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Goodhue County



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LOCAL AREA EVENTS

JANUARY

Winona Ice Fest
Kids Ice Fishing Event | Red Wing

FEBRUARY

Carriage & Cutter Parade | Kenyon
Sportsmans Club Ice Fishing Contest |
Lake City
Big Turn Music Festival | Red Wing
Annual Grumpy Old Men Festival & Fishing
Tournament | Wabasha
Frozen River Film Festival | Winona
Prairie Island Wacipi Celebration | Red Wing

MARCH

St. Patricks Day Parade | Wabasha

APRIL

Fools Five Road Race | Lewiston
Easter Egg Hunt | Red Wing
Dyngus Day | Winona
Wild and Scenic Film Festival | Red Wing

MAY

Memorial Day Parade | Cannon Falls
100 Mile Garage Sale | Goodhue County
Cinco De Mayo Celebration | Wabasha
Syttende Mai | Wanamingo
Mid West Music Fest | Winona

JUNE

Volksfest | Goodhue
Annual Tour de Pepin | Lake City
Water Ski Days | Lake City
Heartland Days | Lewiston
Father's Day Classic Car Show | Red Wing
Plein Air Arts Festival | Red Wing
Pine Island Cheese Festival
Winona Craft Beer Tour
Steamboat Days | Winona
Market By The Lake (June-Sept) | Lake City

JULY

Cannon Valley Fair | Cannon Falls
4th of July Celebration | Lake City, RedWing
Crazy Days | Red Wing, Winona
Winona County Fair | St Charles
Wabasha County Fair | Wabasha
Annual Riverboat Days Festival | Wabasha
Great River Shakespeare Festival | Winona
Beethoven Festival | Winona
Dixieland Jazz Fest | Winona
Crock Fest | Red Wing

AUGUST

River City Days | Red Wing
Rollingstone Days
Gladiolus Days | St Charles
Goodhue County Fair | Zumbrota

SEPTEMBER

In Yan Teopa 10-mile Run | Frontenac
Boats & Bluegrass Festival | Winona
Annual Big Muddy Brew n' Que | Winona
Pickwick Mill Day | Winona
SeptOberfest German Parade & Pumpkin
Derby (Sept-Oct) | Wabasha
St. Felix Fall Festival | Wabasha
Kellogg Watermelon Festival
Covered Bridge Festival | Zumbrota
Johnny Appleseed Days | Lake City
Rose Fest | Kenyon

OCTOBER

Trunk Or Treat | Red Wing
Smaczne Jablka (Apple Day) | Winona
Winona State University Homecoming |
Winona
Annual Fall Festival of The Arts | Red Wing
Winona - Dakota Gathering | Winona
Sandbar Storytelling Festival | Winona

NOVEMBER

Holiday Stroll & Lighting Ceremony | Red Wing
Small Business Saturday | Wabasha
Deck the Falls | Cannon Falls

DECEMBER

Holiday Train | Lake City
Christmas in Wanamingo
Christmas Candlelight House Tour | Winona
Holiday Lighted Parade | Winona

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Veterans Services	565-3864

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Goodhue County was named in honor of James Madison Goodhue, the first newspaper editor in Minnesota. The county was established in March of 1853 and included much of the area that is in Wabasha County today. The boundaries for the county were formed in 1855 to their current location. Goodhue County is located in the Driftless Area where much of the county features deep valleys where glaciation did not take place - unlike most of the midwest thousands of years ago. Red Wing was named the county seat and is one of the largest cities in the county. In 1900 the population of Goodhue County reached 31,137 and has continued to thrive. Goodhue County is now a big tourist destination due to the beautiful landscape and rich history of the area. Today Goodhue County is home to approximately 45,897 residents.

BELLECHESTER – pop. 175
CANNON FALLS – pop. 4,034
DENNISON – pop. 164
GOODHUE – pop. 989
KENYON – pop. 1,680

PINE ISLAND – pop. 3,326
RED WING (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 15,687
WANAMINGO – pop. 1,044
ZUMBROTA – pop. 3,074
**Populations are approximate.*

CANNON FALLS

Cannon Falls was named after the Cannon River, which flows through the city and extends to Red Wing where it merges with the Mississippi River. It was incorporated in March of 1857. Populations increased rapidly when flour mills were introduced in the late 1800s. Today Cannon Falls is home to approximately 4,034 residents.

GOODHUE

The city of Goodhue was named after James Madison Goodhue. Goodhue was incorporated in 1897. Goodhue was originally known for its prime railroad location as the center point between Red Wing and Rochester. As many as 600 railroad workers made camp in the town of Goodhue at one time, but as railroad use began to decline, Goodhue's population began to decline. Today Goodhue is home to approximately 989 residents.

KENYON

The city of Kenyon was settled in 1856 and was named in honor of Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio. Settlers were attracted to the lush prairie which was perfect for farming in the area. Populations began to flourish as a new mill was founded in 1896 and electricity was introduced. Today Kenyon is home to approximately 1,680 residents.

PINE ISLAND

Pine Island was surveyed and platted in 1856. Settlers were attracted to the land that was ideal for agricultural plots and farm land. Early on Pine Island was known for being one of the better cheese and butter producers in Minnesota. At one point there was more than 40 dairy producers in the area. Pine Islands population grew steadily as the railroads expanded and after Highway 52 was established in 1921. Today Pine Island is home to approximately 3,326 residents.

RED WING (COUNTY SEAT)

Red Wing was named after the symbol of the Mdewakanton Dakota, a swan's wing, dyed red. This was also the name of the Tribe's Chief, Chief Red Wing. It was first settled on the site of an Indian Village and cornfields. Red Wing's population grew as the settlements expanded up the Mississippi River. Red Wing has a very historical background with 25 listings on the National Register of Historic Places. The area which Red Wing is located in is known for its spectacular bluffs and scenic views. Currently Red Wing is home to many companies such as Red Wing Pottery, Red Wing Shoes and Riedell. Today Red Wing is home to approximately 15,687 residents.

WANAMINGO

Settlers were attracted to Wanamingo because of rolling prairies and the Zumbro River. Wanamingo was eventually incorporated in 1917 because of a fast population growth. Many of the new settlers were of Norwegian descent and today Wanamingo still has strong traditions such as "Syttende Mai" the Norwegian Independence Day. Today Wanamingo is home to approximately 1,044 residents.

ZUMBROTA

Zumbrota was settled in 1856 by predominantly German and Scandinavian settlers who were attracted to the fertile prairie that cover the city. Its population increased rapidly as railroads were built and work began on schools, churches and grain mills. Zumbrota is home to the only covered bridge in Minnesota that was built in 1869 and still stands to this day. The city is known to be the only "Zumbrota" in the world. Today Zumbrota is home to approximately 3,074 residents.

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- 4 Pour the garlic butter mixture over the tilapia fillets, making sure they are well coated.
- 5 Season the fillets with salt and pepper to taste.
- 6 Bake the tilapia in the preheated oven for 12-15 minutes or until the fish is cooked through and flakes easily with a fork.
- 7 Sprinkle chopped parsley over the top of the cooked tilapia, if desired.
- 8 Serve the tilapia fillets hot, with your favorite side dishes.

INGREDIENTS

- 4 tilapia fillets
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 tablespoons butter, melted
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Fresh parsley, chopped (optional)

Enjoy your delicious and healthy tilapia baked in garlic butter!

PREP: 35 MIN • TOTAL: 50 MIN



Wabasha County is named in honor of the Sioux Indian Chief Wapasha. It was established on October 27, 1849. Settlers were attracted to the location on the Mississippi River and the fertile land for agriculture. Populations increased as steamboat traffic and railroads were erected that connected the area from Illinois to St. Paul, Minnesota. By 1900 Wabasha County had an approximate population of 18,924 residents. Wabasha County is full of history, the city of Wabasha has over 50 buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The city of Wabasha is also considered the oldest city on the upper Mississippi River. Wabasha County is home to the National Eagle Center. Tourists are attracted to the area because of the large amount of American bald eagles that flock there towards the end of winter every year. Today Wabasha County has a population of approximately 21,813 residents.

BELLECHESTER – pop. 175

ELGIN – pop. 938

HAMMOND – pop. 181

KELLOGG – pop. 472

LAKE CITY – pop. 5,285

MAZEPPA – pop. 771

MILLVILLE – pop. 170

MINNEISKA – pop. 111

PLAINVIEW – pop. 3,225

WABASHA (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 2,520

ZUMBRO FALLS – pop. 172

**Populations are approximate.*

LAKE CITY

Lake City was named after Lake Pepin, the area of the Mississippi River in which its shores are on. It was incorporated in 1872 after it was established as a very profitable port for grain and other trade. In 1922 Ralph Samuelson invented the sport of water skiing on Lake Pepin. Currently, Lake City is considered the water skiing capital of the world. Today Lake City is home to approximately 5,285 residents.

MINNEISKA

The name Minneiska is derived from the Sioux Indian word for “white water.” The water in the area sometimes appears “white” because of the area where the Whitewater, Zumbro and Mississippi Rivers meet. Minneiska was settled in 1851. Many early settlers were attracted to the area because of its location on the Mississippi River. Populations decreased and much of the town was wiped out by new additions to highway 61. The city is located in both Wabasha and Winona Counties. Today Minneiska is home to approximately 111 residents.

PLAINVIEW

Plainview was established in 1875. Many early settlers were attracted to Plainview because of the rich fertile land that was perfect for agriculture. Most settlers that arrived were of German descent. Much of the German heritage can still be seen today. Plainview was nationally known for cabbage, peas, and sweet corn. It became a leader in the country for growing these crops. Today Plainview is home to approximately 3,225 residents.

WABASHA (COUNTY SEAT)

Wabasha was named in honor of Chief Wapasha, a Sioux Indian Chief. Wabasha is considered the oldest city on the Upper Mississippi River because it has been continuously occupied since 1826. Wabasha was later platted in 1854. It was later incorporated in 1858. Wabasha served as the setting for two movies, “Grumpy Old Men” and “Grumpier Old Men.” Today Wabasha is home to approximately 2,520 residents.

ZUMBRO FALLS

Zumbro Falls attracted early settlers because of the location to the Zumbro River. A mill and dam was established in the late 1860s and populations began to increase as industry arrived. The railroads arrived later in the 1870s which added to the increase of business and populations. Zumbro Falls was finally incorporated in February of 1898. Today Zumbro Falls is home to approximately 172 residents.

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Winona was named in honor of Princess Winona, the daughter of Chief Wapasha. “Winona” is derived from the Dakota Indian Word meaning “first-born Daughter.” The story is told that Princess Winona jumped to her death from Maidens Rock in Pepin, Wisconsin after she was forced to marry someone she didn’t love. Winona County was originally inhabited by native Sioux and Dakota Indians. Settlement began in the early 1800s and pioneers were attracted to river and rich prairies for agriculture. Winona County was finally established on February 23, 1854 after Fillmore County was divided up. Winona County was very profitable for its production of agriculture and its shipping ports. Populations in the county were on a steady rise until the early 1900s when the lumber industry started to decline. The area is now known for its beautiful scenery and rich heritage. The county features limestone bluffs, rolling prairies and spectacular views of the Mississippi River Valley. Today Winona County is home to approximately 49,879 residents.

ALTURA – pop. 421

DAKOTA – pop. 320

ELBA – pop. 210

GOODVIEW – pop. 3,565

LA CRESCENT – pop. 4,912

LEWISTON – pop. 1,480

MINNEISKA – pop. 111

MINNESOTA CITY – pop. 217

ROLLINGSTONE – pop. 641

ST. CHARLES – pop. 3,577

STOCKTON – pop. 819

UTICA – pop. 251

WINONA (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 26,785

**Populations are approximate.*

ALTURA

Altura was once hunting grounds for Sioux Indians until 1853 when the Treaty of Traverse Des Sioux was signed. Early Settlers were attracted to the area because of the fertile lands and free claim to land that the government was offering. Today Altura is home to approximately 421 residents.

GOODVIEW

Originally Goodview was used as a summer camp for Indian Tribes. Many of the Indians used this area to grow accustomed to the new white settlers in the area. Goodhue was later incorporated in the 1940s and populations have increased as the area of Winona grew. Today Goodview is home to approximately 3,565 residents.

LA CRESCENT

La Crescent was founded in 1851 as Cameron. It was named after Peter Cameron, a founding member of the town. The town was eventually renamed to La Crescent because of the crescent shape of the Mississippi River that flows around the town. La Crescent is known as the Apple Capital of Minnesota. Currently La Crescent is home to many apple orchards and the town still celebrates Applefest every year. Today La Crescent is home to approximately 4,912 residents.

ROLLINGSTONE

Rollingstone was settled by Luxembourg immigrants looking for new agricultural land. Many Luxembourg traditions remain in Rollingstone today such as St. Nicholas Day in early December. Rollingstone was founded in the late 1850s and populations increased as business and agriculture started to thrive. Today Rollingstone is home to approximately 641 residents.

ST. CHARLES

St. Charles was named in honor of St. Charles Borromeo of Italy. St. Charles was founded in 1854 and soon after became a city in 1858. Agriculture helped develop the city and settlers were attracted to the rich farmland. Populations increased when the railroad tracks reached the city in 1864. Today St. Charles is home to approximately 3,577 residents.

WINONA (COUNTY SEAT)

Winona was named in honor of Princess Winona, the daughter of Chief Wapasha. Winona was founded in 1851 by Orrin Smith and settlers quickly came soon after. Populations and industry increased as steamboats and railroads entered the area. Winona became the main port for shipping wheat from Southern Minnesota and the fourth largest in the United States. Winona’s population increased rapidly making it the third largest city in Minnesota until the end of the nineteenth century. Populations decreased with the drop in the lumber industry. The town is known as the “Island City” because most of it is surrounded by water from the Mississippi River and Lake Winona. Winona is the county seat and largest city in the county. Today Winona is home to approximately 26,785 residents.

CANNON VALLEY TRAIL

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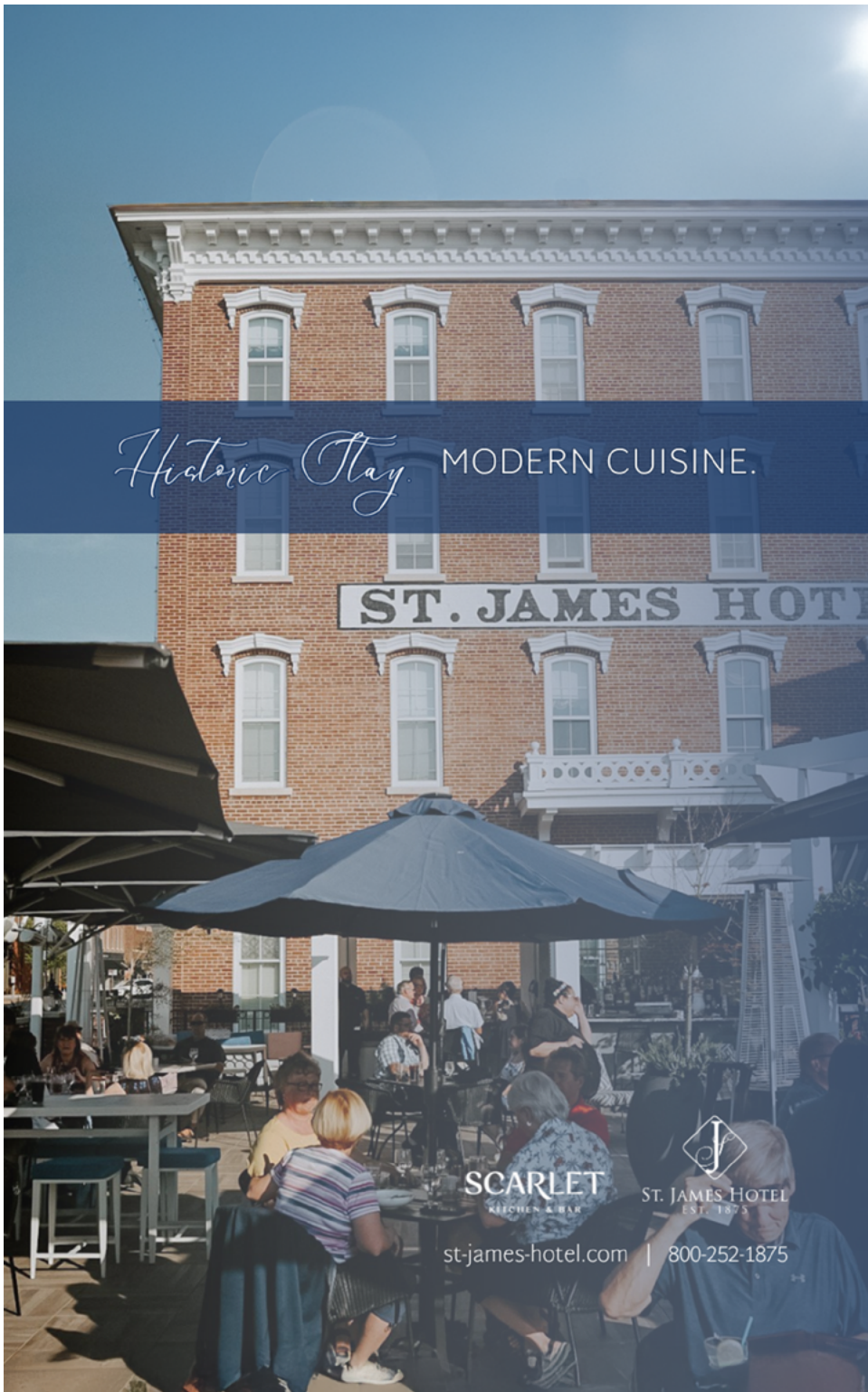
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- ◆ **Wear Blaze Orange!** Being mistaken for a deer, can be deadly
- ◆ **Scout the Area:** Before the hunting season begins, spend time scouting the hunting area. Look for deer signs such as tracks, droppings, rubs, and scrapes
- ◆ **Practice Stealth and Scent Control:** Deer have an excellent sense of smell and can be easily spooked by human scent
- ◆ **Know the Local Regulations and Laws:** Before you head out on your hunting trip, familiarize yourself with the local hunting regulations and laws.

Remember that ethical hunting practices, respect for wildlife, and safety should always be paramount while participating in any hunting activity. Additionally, always make sure to follow local hunting guidelines and regulations to protect the environment and wildlife populations.  **HAPPY HUNTING!**

FISHING SEASONS

INLAND WATERS

Lake Trout

12/30/23 - 03/31/24

Lakes entirely within the BWCA

Lake Trout

01/13/24 - 03/31/24

Lakes partially or completely outside the BWCA

Bullhead

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Burbot (eelpout)

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Channel Catfish

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Cisco (tullibee), whitefish

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Crappie

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Gar

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Other

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Perch

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Rock Bass

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Smelt

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Sunfish

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

White Bass

03/01/24 - 02/28/25

Flathead Catfish

04/01/24 - 11/30/24

Largemouth Bass

05/11/24 - 02/23/25

Northeastern Minnesota

Northern Pike

05/11/24 - 02/23/25

Sauger

05/11/24 - 02/23/25

Smallmouth Bass

05/11/24 - 02/23/25

Northeastern Minnesota

Walleye

05/11/24 - 02/23/25

Largemouth Bass

05/25/24 - 02/28/25,

Statewide except the northeast

Smallmouth Bass

05/25/24 - 09/08/24,

Statewide except the northeast

Sturgeon - catch-and-release

06/16/24 - 04/14/25

Smallmouth Bass - catch-and-release

09/09/24 - 02/23/25,

Statewide except the northeast

**Contact the MN DNR for specific zone information/ dates:*

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(Fishing licenses are effective from March 1 to the last day of February of the following year. A fishing license for the current 2024-25 license year is effective until Feb. 29, 2025.)

ICE FISHING

Find the Perfect Spot

• Trying to figure out where to drill your fishing holes can be tough. A couple ways to make this easier is to buy a map that shows the contour and depth of the lake or look online for a suitable map.

• Before drilling holes, check your map or online for areas with drop-offs, sandbars, mounds of rocks or weed lines. If the first spot you chose to drill holes is not producing any fish, don't sit there and wait. Drill new holes at a new location to find the fish. You may not have to move far, just try new holes at different depths. It's not easy moving all your gear around while drilling holes, but if you want to catch fish you have to find them.

• Early in the ice fishing season, the fish will tend to stay in shallower waters. Later in the season the fish will move to deeper waters. At the end of the season, the fish will start to move into shallower waters again.

• Walleye, sauger and perch tend to hang out near the bottom. Northern pike stay off the bottom while they are in shallow water and stay near the bottom when in deeper waters. Panfish will be at different depths depending on what they are eating. Trout don't sit around: they will be at random depths and areas in the search of food. If you have a fish finder it will make it a lot easier to judge the fish type and depth to set the bait.





HUNTING SEASONS

For general information on firearm safety training call: 1 (888) 646-6367 or (651) 296-6157.

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You can purchase hunting and fishing licenses by phone: 1 (888) 665-4236.

HUNTING

Bear

08/16/24 Baiting start date - Permit areas & no-quota area
09/1/24 - 10/13/24 Permit areas & no-quota area

Deer

09/14/24 - 12/31/24 Archery - Statewide
10/17/24 - 10/20/24 Early Antlerless
10/17/24 - 10/20/24 Youth - Statewide
11/9/24 - 11/24/24 Firearm (Season A) 100 Series permit areas
11/9/24 - 11/17/24 Firearm (Season A) 200 & 300 Series permit areas
11/23/24 - 12/1/24 Firearm (Season B) 300 Series permit areas
11/30/24 - 12/15/24 Muzzleloader - Statewide

Badger

10/19/24 - 03/16/25 North furbearer zone
10/26/24 - 03/16/25 South furbearer zone

Bobcat

12/14/24 - 01/19/25
North of I-94 & U.S. Highway 10



Fox, Gray & Red

10/19/24 - 03/15/25 North furbearer zone
10/19/24 - 03/15/25 South furbearer zone

Opossum

10/19/24 - 03/15/25 North furbearer zone
10/19/24 - 03/15/25 South furbearer zone

Rabbit

09/14/24 - 02/28/25 Jack - Statewide
09/14/24 - 02/28/25 Cottontail & Snowshoe Hare - Statewide

Raccoon

10/19/24 - 03/15/25 North furbearer zone
10/19/24 - 03/15/25 South furbearer zone

Squirrel, Gray & Fox

09/14/24 - 02/28/25 Gray & Fox - Statewide

Grouse

09/14/24 - 01/1/25 Ruffed & Spruce - Statewide
09/21/24 - 12/4/24 Sharp-Tailed - Northwest zone

Pheasant

10/12/24 - 01/1/25 Ring-Necked - Statewide

Wild Turkey

04/17/24 - 05/31/24 Spring - Youth - Statewide
04/17/24 - 05/31/24 Spring - Archery - Statewide
04/17/24 - 04/23/24 Spring - A season - Statewide
04/24/24 - 04/30/24 Spring - B season - Statewide
05/1/24 - 05/7/24 Spring - C season - Statewide
05/8/24 - 05/14/24 Spring - D season - Statewide
05/15/24 - 05/21/24 Spring - E season - Statewide
05/22/24 - 05/31/24 Spring - F season - Statewide
09/28/24 - 10/27/24 Fall - Statewide

TRAPPING

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Boating safety is critical for anyone who operates a boat or spends time on the water. Here are some general boating safety tips to keep in mind:

- **Wear a life jacket:** Always wear a life jacket while boating. Make sure the life jacket is appropriate for your weight and is U.S. Coast Guard approved.
- **Know the weather:** Check the weather forecast before you go boating and keep an eye on changing conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough winds or sudden drops in temperature, get off the water.
- **Use navigation aids:** Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to help you navigate safely.
- **Maintain your boat:** Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and functioning properly.
- **Avoid alcohol:** Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. It is illegal and increases the likelihood of accidents.
- **Watch your speed:** Observe speed limits and maintain a safe speed based on conditions. Remember, slower speeds may be necessary in crowded areas or in inclement weather.
- **Be aware of other boats:** Watch for other boats and be aware of their movements. Always assume other boaters may not see you.
- **Know the rules:** Learn and follow boating safety laws and regulations. This includes rules for navigation, safety equipment, and right-of-way.
- **File a float plan:** Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return. File a float plan with a trusted person or a marina.
- **Take a boating safety course:** Consider taking a boating safety course to improve your skills and knowledge.



By following these general boating safety tips, you can reduce the likelihood of accidents and enjoy a safe and enjoyable time on the water.

YOUR Help is NEEDED!

Do **NOT** Transport Invasive:

- Fish
- Invertebrates
- Aquatic Plants



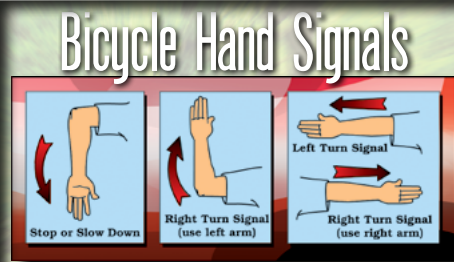
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KNOW THE LAW! YOU MAY NOT...

- TRANSPORT WATERCRAFT WITHOUT REMOVING THE DRAIN PLUG.
- ARRIVE AT LAKE ACCESS WITH DRAIN PLUG IN PLACE.
- TRANSPORT AQUATIC PLANTS, ZEBRA MUSSELS, OR OTHER PROHIBITED SPECIES ON ANY ROADWAY.
- LAUNCH A WATERCRAFT WITH PROHIBITED SPECIES ATTACHED.
- TRANSPORT WATER FROM LAKES OR RIVERS.
- RELEASE BAIT INTO THE WATER.

Be Aware of your Surroundings

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.



Drink lots of Water!



Know Your ATV

Read the owner's manual

- and know your vehicle thoroughly.
- Check your vehicle before you ride.
- Wear protective equipment and clothing.
- Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders.
- Supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider.
- Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions.
- Stay to the right on trails.
- Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands.
- Know the weather forecast.
- Make sure headlights and taillights work properly.
- Maintain safe distances between other riders.
- Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

Snowmobile Hand Signals

Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic. Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.

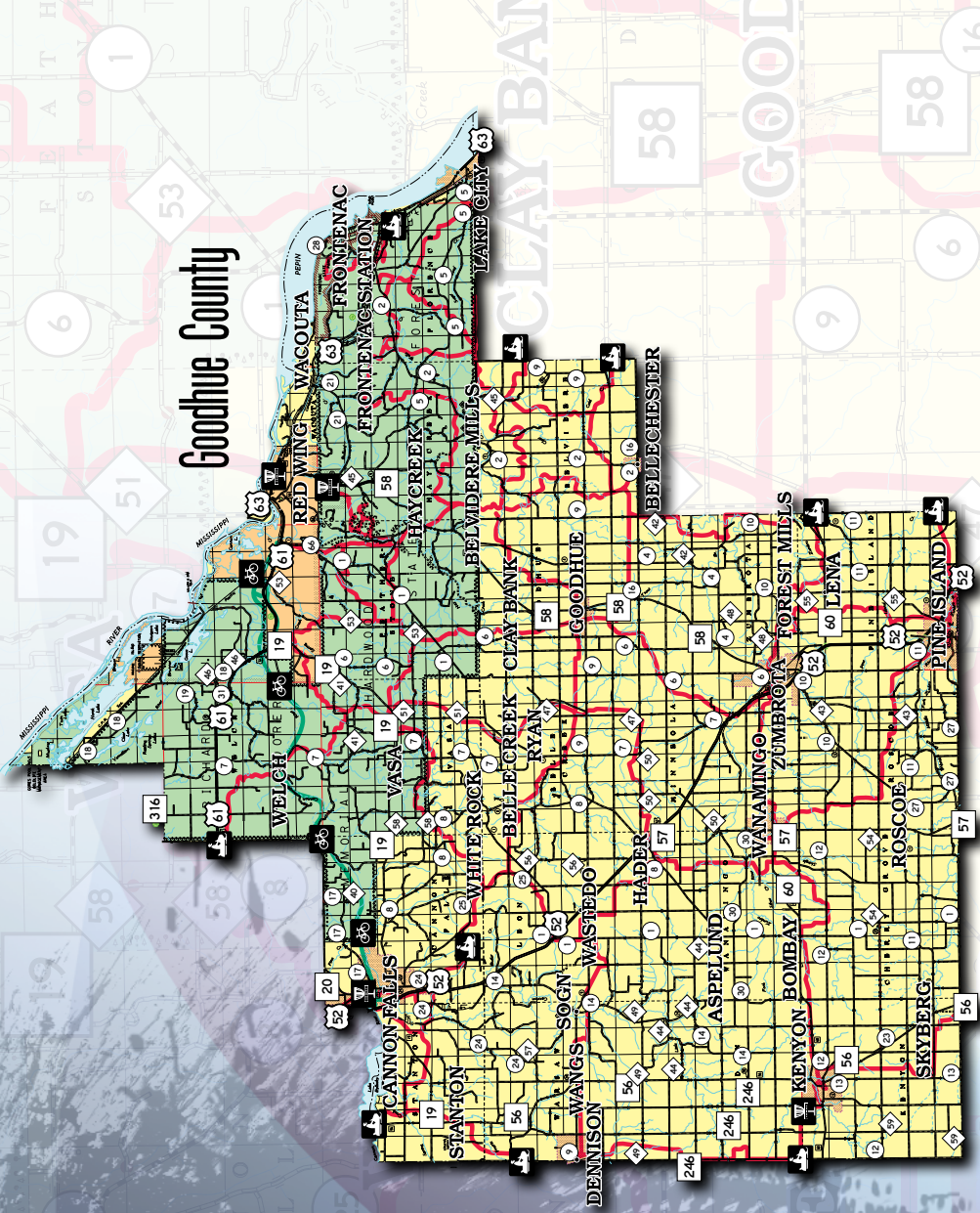


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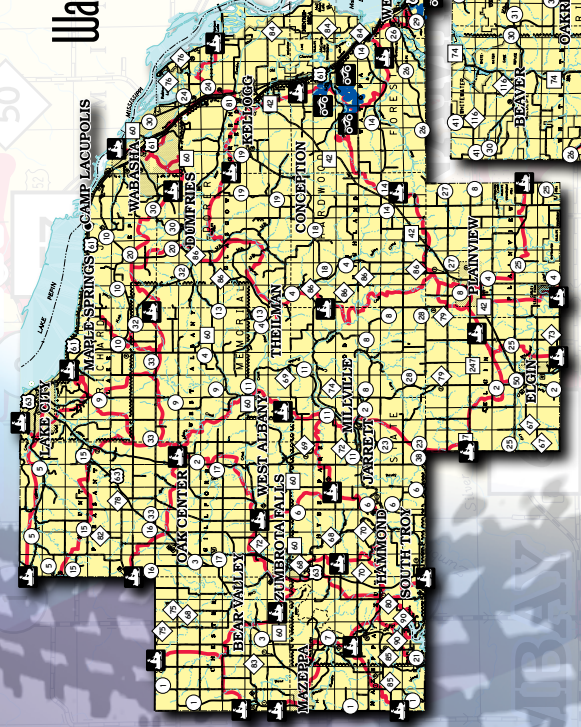
Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATVs on county roads or state highways.

LOCAL AREA TRAILS

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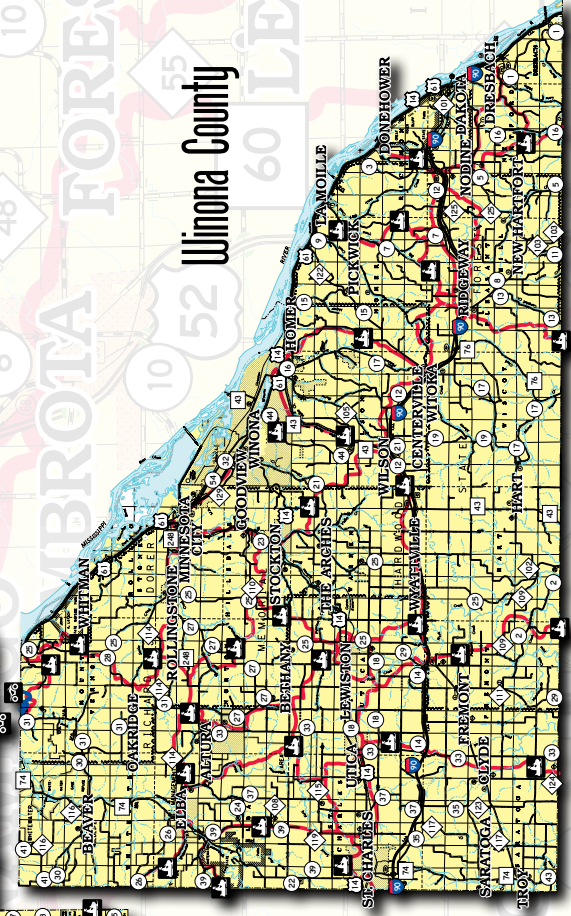


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Health Benefits of the Outdoors



Spending time in nature offers numerous benefits for physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

Stress Reduction: Nature has a calming effect on the mind and body, helping to reduce stress levels. The peaceful surroundings, fresh air, and natural beauty can lower cortisol levels, decrease heart rate, and promote relaxation.

Improved Mental Health: Being in nature is associated with improved mood and mental health. Studies have shown that spending time outdoors can reduce symptoms of anxiety, depression, and other mental health disorders. Nature provides a sense of tranquility and perspective, which can help alleviate negative thoughts and emotions.

Increased Physical Activity: Nature encourages physical activity, whether it's hiking, biking, walking, or simply exploring outdoor spaces. Engaging in outdoor activities promotes exercise, which is essential for maintaining physical health and fitness. Additionally, being in nature often involves exposure to sunlight, which helps the body produce vitamin D and supports overall well-being.

Enhanced Creativity & Cognitive Function: Nature stimulates creativity and cognitive function. Research suggests that spending time in natural environments can improve problem-solving skills, boost creativity, and enhance concentration and focus. Nature provides a rich sensory experience that activates different parts of the brain, fostering cognitive development and innovation.

Connection with the Environment: Spending time in nature fosters a deeper connection with the environment and promotes environmental stewardship. When people experience the beauty and wonder of nature firsthand, they are more likely to develop a sense of appreciation and respect for the natural world. This connection can lead to greater awareness of environmental issues and a desire to protect and preserve natural habitats for future generations.

Overall, being in nature offers a multitude of benefits for both physical and mental well-being, making it essential for maintaining a healthy and balanced lifestyle.

So, You have decided to get a pet... NOW WHAT??

Commitment and Time: Owning a pet is a long-term commitment. Before bringing a pet home, consider your lifestyle and ensure you have enough time to spend with your pet. Dogs, cats, and many other animals require attention, exercise, and mental stimulation.

Choose the Right Pet for Your Lifestyle: Different pets have varying needs, temperaments, and activity levels. Research and select a pet that fits well with your lifestyle, living situation, and family dynamics. Whether you choose a dog, cat, bird, fish, or any other animal, make sure you can provide for its specific needs.

Proper Nutrition: Feed your pet a balanced and nutritious diet suitable for their species and age. Consult with a veterinarian to determine the best food options for your pet's health and well-being.

Regular Exercise: Most pets need regular physical activity to stay healthy and happy. Engage in playtime and exercise with your pet daily, as it helps prevent obesity and provides mental stimulation.

Routine Veterinary Care: Schedule regular check-ups with a veterinarian to monitor your pet's health, get necessary vaccinations, and address any concerns. Early detection of health issues can often lead to better outcomes.

Spaying/Neutering: Consider spaying or neutering your pet if you don't plan on breeding. This helps control the pet population and can have health benefits for your pet.

Training and Socialization: Properly train your pet to follow basic commands and have good manners. Socialize them with other animals and people from a young age to prevent behavioral issues later on.

Provide a Safe Environment: Ensure that your home and yard are safe for your pet. Remove hazards, keep toxic substances out of reach, and provide appropriate shelter from extreme weather conditions.

Grooming: Regular grooming is essential for most pets. Brush their fur, trim nails, and clean their ears as needed to keep them comfortable and healthy.

Identification and Microchipping: Keep identification tags with your current contact information on your pet's collar. Consider microchipping your pet as an extra measure to ensure they can be identified if lost.

Love and Attention: Pets thrive on love and attention from their owners. Spend quality time with your pet, provide affection, and build a strong bond.

Respect and Understanding: Learn to understand your pet's body language and behavior. Respect their boundaries and feelings, and avoid forcing them into uncomfortable situations.



Patience and Forgiveness: Pets, especially young ones, can be mischievous or have accidents. Be patient with them during the training process and forgive any mistakes they make along the way.

Emergency Preparedness: Have a plan in place for emergencies, including natural disasters. Know how to evacuate with your pet safely if needed.

If you have just rescued / adopted a new fur baby, please it is important to remember the 3-3-3 RULE:

3 Days:

In the first 3 days being in its new home, they will be feeling overwhelmed, scared & unsure of what is going on. They may also be uncomfortable being "themselves", and may not want to eat or drink. They may want to "shut down" or hide under a bed or in a crate, and they will test boundaries.

3 Weeks:

At this point, they may be a lot more comfortable & settling in. Learning a new routine can be overwhelming, so please be patient. By now they may have figured out the new environment & accepted that this may be their FURever home. Their personality traits will start to show, as well as any behavior issue that may be present.

3 Months:

For most fur babies, 3 months is enough time to finally be comfortable and begin to build trust and a true bond. A sense of security may be present & a set routine will help this process.

Please know that this is not the rule with every rescued or adopted pet, as some may need 6 months to a year to adjust & adapt, depending on MANY factors. Age of animal, what type of an environment did they come from?

DOG PARKS

Cannon Falls Dog Park

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Red Wing Dog Park

480 Nymphara Ln. |

Red Wing

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Winona Dog Park

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Winona

(507) 457-8258



CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

Cross country skiing is a great way to stay in shape throughout winter. It provides an excellent aerobic exercise while also strengthening your legs, arms and core muscles. During a classic cross country skiing adventure you can burn around 600 calories per hour while traveling at around 3mph. On top of the health benefits, it's fun to do and lets you get outside to enjoy the snowy months.

There are two main types of cross country skiing, classic and skate. Classic is more traditional and involves pushing off each ski parallel to one another. Skate skiing requires pushing off each ski in a V pattern like ice-skating.

If you are just learning, you may want to start off on some of the easier trails in your area. These trails tend to be maintained better and have smaller hills.

Before investing money into equipment, check your area for trails with a rental shop. That way you can give it a try to see if it is a winter activity you enjoy.



Skate Style



Classic Style



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