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Grant County



Crawford County



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Grant County was named in honor of James Grant, a local fur trader who traveled the river. Rolling prairies, ample timber, fertile soil and mineral deposits attracted settlers and early industry was led by agriculture and mining. Residents raised wheat and corn and mined copper, lead and zinc.

Lancaster was selected as the county seat due to its central location and railroad expansion and the advancement of steamboat travel allowed for dramatic growth. The population of Grant County grew from 2,763 in 1838 to 14,016 in 1847 and the area continued to develop. Today Grant County is home to approximately 48,965 residents.

CITIES:

PLATTEVILLE – pop. 11,224

LANCASTER (county seat) – pop. 3,868

FENNIMORE – pop. 2,500

BOSCOBEL – pop. 3,231

CUBA CITY – pop. 2,086

CENSUS-DESIGNATED PLACES:

GLEN HAVEN – pop. 73

KIELER – pop. 497

SANDY HOOK – pop. 185

TOWNS:

BLUE RIVER – pop. 437

BLOOMINGTON – pop. 735

BAGLEY – pop. 400

HAZEL GREEN – pop. 1,200

DICKEYVILLE – pop. 1058

CASSVILLE – pop. 947

LIVINGSTON – pop. 664

MONTFORT – pop. 718

MT. HOPE – pop. 225

MUSCODA – pop. 1,299

PATCH GROVE – pop. 198

WOODMAN – pop. 132

POTOSI – pop. 688

**Populations are approximate.*

CUBA CITY

Cuba City is located across two counties in Wisconsin. The residents of Cuba City are mainly located in Grant County, but a portion is also located in Lafayette County. Although the history of the city begins in 1836 with the American Government's acquisition of 160 acres, Jack Deboard is considered to be the first settler of Cuba City in 1846. Originally called "Yuba City," the name was changed to "Cuba City" when it was discovered there was already another town by the name of Yuba.

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FENNIMORE

Fennimore was named after John Fennimore, a farmer who disappeared during the Black Hawk War. The Black Hawk War was a quick conflict in 1832, between the United States and Native Americans. Fennimore is surrounded by hills and valleys and is often referred to as the Driftless Area.

LANCASTER (COUNTY SEAT)

Called "The City of the Dome," after the octagonal courthouse constructed of glass and copper built in 1905. Lancaster was home of Wisconsin's first governor Nelson Dewey. It was originally laid out in 1837 by Major G.M. Price, a land speculator, and named after Lancaster, PA.

PLATTEVILLE

Platteville is named after the adjacent, Platte River. Originally a small farming and fur trading community, the area saw a mining boom in the 1820's due to the discovery of lead ore. It is home to the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. The school started as the Wisconsin Mining Trade School, then the Wisconsin State College and Institute of Technology, becoming a branch of UW in 1971. UW-Platteville is known for its engineering and criminal justice programs.



Established in 1818, Crawford County was named in honor of William Crawford, treasurer for President James Monroe and the county was one of the first three counties organized by Governor Lewis Cass. Ample timber, fertile soil and its proximity to water attracted settlers and early industry was led by agriculture and lumbering. Residents farmed wheat, harvested pine and the discovery of copper and lead continued to draw settlers. Prairie du Chien was selected as the county seat and railroad expansion along with improved river travel allowed for growth. The population of Crawford County grew from 692 in 1830 to 1,409 in 1850 and the area continued to develop. Today Crawford County is home to approximately 16,731 residents.

CITIES & VILLAGES:

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN (county seat) – pop. 5,911

BELL CENTER – pop. 117

EASTMAN – pop. 428

FERRYVILLE – pop. 176

GAYS MILLS – pop. 491

LYNXVILLE – pop. 132

MOUNT STERLING – pop. 211

SOLDIERS GROVE – pop. 592

STEUBEN – pop. 131

TOWNS:

BRIDGEPORT – pop. 946

CLAYTON – pop. 956

EASTMAN (TOWN) – pop. 790

FREEMAN – pop. 719

HANEY – pop. 309

MARIETTA – pop. 510

SCOTT – pop. 503

SENECA – pop. 893

UTICA – pop. 674

WAUZEKA – pop. 711

**Populations are approximate.*

GAYS MILLS

The village of Gays Mills is named after James B. Gay, John Gay, and Thomas Gay. James B. Gay was the first of the brothers to build a dam and a sawmill on the Kickapoo River in 1847. The Gay brothers were native to Indiana, but in 1865 as James' health was failing, he convinced his brothers to move to the area. John Gay built the first flour mill in 1865, and Thomas Gay and his family founded the first Congregational Church in 1872.

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN (COUNTY SEAT)

Prairie du Chien was originally established by French explorers in the late seventeenth century as a European settlement. The Fox Indians occupied the area at the time. The chief's name was Alim or Chien in French, which translates to Dog in English. Located near the confluence of the Wisconsin and Mississippi Rivers, it is located at a strategic point along the Fox-Wisconsin Waterway that connects the Great Lakes with the Mississippi.

SOLDIERS GROVE

Soldiers Grove was first settled by Joseph H. Brightman in 1856. Brightman established a sawmill in the area that would later be known as Soldiers Grove, on Kickapoo River. The area was originally called Pine Grove, but the name was changed to Soldiers Grove in 1867 to honor the troops that camped in the area during the Black Hawk War. The town has had a tumultuous history with the Kickapoo River. The inhabitants of Soldiers Grove have relied on the Kickapoo for timber rafting and hydropower, but they have also suffered from several serious episodes of flooding throughout the history of the town.

GRANT COUNTY AREA EVENTS

JANUARY

Kickapoo Valley Reserve Winter Fest | La Farge
Chaseburg Snowtrailers Trail Days Parade
The After Holiday Party | Cassville

FEBRUARY

Snow Fest | Cassville
Holistic Wellness Fair | Lancaster

MARCH

Treasure Hunt | Cassville
St. Patrick's Day Parade | Cuba City

APRIL

Annual Taste of Fennimore

MAY

Cassville Ferry Begins Operation (May-Sept)
City Wide Garage Sales | Lancaster, Fennimore
Farmer's Market | Cassville
Annual Morel Mushroom Festival | Muscoda
Memorial Day Service/Parade | Fennimore

JUNE

Fun Fest | Fennimore
Power Pull Weekend | Cuba City
Brew and Blues | Lancaster
True Light Fun Run | Boscobel

JULY

Thunder in the Valley | Bagley
Wisconsin River Trails C Banquet | Boscobel
4th of July Fireworks | Boscobel
Annual Fennimore Chamber Chicken BBQ & Community Awards
Hometown Festival Week | Platteville
Southwest Music Festival | Platteville

AUGUST

Jamestown Park Fish Fry
Grant County Fair | Lancaster
Firemen's Catfish Festival | Potosi
Blue River Autumn Fest | Blue River
Potosi Brewery Brewfest | Potosi
Community Picnic | Kieler

SEPTEMBER

Annual Car Cruise | Cassville
Cassville Park Preservation Party
St. Charles Fall Festival | Cassville
St. Francis de Sales Famous Fall Festival | Hazel Green
Fall Harvest Celebration | Montfort
Dairy Days Celebration | Platteville
Fall City Wide Garage Sales | Fennimore

OCTOBER

Spooktacular | Fennimore
Annual Flea Market & Beer Show | Potosi
Safe & Spooky Halloween | Cassville
Trunk or Treat | Fennimore

NOVEMBER

Holiday Fen-stival | Fennimore
Small Business Saturday | Cuba City
Back Home for Christmas | Tennyson
Christmas in Cassville
Reindeer Run 5K, 1 mile, and 1/2 mile Run/Walk | Fennimore

DECEMBER

Christmas Glow Parade | Cuba City
Christmas Fest | Boscobel

**Events are subject to change.*

CRAWFORD COUNTY AREA EVENTS

FEBRUARY

Annual Fisheree | Prairie du Chien
Sweetheart Pancake Breakfast | Ferryville, Prairie du Chien

MARCH

Bald Eagle Day | Ferryville
St. Patrick's Day Parade | Prairie du Chien
Prohibition Dinner/Dance | Prairie du Chien

APRIL

City Wide Garage Sales | Prairie du Chien
Quilt the Day Away | Prairie du Chien

MAY

Spring Bird Migration Hike | Ferryville
Live Music (may-Sept) | Prairie du Chien
Rummage Along the River | Ferryville

JUNE

Crawford County Dairy Festival
Free Summer Concerts in the Park (Jun-Aug) | Prairie du Chien
Annual Prairie Villa Rendezvous | Prairie du Chien
Chautauqua Summer Series (Jun-Aug) | Ferryville

JULY

Chamber of Commerce Annual Fireworks | Prairie du Chien
War of 1812 Reenactment | Prairie du Chien
Prairie Dog Blues Festival | Prairie du Chien
4th of July Fireworks Celebration | Gays Mills, Prairie du Chien, Eastman
Riverbluff Daze | Ferryville
Wings Over Prairie du Chien
Charlie Everts Memorial Youth Fishing Derby | Prairie du Chien

AUGUST

Smokey Bear's Annual Birthday Bash | Bagley
Crawford County Fair | Gays Mills
Crazy Days | Prairie du Chien
Harvest Fest | Prairie du Chien

SEPTEMBER

Annual Villa Louis Carriage Classic | Prairie du Chien
Driftless Area Art Festival | Soldiers Grove
Fall Fest | Ferryville
Gays Mills Apple Festival | Gays Mills
Trojan Pride Color Run | Gays Mills

OCTOBER

Oktoberfest | Prairie du Chien
City Wide Garage Sales | Prairie du Chien
Shihata's Orchard Fest | Prairie du Chien

NOVEMBER

Holiday Craft & Gift Fair | Prairie du Chien
Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot | Prairie du Chien
Christmas Tree Lighting | Ferryville

DECEMBER

Holiday Parade | Prairie du Chien
Christmas at the Fort | Prairie du Chien
Carp Fest | Prairie du Chien
Holiday Market | Ferryville
Christmas Market & Craft Event | Prairie du Chien

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4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts

Salt and pepper

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 tablespoon butter

1/2 cup chicken broth

1/2 cup heavy cream

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

2 teaspoons dried dill weed

1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1** Season the chicken breasts with salt and pepper on both sides.
- 2** Heat the olive oil and butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat.
- 3** Add the chicken breasts to the skillet and cook for 6-7 minutes on each side, until browned and cooked through. Remove the chicken from the skillet and set aside.
- 4** Pour the chicken broth into the skillet and use a spatula to scrape up any browned bits from the bottom of the pan.
- 5** Stir in the heavy cream, Dijon mustard, and dried dill weed. Bring the mixture to a simmer and cook for 2-3 minutes, stirring frequently, until the sauce has thickened.
- 6** Return the chicken breasts to the skillet and spoon the sauce over the top. Allow the chicken to cook in the sauce for an additional 1-2 minutes, until the chicken is heated through.
- 7** Sprinkle chopped fresh parsley over the top of the chicken before serving.

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Stevens Ave. | Platteville

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INDIAN PARK

N 4th St. Platteville

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KLONDIKE PARK

Klondyke Ln. | North Lancaster

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KNOLL WOOD PARK

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MOUND VIEW PARK & CAMPGROUND

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Schreiner Park Road | Lancaster

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SHERMAN PARK

Bayley Ave. | Platteville

Sherman Park features a memorial and picnic tables.

SKATE PARK

620 E Main St. | Platteville

Skate Park features a skate park & bike trail

VALLEY VIEW PARK

S Hickory St. | Platteville

Valley View Park features baseball/softball field, basketball courts, picnic tables, playground, restroom and a shelter.

WESTVIEW PARK

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HUNTING SEASONS

DEER

Archery and Crossbow

Sept. 16–Jan. 7, 2024

Archery and Crossbow *Metro Sub-units only*

Sept. 16–Jan. 31, 2024

Gun hunt for hunters with disabilities: This is not a statewide season. ~ Oct. 7–15, 2023

Youth deer hunt ~ Oct. 7–8, 2023

Gun ~ Nov. 18–26, 2023

Muzzleloader ~ Nov. 27–Dec. 6, 2023

December 4-day antlerless hunt ~

Dec. 7–10, 2023

Antlerless-only Holiday Hunt ~

Dec. 24, 2023–Jan. 1, 2024*

*Only in valid farmland units. Please see deer regulations booklet for valid units.

BEAR

Zones A, B, D: where dogs are permitted

Sept. 6–12, 2023

with aid of dogs only

Sept. 13–Oct. 3, 2023

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with aid of bait

with all other legal methods

Oct. 4–10, 2023

with aid of bait only

with all other legal methods not using dogs

Zones C, E, F: where dogs are not permitted

Sept. 6–Oct. 10, 2023

with aid of bait

with all other legal methods not using dogs

SMALL MAMMALS

Cottontail rabbit

Northern zone ~ Sept. 16–Feb. 29, 2024

Southern zone ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Feb. 29, 2024

Milwaukee County ~ Year-round

Squirrels (gray and fox)

Statewide ~ Sept. 16–Feb. 29, 2024

GAME BIRDS

Crow

*To be determined

Pheasant

Statewide ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Jan. 7, 2024

Bobwhite quail

Statewide ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Dec. 6

Ruffed grouse

Zone A ~ Sept. 16–Jan. 7, 2024

Zone B ~ Oct. 14–Dec. 8

Sharp-tailed grouse ~ Season is under review.

Hungarian partridge

Statewide ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Jan. 7, 2024

(Closed in Clark, Marathon and Taylor counties)

FURBEARERS

Coyote

Hunting ~ Continuous open season

Trapping ~ Oct. 14 – Feb. 15, 2024

Fox, red and gray

Hunting ~ Oct. 14 – Feb. 15, 2024

Trapping ~ Oct. 14 – Feb. 15, 2024

Beaver

Trapping

Zone A (northwest) ~ Nov. 4 – April 30, 2024

Zone B (northeast) ~ Nov. 4 – April 30, 2024

Zone C (south) ~ Nov. 4 – March 31, 2024

Zone D (Mississippi River) ~ Day after the duck season closes March 15, 2024

Muskrat & Mink

Trapping

Northern Zone ~ Oct. 21 – April 15, 2024

Central Zone ~ Oct. 28 – March 27, 2024

Southern Zone ~ Nov. 4 – March 15, 2024

Mississippi River zone ~ Nov. 13 – March 10, 2024

Bobcat

Hunting & Trapping

Period 1 ~ Oct. 14–Dec. 25

Period 2 ~ Dec. 26–Jan. 31, 2024

Fisher

Trapping

Various Zones ~ Oct. 14–Jan. 7, 2024

FURBEARERS (CONTD)

Otter

Trapping

North zone ~ Nov. 4–Apr. 30, 2024

South zone ~ Nov. 4–Mar. 31, 2024

Raccoon

Hunting & Trapping

Resident ~ Oct. 14–Feb. 15, 2024

Non-resident ~ Oct. 28–Feb. 15, 2024

Opossum, skunk, weasel, snowshoe hare and woodchuck ~ No season limits, bag limits, size limits or possession limits, but a license is required.

WILD TURKEY

2023 Youth turkey hunt ~ April 15–16

Spring 2023

Period A ~ April 19–25

Period B ~ April 26–May 2

Period C ~ May 3–9

WILD TURKEY (CONTD)

Period D ~ May 10–16

Period E ~ May 17–23

Period F ~ May 24–30

Fall 2023

Statewide Sept. 16–Nov. 17




Zones 1–5 ~ Nov. 18–Jan. 7, 2024

**Dates are subject to change please contact your local DNR office for specific hunting and trapping zone regulations. For general information on fire-arm safety training call: 1 (888) 936-7463.*

**At the time of publication not all 2024 season dates were available. Check the WI DNR website for updates or scan the QR code.*
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2024-2025 FISHING SEASON DATES

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Early Inland Trout (catch & release)

January 6 (5 a.m.) - May 3

General Inland Trout

May 4 (5 a.m.) - October 15

General Inland Fishing

May 4 - March 2, 2025

Largemouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest

May 4 - March 2, 2025

Smallmouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest

June 15 - March 2, 2025

Large And Smallmouth Bass Southern Zone Harvest

May 4 - March 2, 2025

Large And Smallmouth Bass Catch And Release

At all other times of the year.

Musky Northern Zone Harvest

May 25 - December 31

Musky Southern Zone Harvest

May 4 - December 31

Northern Pike

May 4 - March 2, 2025

Walleye

May 4 - March 2, 2025

Lake Sturgeon

February 10 - February 25 (spearing)
September 7 to September 30 (hook-and-line)

Free Fishing Weekends

Jan. 20-21, 2024

June 1-2, 2024

Sept. 2 to Sept. 30 (hook-and-line)

**Contact the Wisconsin DNR for more information on specific fishing zones and dates:*

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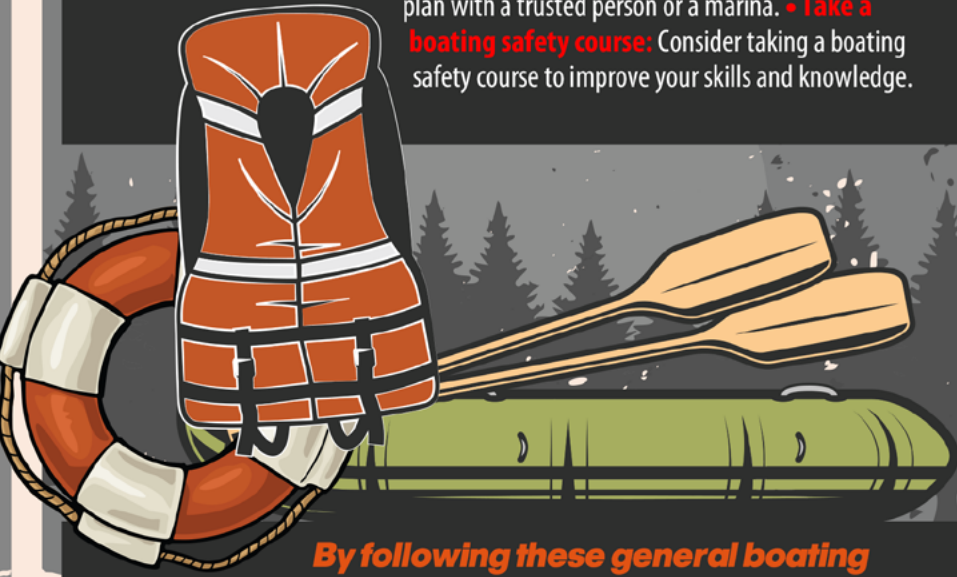
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- **Use navigation aids:** Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to help you navigate safely.
- **Maintain your boat:** Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and functioning 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.
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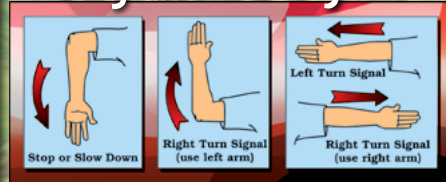


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Be Aware of your Surroundings

- 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.

Bicycle Hand Signals



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Know Your ATV

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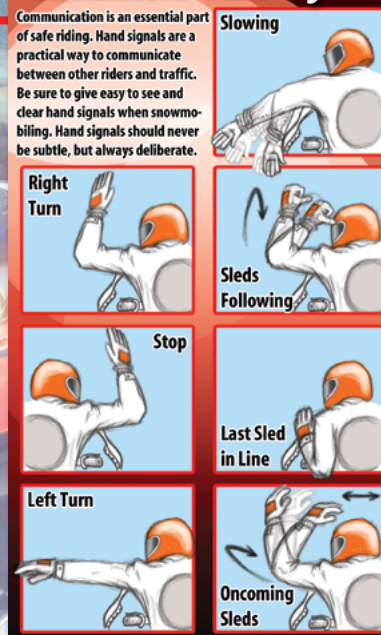
and know your vehicle thoroughly. • Check your vehicle before you ride. • Wear protective equipment and clothing. • Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders. • Supervise young or inexperienced riders. • Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider. • Do not operate under the influence of 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

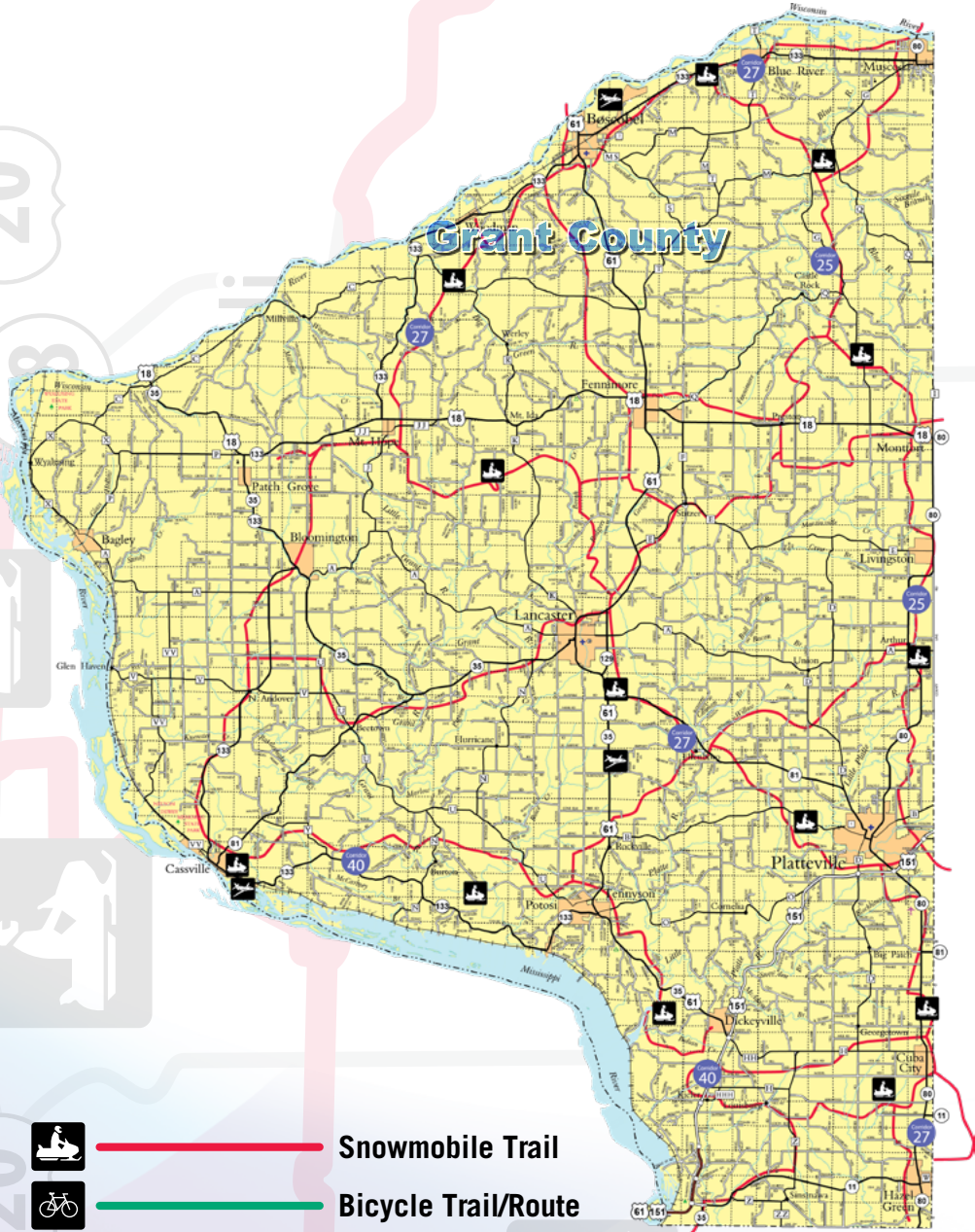
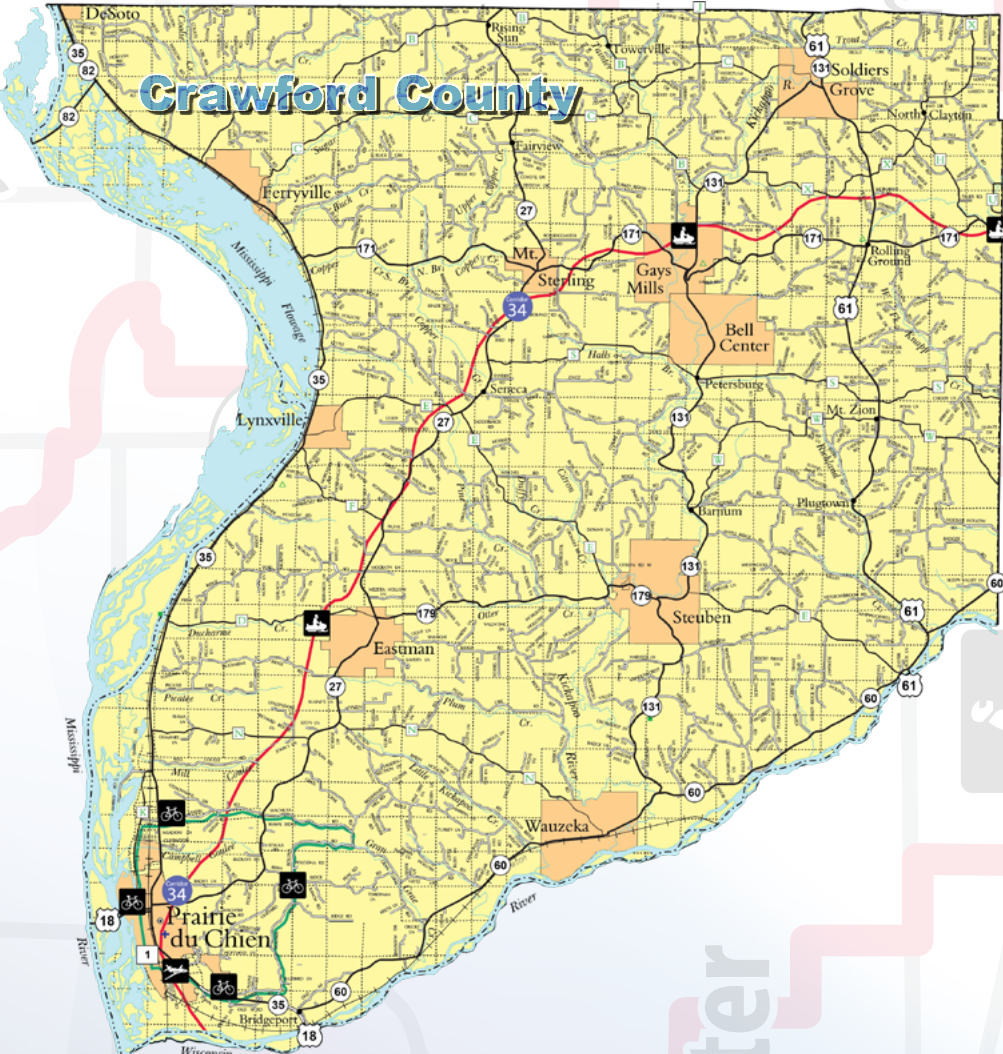
Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic. Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.



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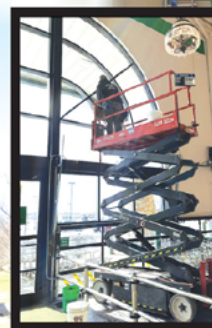
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Choose the Right Pet for Your Lifestyle: Different pets have varying needs, temperaments, and activity levels. Research and select a pet that fits well with your lifestyle, living situation, and family dynamics. Whether you choose a dog, cat, bird, 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?

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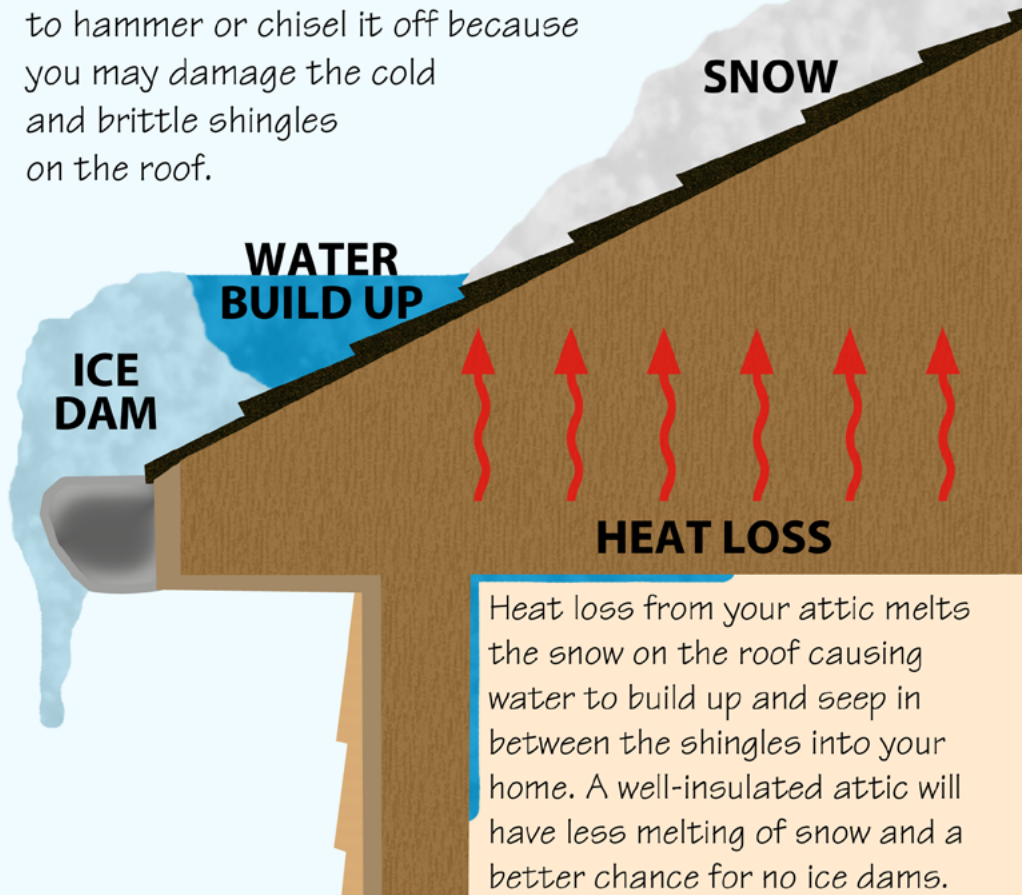
ICE DAMS

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE & HOW THEY FORM

Make sure to clear the snow from the lower edges of your home. This is mainly where ice dams form.

To keep snow and ice from building up on your roof, use a roof rake to pull it off or heating cables to melt it off.

If you already have an ice dam and it's leaking in the house you may need to call a professional with a steamer to get rid of it. It's not a good idea to hammer or chisel it off because you may damage the cold and brittle shingles on the roof.



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