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Wildwood Zoo Announces the Passing of Star, Beloved Mountain Lion

Official information from the City of Marshfield

MARSHFIELD, Wis., Monday, April 20, 2026 — Wildwood Zoo Announces the Passing of Star, Beloved Mountain Lion.

The City of Marshfield Parks & Recreation Department announces with deep sadness the passing of Star, the resident mountain lion at Wildwood Zoo. Star was 17 years old at the time of her death and considered extremely geriatric for her species. She would have celebrated her 18th birthday this June, an age few mountain lions reach, either

in 2008, with her brother Thunder, who passed approximately two years ago. In recent weeks, animal care staff observed changes in her behavior, including a decreased appetite and lower activity levels. Out of an abundance of caution, a comprehensive veterinary examination was scheduled.

During the exam, while under anesthesia, Star did very well, and her x-rays showed regular function and promise. Her blood tests ran fine except for a high white cell count. We treated her with antibiotics and waited for her to improve. Unfortunately, she did not, refusing her diet and medication over several days. Given her advanced age and underlying health concerns, the difficult but compassionate decision was



in the wild or under human care.

Star had been a cherished member of the Wildwood Zoo family for many years, admired by visitors and staff alike for her quiet strength and dignified presence. She arrived at our park back

made to humanely euthanize her. This decision was guided by a commitment to her quality of life and to prevent further distress or suffering.

Like many senior animals, Star had several age-related conditions that had



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been carefully managed over time, including arthritis and declining organ function. Despite these challenges, she continued to enjoy her days in familiar ways—resting in sunny spots, purring and squeaking at her neighbors, and engaging with enrichment provided by her caretakers.

Star's longevity is a testament to the dedicated care she received throughout her life at Wildwood Zoo. While her loss is deeply felt, the staff takes some comfort in knowing she lived a long and well-supported life. A comment from Zoo Manager, Kyle Kirk, "Like a lot of you, I grew up with Star. I was eight years old the first time I'd seen her, and no doubt she's had a large impact on the trajectory of my life. We remain resolute in our dedication to providing an environment where that kind of connection between humans and animals can happen. Her service as ambassador to her species and to our community will be sorely missed".

The Parks & Recreation Department extends its gratitude to the community for its continued support during this challenging time. Star will be remembered for her grace, resilience, and the lasting impression she made on all who had the opportunity to see her.

Kohlbeck signs with Augustana to continue basketball career

MARSHFIELD, Wis. — Jack Kohlbeck, a senior at Columbus Catholic High School, signed a National Letter of Intent on Wednesday to play basketball at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois.

The signing ceremony was held at the Columbus Catholic Fieldhouse and attended by family members, teammates, coaches and classmates.

Kohlbeck said Augustana's program stood out during his college search.

"I am so grateful to have the opportunity to continue my basketball career at Augustana College," he said. "Augustana's style of play, program and culture is exactly what I was looking for. I appreciate all the love and support I've received from my coaches, teammates and family along the way."

Columbus Catholic coach Joe Konieczny said Kohlbeck made a strong impact on the program.

"Jack has had a tremendous impact on our team as a player and as a leader," Konieczny said. "He has a unique set of skills, and I am excited to see how they will translate at the next level. He has worked hard to earn this opportunity. Augustana is getting a quality basketball player and an even better student and human being."

Kohlbeck's parents said they are proud of his accomplishments and look forward to his future.

"We are incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication Jack has shown both on and off the court, and we're thrilled that he has found a place where he can continue to grow as a person and player," they said.

Kohlbeck also credited Columbus Catholic for shaping his development.

"Columbus is the place where I fell in love with the game," he said. "This school gave me a place where I could grow as a student, person and athlete, and I will forever be grateful for the opportunities I was given there."

Athletic director Lori Wieland also spoke at the event, which concluded with photos of Kohlbeck alongside family and teammates.



Kohlbeck was a two-year varsity player and a member of the school's state championship team as a sophomore. He helped lead Columbus Catholic to back-to-back conference titles in 2025 and 2026 and was part of teams that reached sectional competition. He also earned Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Academic All-State honors in 2025 and 2026.

Kohlbeck plans to study kinesiology at Augustana while competing for the Vikings men's basketball team.

Marshfield Now! Announces New Faith-Based Program "Made New Recovery"

By David Murchland - Marshfield Now!

MARSHFIELD — Marshfield Now! is introducing a new original program aimed at bringing hope and spiritual encouragement to viewers: Made New Recovery, a faith-based series hosted by Paul Kaetterhenry, founder of Different Ministry.

Produced by a new local content creator in cooperation with Marshfield Now!

and Marshfield Broadcasting, the show represents a growing effort to highlight community-driven programming with a meaningful impact.

The series centers on Kaetterhenry's personal journey of overcoming decades of addiction through his faith in Jesus Christ. After years of struggling with alcohol and substance abuse, he now shares his testimony to help others find freedom and healing through a relationship with God.

Made New Recovery explores addiction as both a physical and spiritual battle, offering viewers encouragement, biblical insight, and real-life testimonies. The program is designed not only for those struggling with addiction, but also for families, friends, and anyone seeking a message of renewal and purpose.



A featured segment of the show, "Build a Stage Productions: Meet the Artist," highlights contemporary Christian musicians through in-depth interviews. Rather than focusing solely on music, the segment dives into each artist's personal story—examining their struggles, faith journey, and how their experiences shape their work and ministry. These conversations emphasize themes of redemption, identity, and the role of faith in overcoming life's challenges.

By combining recovery-focused discussions with faith-driven storytelling, the program aims to connect with a broad audience and extend its mission beyond the screen. The show also promotes community engagement through events, concerts,

and recovery-centered outreach.

Made New Recovery will air on Marshfield Now! as part of the station's ongoing commitment to local programming that informs, inspires, and uplifts the community.

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Common Council Holds Organizational Meeting

The Marshfield Common Council held its organizational meeting on April 21, following the recent election and transition to the new term.



City Clerk Jessica Schiferl administered the oath of office to newly elected and re-elected officials. The Council also confirmed Mayor Nick Poeschel's appointments of Common Council members to City committees, boards, and commissions.

Mayor Poeschel also presented citizen appointments to several committees, boards, and commissions. Final action on those appointments is scheduled for the April 28 Common Council meeting.

Candidates were also introduced for openings on the Ethics Board and

Marshfield Utilities Commission, with final action on those items also scheduled for April 28.

Cast with a Cop Returns June 19 at Hamus Park

The Marshfield Police Department's P.E.A.C.E. program will host the 2nd Annual Cast with a Cop on Friday, June 19, from 10 a.m. to noon at Hamus Park.

The event is designed to introduce youth to police officers and fishing in a relaxed, community setting. No fishing experience is required. Fishing poles will be provided, or participants may bring their own.

Check-in begins at 9:45 a.m. Participants will receive a free tackle box and T-shirt. The event is open to youth ages 8 to 15 and is limited to 20 participants.

Wildwood Park & Zoo BioBlitz Runs April 22 through May 23

Wildwood Park & Zoo is inviting the public to help record as many species as possible during the Wildwood Park & Zoo BioBlitz, running April 22 through May 23, 2026.

Participants can help identify birds,

bugs, plants, animals, and other signs of biodiversity throughout Wildwood Park & Zoo. The information collected will help document the variety of species found in the park and zoo area.

To participate, download the free iNaturalist app and search for the Wildwood Park and Zoo BioBlitz project. Observations can be submitted through the app during the event period. Anyone can participate, whether they are experienced with nature identification or simply curious about the outdoors.

Wildwood Park & Zoo will also host informational sessions at the Welcome Center on April 22 and April 25 at 11 a.m. to help participants learn more about the BioBlitz and how to use iNaturalist.

The BioBlitz is free, open to the public, and available for all ages.

New Scoreboard Installed at Hackman Baseball Complex

A new scoreboard has been installed at Hackman Baseball Complex, replacing the previous one and offering enhanced features for players, teams, and fans.

The City of Marshfield thanks Post 54 Legion Baseball for its support of this project. Their assistance helped make the scoreboard upgrade possible and continues to support the quality of local



baseball facilities in Marshfield.

Residents are encouraged to stop by, attend a game, and see the new scoreboard in use this season.

Shirley’s House of Hope’s

By Angie H

(SHOH) “Run for Hope” was held on Saturday, April 25th, 2026 at 9:00am at the Wildwood Park Pavilion.

Shirley’s House of Hope is a Christian shelter for women who are experiencing



domestic violence along with drug and alcohol addiction.

At Run for Hope, the competition is not for the fastest completion time! Instead, runners will be competing to see who can raise the most support from their friends and family.

Their goal was to make 57,000. And at the end of the event, it was recorded that they made \$47,000.

Council Preview: April 28 Common Council Meeting

The Marshfield Common Council will meet on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 207 W. 6th Street.

The agenda includes presentations on the Business Development Director’s first-quarter activity report from the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce (MACCI), a Frey Court subdivision proposal, and Marshfield Utilities’ behind-the-meter solar projects.

Council will also consider second readings of ordinances related to subdivision and platting, and solid waste disposal and recycling. The consent agenda includes recommended actions from the April 21 Board of Public Works meeting, including vehicle purchases, final special assessments, a policy revision, and authorization to solicit bids for the Wildwood Plaza renovation.

The meeting will also include consideration of candidates and appointments to City boards, commissions, and committees, along with a closed session related to the TID 10 transfer restriction.

Drug Take Back Day Scheduled for April 25

The City of Marshfield is reminding residents that Drug Take Back Day will take place on Saturday, April 25, 2026, providing a safe, convenient, and confidential way to dispose of unused or expired medications.

Improper disposal of medications can pose risks to public health, safety, and the environment. This event helps ensure medications are handled responsibly.

Drop-off location and time include:

- Marshfield City Hall – 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Hosted by Marshfield Police Department

Residents are encouraged to:

- Remove or black out personal information on prescription labels
- Bring medications in their original containers
- Place pills in a sealed bag or container if preferred

This event is organized in partnership with Healthy People Wood County, IMPACT, and the Marshfield Area Coalition for Youth (MACY).

Year-round disposal options are also available at permanent drop box locations throughout Wisconsin.

The City encourages all residents to take advantage of this opportunity to safely dispose of medications and help protect the community.

City Employment Opportunities

The City accepts online applications only for positions currently posted. Should you have any questions about the application process, please call the Human Resources Department at 715-387-6597 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. and noon on Friday, or send an email inquiry to the Human Resources Department.

Available:

- Volleyball Official (Seasonal Parks and Rec)
- Firefighter / Paramedic
- Program Director (Seasonal Parks and Rec)
- Street Maintenance Worker (Seasonal)
- Program Instructor (Seasonal Parks and Rec)

Producers Channel 989								
	Monday 4-27-2026	Tuesday 4-28-2026	Wednesday 4-29-2026	Thursday 4-30-2026	Friday 5-1-2026	Saturday 5-2-2026	Sunday 5-3-2026	Monday 5-4-2026
12:30:00 AM								
1:00:00 AM						Chiller Night Theatre	Chiller Night Theatre	
1:30:00 AM								
2:00:00 AM	Producers Pick	Producers Pick	Producers Pick	Producers Pick	Producers Pick			Producers Pick
2:30:00 AM								
3:00:00 AM						Lord Blood Rabs Theatre	Lord Blood Rabs Theatre	
3:30:00 AM								
4:00:00 AM	Science Series	Science 360	Science Series	Science 360	Science Series			Science Series
4:30:00 AM								
5:00:00 AM						Science 360	Science 360	
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6:00:00 AM	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka
6:30:00 AM	Get Healthy With Holly	Get Healthy With Holly	Food For Thought	Get Healthy With Holly	Get Healthy With Holly	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Get Healthy With Holly
7:00:00 AM	Yoga For Health	Yoga For Health	Yoga For Health	Yoga For Health	Yoga For Health	Lights, Camera, Polka	1st Presbyterian	Yoga For Health
7:30:00 AM	Daceys Divas	Daceys Divas	Daceys Divas	Daceys Divas	Daceys Divas	Lights, Camera, Polka		Daceys Divas
8:00:00 AM	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Lights, Camera, Polka		Brethren Voices
8:30:00 AM	Two Grannys on the road	Two Grannys on the road	Two Grannys on the road	Science 360	Two Grannys on the road	Lights, Camera, Polka	Catholic Diocese of Burlington	Two Grannys on the road
9:00:00 AM	Vibrant Living Series	Vibrant Living Series	Vibrant Living Series	Vibrant Living Series	Vibrant Living Series	Lights, Camera, Polka	East Gate	Vibrant Living Series
9:30:00 AM						Lights, Camera, Polka		
10:00:00 AM	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka		Lights, Camera, Polka
10:30:00 AM	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	TV Mass	Lights, Camera, Polka
11:00:00 AM	TV Mass	1st Presbyterian	East Gate	Christ Lutheran	Faith Lutheran	Lights, Camera, Polka	Christ Lutheran	TV Mass
11:30:00 AM	Faith Lutheran					Lights, Camera, Polka		Faith Lutheran
12:00 PM				1st Presbyterian		Lights, Camera, Polka	Faith Lutheran	
12:30:00 PM		Christ Lutheran	Calvary Bible		Immanuel Lutheran	Lights, Camera, Polka		
1:00:00 PM	East Gate					Lights, Camera, Polka		East Gate
1:30:00 PM		Immanuel Lutheran		It's Happening Classics		Lights, Camera, Polka	Calvary Bible	
2:00:00 PM					Good Shepherd	Lights, Camera, Polka		
2:30:00 PM	Small Factory		Small Factory			Lights, Camera, Polka	Immanuel Lutheran	Small Factory
3:00:00 PM	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	Good Shepherd	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	The Hidden Truth		Cosettes Enchanted Journey
3:30:00 PM	The Childrens Corner		The Childrens Corner	The Childrens Corner	The Childrens Corner			The Childrens Corner
4:00:00 PM	Peak Moments	Peak Moments	It's Happening Classics	Peak Moments	Peak Moments	Foltz Studio	Good Shepherd	Peak Moments
4:30:00 PM	Meet The Author	Meet The Author		Meet The Author	Meet The Author			Meer The Author
5:00:00 PM	Sister In Arms	Sister In Arms	Sister in Arms	Sister in Arms	Sister In Arms	Marshfield Civic Band	Gay USA	Sister In Arms
5:30:00 PM	It's Happening Classics	World War I and II History	World War I and II History	World War I and II History	Calvary Bible			It's Happening Classics
6:00:00 PM		Paltrocast	Paltrocast	Paltrocast		Paltrocast	Everything LGBTQ	
6:30:00 PM		Sidewalks Entertainment	Sidewalks Entertainment	Sidewalks Entertainment	Sidewalks Entertainment	Goin Vinyl		
7:00:00 PM	NOWi	Ragtime All That Jazz	Ragtime All That Jazz	Open Mic Night April 2026	NOWi	Ragtime All That Jazz	Open Mic Night April 2026	NOWi
7:30:00 PM	Arts Alive				Arts Alive			Arts Alive
8:00:00 PM	Mo Jazz		Mo Jazz		Mo Jazz	Toni G Psychic Medium		Mo Jazz
8:30:00 PM								
9:00:00 PM	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight
9:30:00 PM								
10:00:00 PM	Rock N Roll Video Show	Bongo Music	Rock N Roll Video Show	Bongo Music	Rock N Roll Video Show	Late Night Movies	Late Night Movies	Rock N Roll Video Show
10:30:00 PM	Open Mic Poetry	Bongo Music	Open Mic Poetry	Bongo Music	Open Mic Poetry			Open Mic Poetry
11:00:00 PM	Bongo Music	Frack The Canon	Frack The Canon	Frack The Canon	Bongo Music			Bongo Music
11:30:00 PM	Bongo Music	Don And Kelly	Don And Kelly	Don And Kelly	Bongo Music			Bongo Music

Marshfield Community Garage Sale & Food Drive

Brought to you by Leadership Marshfield

**Friday-Saturday • May 15-16, 2026
8AM-6PM**

**Empty Your Garage & Help Fill
the Pantry!**

**Want to Sell? Join the Community
Garage Sale!**



Sell in the Community Garage Sale -
\$10 per household

- Free Advertisement on our Map
- Supports Soup or Socks

Sign up in person at MACCI:
March 2nd - May 1st • Cash or Check only

Shop & Give Back!

Donation totes available throughout Marshfield

Accepting:

- Non-perishable food items
- Unused cleaning products

All donations benefit Soup or Socks.



SOUP OR SOCKS

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