities include Zumba and Thai line dancing, lunch, a back-to-school fashion show, door prizes and more. The workshop is sponsored by the Marathon County Health Department and Marshfield Clinic. Space is limited. **Registration is required by Friday, July 30th.**

Saturday, August 7th

Labyrinth Retreat Day

St. Anthony Spirituality Center

Marathon

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

\$50.00

More info: 715-443-2236 or info@sarcenter.com

Gift yourself with sacred time and space for enriching your faith with the support of community. Reservations required. Transportation is available.

Monday, August 9th – Friday, August 13th

Kingdom of the Son Safari

Freedom by the Word Church

Wausau

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

More info: Barbara Drake, 715-359-8190

Praise and worship, Bible teaching, puppets, crafts, snacks and activities will teach children from four years through sixth grade about the Lord. Vacation Bible School is free.

Tuesday, August 10th

Plants & Transplants Dinner

Marshfield Christian Women's Connection

Belvedere Supper Club

Marshfield

6:30 PM

\$10.00

More info: Polly, 715-384-4576 or Christine, 715-387-3502

Linda Brand will demonstrate potting picture perfect plants. Keynote speaker Verna Pollock's topic is "An Alien No More – Citizenship in Two Countries." Reservations are required.

Saturday, August 14th – Sunday, August 15th

Cowboy Days

The Ole' Country Church

Medford

Saturday, 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM; Sunday, 10:30 AM – 6:00 PM

More info: Pastor Kenneth Burisek, 715-678-2381

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Free admission to a fun filled adventure for the whole family. Wear cowboy duds and get a free game ticket. Both days include games, prizes, hayrides, train rides, "gold"-panning and the Chuck Wagon Café. Sunday begins with worship at 10:30 and offers "stock tank" baptism in the afternoon.

Monday, August 16th – Friday, August 20th

Operation Space Vacation Bible School

Our Father's House

Chili

6:00 – 8:40 PM

More info: 715-267-6364 or www.doodles1@ceas.coop

The whole family is invited to a close encounter with God's word. VBS is free, but pre-registration is required.

Mondays, August 16th – November 8th

Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University

Lighthouse Pentecostal Church

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6:00 – 7:30 PM

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Wednesday, August 18th

Camping With Jesus VBS

St. James Lutheran Church

Necedah

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

More info: 608-565-2286

Children are invited to an exciting adventure-filled vacation Bible school. Registration is requested.

Wednesday, August 18th

Pie and Ice Cream Social

Peace United Church of Christ

Schofield

4:00 – 6:30 PM

More info: 715-359-2136 or www.peacechurchucc.com

Come visit with your neighbors and enjoy a light lunch of hot sandwiches home made pies and ice cream.

Sunday, August 22nd

Balloon Rally Praise Service

Calvary Baptist Church

Alexander Field

8:00 – 9:00 AM

More info; cbcwirap@wctc.net

Please bring a lawn chair and your sunglasses for a one hour praise service prior to the balloon launch. Regular schedule changes include no ABF or Sunday School and no 10:45 worship. In case of rain, the service will be held in the gym at Calvary Baptist Church.

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Sunday, August 22nd

Shake the Lake

Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

Spencer Lake Christian Center

9:00 AM – 5:30 PM

FREE

More info: Ron & Deb Winter, 715-412-3829 or dwinter1958@yahoo.com

Shake the Lake is a gift to the community, opening up the resources of Spencer Lake Christian Center for a day of family fun including, but not limited to, swimming, classic car show, pontoon boat rides, bounce houses, live music, food and refreshments and worship. The cardboard boat regatta does require a \$15.00 entry fee per boat, but everything else is free.

Sunday, August 22nd – Saturday, August 28th

Canadian Adventure Men's Adventure Retreat

Silver Birch Ranch

White Lake

6:00 AM Sunday – 7:00 PM Saturday

\$360.00

More info: 715-484-2742 or www.silverbirchranh.org

Journey into the wilderness of Canada, 70 miles north of Sault Ste. Marie. Enjoy and adventurous week of canoeing, hiking, fishing, horseshoes and the challenging Word of God. Passports are required. Bring your own bedding and rain gear.

Friday August 27th and Saturday August 28th

Rock Solid Concert- Helping Hands Gospel Mission (outreach to the area homeless)

Lions Park

Wisconsin Rapids

More info: Paul Tonn 715-423-5990

Friday-9am meet at the Lions Club to take part in a service opportunity

Saturday- 4-10pm Enjoy music by Jay Sandifer, 100 White Flags, A City Alive and more! Speakers from Helping Hands Gospel Mission and Bruce VaNatta.

Saturday, September 11th

The Silver Birch Muck Run

Silver Birch Ranch

White Lake

More info: 715-484-2742 or www.silverbirchranh.org

Each runner may choose from 10K, 5K and 1.5K runs on logging trails in the Nicolet National Forest, through waist deep silty water, over tree piles, through tire mazes, up and down steep hills and through the muck pit. It's a blast for the whole family. Sign up online.

Saturday, September 11th

Worship Arts Involvement

Good News Fellowship Church

Stevens Point

7:00 – 8:30 PM

\$5.00/person; \$10.00/family

More info: 715-340-4499 or www.TheWorshipArts.com

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Jay Sandifer and Worship Arts present a deeply moving evening of music, dance and drama. An additional free-will offering will be taken to support ministries to orphans in Honduras.

Thursday, September 16th – Saturday, September 18th

Bus Trip to 2010 Joyce Meyer's Women's Conference

Jewels for Jesus

St. Louis, Missouri

Conference fee: \$60.00; Transportation: \$65.00

Departing Appleton: 6:00 AM September 16th; Returning to Appleton: 11:45 PM September 18th

More info: cbaehnman@new.rr.com

"Jewels for Jesus" is the dream of Colleen Baehnman. It's an opportunity for women from Wisconsin to attend the 2010 Joyce Meyer Women's Conference, traveling on a 55 passenger coach bus.

Friday, September 17th

Free Lunch

Highway Mission Outreach and The Son Light Riders CMA Chapter

Pine Ridge Mobil Mart

Merrill

11:00 AM

More info: 715-218-3514 or chaplainjohn@solarus.biz

Join Pastor John and Terry Michaels for a totally free lunch and learn how the Highway Mission Outreach and Son Light Riders spread the gospel along the highways and byways.

Saturday, October 16th

9th Annual Portage County Empty Bowls Event

Portage County Hunger & Poverty Partnership

Stevens Point Area Senior High School

11:00 AM – 1:30 PM

\$10.00

More info: 715-345-7065, www.emptybowlsportageco.com or Facebook: Empty Bowls

Empty Bowls is a soup dinner to raise money to address hunger and poverty needs in Portage County. The entry fee purchases a handcrafted bowl created by local artists and a dinner of soup, bread and dessert donated by local restaurants.

Sunday, September 19th

Ken Davis "Under the Influence"

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church

Weston

6:30 PM

\$12.00 -- \$19.00 in advance

More info: 800-425-0873 or www.kendavistickets.com

Bring your family and friends for a night of comedy the whole family can enjoy. Tickets are \$15.00 for general admission, \$19.00 for gold circle seating and \$12.00 each for groups of ten or more.

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Friday, November 19th – Sunday, November 23rd

Gun Hunters' Retreat

Silver Birch Ranch

White Lake

5:00 PM Friday – 11:30 AM Sunday

\$125.00 per adult; \$85.00 first child; \$60.00 second child; \$40.00 third + child

More info: 715-484-2742 or www.silverbirchranch.org

Bring your gun and license and enjoy bagging your deer on organized deer drives in the wilderness of the Nicolet National Forest. Time is also set aside to learn from God's Word. Come for an early start on Thursday night so you can be up bright-eyed and bushy tailed for the 4:30 AM breakfast Friday morning.

Ongoing – Sundays

Church Service

Cornerstone Lutheran Church

Wausau Labor Temple

Wausau

1:00 PM

More info: 715-842-7223

You are invited to attend Cornerstone Lutheran Church, a new Lutheran Congregation growing in faith. Sponsored by Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ.

Ongoing

The Gathering Hour

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School Stevens Point

Sundays 9:30am – 10:30am

More Info: 715-345-7087

The Gathering Hour is a newly added service in addition to four other Worship opportunities at St. Paul - Check out our other services! Coffee & Pastries....Contemporary Music....Friends & Families Sunday School Pre-School-8th Grade held at the same time!

Wed: 5:30pm-Traditional,

Sat: 5:30pm-Traditional

Sun: 8am-Traditional &

10:45am-Contemporary

Ongoing

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Stevens Point

9:30 – 11:30 AM

More info: 715-335-6435, 715-342-1202 or www.stevenspointmops.webs.com

MOPS will meet the first and third Thursday mornings of the month for a time of encouragement and fellowship. Childcare is available and children may be dropped off at 9:00 AM.

Ongoing

Become a Certified/Licensed Child Care Provider

Child Care Resource and Referral of Central Wisconsin, Inc.

More info: 715-423-4114 or 800-628-8534

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Residents of Adams, Clark or Wood counties who wish to become child care providers or who are seeking professional child care may call for assistance. Start up grants is now available.

Ongoing

Compassionate Friends Grief Support Group
Ministry Home Care
Hope Lodge
Marshfield
6:30 PM
More info: Cheryl Gessert, 715-659-4540

Compassionate Friends is a free, drop-in grief support group for parents and grandparents. It meets the second Thursday of every month.

Ongoing

Compassionate Friends Grief Support Group
Ministry Home Care
Memorial Medical Center
Neillsville
7:00 PM
More info: Cheryl Gessert, 715-659-4540

Compassionate Friends is a free, drop-in, grief support group for parents and grandparents. It meets the first Tuesday of every month.

Ongoing

Good Grief: Support group for children and families
Ministry Home Care-Hospice
First Presbyterian Church
Marshfield
More info: Kris Tarter, 800-397-4216

Children have a different way of dealing with grief than adults, but they still need support. Trained counselors offer ways to help heal from the pain of loss. Monthly meetings begin with a family meal and then break into age appropriate groups. An initial, private interview is required for participation.