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**JOIN US AT THE  
DOYLESTOWN PICNIC  
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*August 7th - 5 PM - Rain or Shine!*

**Mon, Aug. 10th**  
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**Mon, Aug. 17th**  
Tenderloin Tips  
Mashed Potatoes  
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**Rio Street Dance - Saturday, August 15th**  
Parade at 2pm. Live Music Starts at 3 pm  
Mike & Dale 3 to 6pm & Zac Matthews Band 7 to 11pm  
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Serving Brats - Hot Dogs/Chili Dogs, Walking Tacos,  
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**Call ahead to Reserve  
Your Monday Meals**

**Marks Market  
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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Doylestown  
Firemens Picnic  
Aug. 7th, 8th & 9th**

**Rio Street Dance  
Saturday,  
August 15th**

**RIO STREET  
DANCE**

**FAMILY FRIENDLY  
ACTIVITIES**

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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15th**  
**2 PM TO 5 PM**

**FIND US ON  
LINCOLN AVE IN  
DOWNTOWN RIO**

**RIO  
Street Dance  
& Parade**  
**2026**

**★ SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2026 ★**

The Rio Community cordially invites you to enter in the Rio Street Dance Parade to be held in downtown Rio on Saturday, August 15, 2026. There is no entry fee into the parade. ATV/UTV's can be in the parade.

**THE PARADE WILL ONLY GO DOWN LINCOLN STREET FROM THE POST OFFICE TO CHURCH STREET.**

**1:30PM** PARADE LINE-UP  
BEHIND POST OFFICE/  
GRIGGSY'S/DEPOT AREA  
(please watch for fireman  
for instructions)

**2:00PM** PARADE START TIME

**2:30PM** GAMES FOR THE CHILDREN  
sponsored by the  
Rio Fire Department  
(look for them on the  
south end of street)

**3:00PM** BINGO AT THE DEPOT  
(hosted by the  
Rio Community Club)

**3PM-6PM** MIKE & DALE

**7PM-11PM** ZAC MATTHEWS BAND

**Fun for the Whole Family!**

PARADE ★ GAMES  
BINGO ★ LIVE MUSIC  
FOOD ★ COMMUNITY

There will be pizza,  
brats, hot dogs, pig roast,  
gyros, etc. to eat  
throughout the day.  
The food will be served inside Mark's  
Market this year with seating  
available inside also.

Any non-profit organization that is interested in selling products, baked goods, organizing games for kids, etc. is welcome. Please contact Lisa at [lmthom\\_123@yahoo.com](mailto:lmthom_123@yahoo.com) or 608-697-4018 or Mark's Market at 920-992-5220 if you are interested in raising money for your group or club. No contact is necessary if you are only entering the parade.

We hope to make this another successful Street Dance and hope you will join us in all of this year's entertainment. If you could please display this letter and share within your groups so other potential participants can see it, that would be appreciated.

**See You in Rio!**

THANK YOU FROM LR'S PLACE, MARK'S MARKET & GRIGGSY'S

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- ~Local News
- ~Local Events
- ~Local History
- ~Senior Menu
- ~And More

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**LIVE MUSIC**

**AUG 8TH**  
**6-8 PM**

**Jonny Lyons  
& the Pride**

**Rio Depot Park**  
If it Rains: Rio Middle/High School

Refreshments provided by  
Rio Legion & Brewers Sisters

**PORK CHOPS & BAG FLOPS  
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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**  
**2:00 PM - 10:00 PM**

**MINICK FARMS**  
**N2708 COUNTY ROAD A**  
**COLUMBUS, WI 53925**

**2:00 PM** Bags Tournament  
Registration Fee: \$40/Team  
Competitive and Family Divisions  
Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams

**4:00 - 6:00 PM** Pork Chop Dinner  
Adult Meal Includes: Pork Chop, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, Applesauce, Roll, Dessert, Lemonade & Water \$15/Person  
Kids Meal Includes: Hot Dog, Mac & Cheese, Applesauce, Dessert, Lemonade & Water \$8/Person

**Additional Activities**  
Additional Beverages available for donation  
50/50 Drawings  
Silent Auction

Raising funds for the enhancement of our student athlete experience at Rio Middle/High School by updating concessions stand and event entrance and other opportunities for our student athletes.

Scan QR Code to purchase your tickets or visit <https://square.link/u/B1L7OzAM>

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**SALES &  
INSTALLATION**

**JONNY LYONS & THE PRIDE**

**Food and beverage provided by the  
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brats, burgers, cheeseburgers, mac & cheese,  
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**Food service starts at 5 PM  
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**Bring your lawn chair and we'll see ya there.**

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**GARAGE SALE**  
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**July 3**  
 vs. Sun Prairie - 7:30 PM  
**Sun Prairie 17 - Rio 2**  
**July 4**  
 @ Monona - 1 PM  
**Monona 6 - Rio 0**  
**July 9**  
 vs. Ashton - 7:30 PM  
**Ashton 12 - Rio 0**  
**July 12**  
 @ DeForest - 1 PM  
**Rio 15 - DeForest 7**  
**July 16**  
 vs. Middleton - 7:30 PM  
**Middleton 13 - Rio 0**  
**July 19**  
 vs. Montello - 1 PM  
**Montello 9 - Rio 6**  
**July 23**  
 vs. Poynette - 7:30 PM  
**Rio 4 - Poynette 3**  
**July 26**  
 vs. Cottage Grove - 1 PM  
**Cottage Grove 5 - Rio 4**  
**July 30**  
 vs. Black Earth - 7:30 PM  
**Black Earth 12 - Rio 0**  
**August 2nd**  
 @ Columbus - 1 PM  
**Columbus 10 - Rio 0**  
**August 9th**  
 Sunday League Playoffs  
**August 13th**  
 Thursday Night League  
 Playoffs Begin

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**AUGUST 10-AUGUST 14, 2026**

**MONDAY**-Ring Bologna, Mac-N-Cheese, Peas & Carrots, Fruit Salad, Ice Cream Cup.

**TUESDAY**-Lasagna, Cauliflower, Garlic Bread Stick, Tropical Fruit.

**WEDNESDAY**-Grilled Chicken Breast w/Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, 5 Cup Fruit Salad, WW Roll.

**THURSDAY**- Hamburger Stroganoff, Baby Carrots, Peaches, WW Roll.

**FRIDAY**- Pulled Pork on WW Bun, Roasted Potatoes, Baked Beans, Apple Slices.

**AUGUST 17-AUGUST 21, 2026**

**MONDAY**-Hamburger Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Peas, Pears, WW Roll.

**TUESDAY**-Roast Pork Loin, Scalloped Potatoes, Corn, Spiced Apple Rings, WW Roll.

**WEDNESDAY**-Baked Chicken, Stuffing w/Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Cranberries, Carrot Cake.

**THURSDAY**- Cheeseburger Casserole, Carrots, Fruit Cup.

**FRIDAY**- Baked Cod w/Tartar Sauce, Sweet Potato, Broccoli Spears, Mandarin Oranges, WW Roll.

**Columbia County Meal sites**

|             |                       |
|-------------|-----------------------|
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| Pardeeville | 608-617-1821          |
| Portage     | 608-742-9211          |
| Poynette    | 608-635-2122 option 2 |

\*Menu subject to change without notice.  
ADRC 608-742-9233 or 888-742-9233

 ADRC  
Aging & Disability Resource Center  
of Columbia County

The image shows the American Red Cross logo, which consists of a large black cross on a white background. To the right of the cross, the words "American Red Cross" are written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. Below the logo, there is a black rectangular box containing white text that reads: "The need is constant, the gratification is instant. GIVE BLOOD."

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Bids will be accepted by calling 608.444.9578 prior to Monday, August 10, 2026. Bids will be presented at the Town Board Meeting on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

Town of Columbus, Columbia County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid most advantageous to the Township.

Gabrielle Loeffler, Clerk  
Town of Columbus

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Rio Depot Park  
Shelter

To make reservations for the shelter. Call Stan Stofflet at 920-992-5106 or Kacy Falk at 920-484-8022. *If no answer, please leave a message, it will be returned.*

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the  
Date

RIO  
STREET  
DANCE

AUGUST 15  
2026

Rio Community Library  
August News & Events

M & W-10:00am-8:00pm T,R,F-10:00am-5:00pm S-10:00am-3:00pm  
(920) 992-3206 www.riolibrary.org

Monthly Events:

The Rio Community Library Board meets on the 2nd Monday of the month. All are welcome.

The Book Club book is The Snowbirds by Christina Clancy. Copies available upon request.

Storytime is taking a break in August and will resume in September.

Lego Club and Movie days will take a break during the Summer.

Save the Date Events:

The Library will be closed on Labor Day Sept. 7th

Sept. 9th @ 6:00 p.m. Badger Talks - Doug Bradley - We Gotta Get Out of This Place: The Soundtrack of the Vietnam War

A Rio Reads event will be based on the above Badger Talk. Dates will be announced.

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 21 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Junk Journaling  
Oct. 28th @ 6:00 p.m.  
Big Foot in Wisconsin

Hello to All!

We want to remind everyone we will be holding our annual Red Cross Blood Drive on September 8, 2026.

It's always hard to keep getting enough donations in the summertime.

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HALL RENTAL

Rio American Legion

The Rio American Legion post is available for gatherings up to 50 people. The cost for a non-member is \$50.00 per day. Call Jerry at 920-988-3389 or George at 920-382-3588 for more information or to make a reservation.



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Like last year, we will be providing school supplies to the school for your students' use, all we ask is that those who can, purchase their backpack. For those who cannot provide a backpack, we are going to ask that the parents let it be known at registration so we can have backpacks ready for the student at Open House.

Community Members and Businesses: A few organizations have already donated funds to assist in this endeavor but additional monetary contributions would be helpful. Donations can be made payable to: Rio Community Event Fund, 207 Lincoln Ave, PO Box 276, Rio, WI 53960.

Additional donations of Clorox or Lysol Wipes and Kleenex are also appreciated.

If anyone has questions, feel free to contact Andrea Becker at (608) 712-8322.



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**Stork Watch**



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
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*Hansena & Jacob Gill welcome their first child, Gordon Gill, born July 13, 2026.*

*Proud grandparents are*  
*Vernon & Paula Vangen of Rio.*

**Rio Depot Park Shelter**

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**RIO STREET DANCE**  
**Saturday, August 15**



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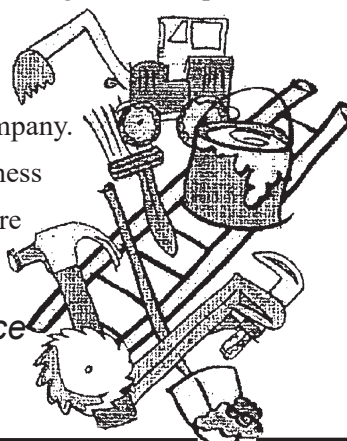
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one donation  
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American  
Red Cross

The need is constant, the gratification is instant.  
GIVE BLOOD.

Minick Farms

Blood Drive

(Between Rio & Columbus)  
N2708 County Rd. A

Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>  
1-6:00 PM

Don't Wait - Sign Up Today!

For an appointment, please call  
608-575-2445

or go online: www.redcrossblood.org  
You can save up to 15 minutes when you donated blood by using  
RapidPass! redcrossblood.org/RapidPass for more information

Walk-ins & new donors welcome!

RIO FIREMEN'S PARK  
FACILITIES 2026

To make reservations for use of the school house or shelter  
at the Firemen's Park - Call Todd Bateson at 608-683-9094.  
If no answer, please leave a message, it will be returned.

PARK PRICES

Schoolhouse only...\$110 Shelter only ...\$70  
Schoolhouse & Shelter...\$165  
Leashed dogs are allowed - Please clean up after your pet!

LOCAL WORSHIP

OLIVET CONGREGATIONAL  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Worship: Sunday at 9 am  
Sunday School: after Worship - 10 am

ALL ARE WELCOME!  
Web page: [olivetucc.org](http://olivetucc.org)

313 W. Prairie St.  
Columbus WI 53925

 **YOU'RE INVITED TO ...**  
Sunday School 8:30 AM  
Sunday Worship 9:30 AM  
Wed. Bible Study 6 PM  
Pastor: Mark Brandel  
rev.brandel@hotmail.com

Growing in grace since 1853  
 **Wyocena Community Church**  
wyocenachurch.com 164 E. Franklin St  
608.434.2470 PO Box 873  
Wyocena, WI 53969

**HALL RENTAL**  
Rio American Legion  
The Rio American Legion post is available for gatherings up to 50 people. The cost for a non-member is \$50.00 per day. Call Jerry at 920-988-3389 or George at 920-382-3588 for more information or to make a reservation.

**Bonnet Prairie Lutheran Church**  
N3694 Old F. Rd., Rio  
Phone: 920-992-3200



**Bonnet Prairie Lutheran**  
In Person Service,  
plus Zoom & Parking lot  
by listening to FM 87.9

**Sunday**  
Sunday School will be the  
first and third Sunday of the  
month beginning in  
September.  
(Sept. will be 2nd & 3rd Sunday)  
8:30 to 9:20 am.  
Sunday School is for  
students age 3-High School.

9:30 am Worship  
Council Meets 3rd Mon. of Month  
WOC Meets last Weds. of Month

 **Faith Bible Church**  
N4777 Elm Street - Rio, WI 53960  
Pastor Ramsey Bobzin  
920-992-3274  
www.fbcrio.org

Come join us to pray, sing and worship our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. Study the Bible, the Word of God, chapter by chapter, verse by verse and word by word. Jesus is THE WAY, THE TRUTH & THE LIFE!.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
9:00 AM **WORSHIP-STUDYING THE BOOK OF ISAIAH AFTER WORSHIP COFFEE & COOKIE FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWED BY SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES**

**SUNDAY EVENING:** Youth Group - 5:00 PM  
**MONDAY:** Time of Prayer & Praise - 3:00 PM  
**TUESDAY:** Women's Bible Study, Summer Break, Resumes 8/4/26  
**WEDNESDAY:** Apologetics Class - 6:00 PM  
**1ST SUNDAY/MONTH:** Communion  
**2ND SATURDAY/MONTH:** Mens Prayer Breakfast - 7:00 AM

**Sermons can be heard on  
[www.fbrio.org](http://www.fbrio.org) or on Facebook**

Let not your heart be  
troubled: ye believe in God,  
believe also in me.  
John 14:1

Community Resources

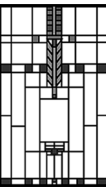


**WYOCENA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Monday 9am - 5pm  
Tuesday & Wednesday 9am - Noon & 1pm - 5pm  
Thursday 10am - 3 pm  
Friday, Saturday and Sunday - Closed

Offering copy/fax service during normal hours,  
no appointment necessary

**Rio Community Library**  
**HOURS**  
Mondays & Wednesdays  
10:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays  
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Saturdays - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Closed Sundays & Holidays  
email: questions@riolibrary.org  
website: www.riolibrary.org



**920-992-3206**  
Please review the guidelines  
when entering the library  
324 W. Lyons St.  
We also offer  
curbside pick up.

**Bread Basket**  
**COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY**  
Located in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, Entrance on Towyn Street  
**Bread Basket Food Pantry will be by appointment only.**  
**Contact Joanne Sanderson; 920-348-5568**  
**or the Church office; 920-348-5859.**

**Serving residents of the Cambria School District**

**MONETARY DONATIONS** may be sent to Joanne Sanderson,  
Treasurer, W2207 Vaughn Rd., Cambria, WI 53923.

 **HOURS**  
Monday & Wednesday: 9 AM - 8 PM  
Tues., Thurs. & Fri., 9 AM - 5 PM  
Saturdays - 9 AM - NOON  
109 Edgewater St., Cambria  
920-348-4030  
[www.jmml.org](http://www.jmml.org)  
WIRELESS INTERNET  
ACCESS AVAILABLE  
Weekly Preschool Story Time  
& Adult Book Club Monthly  
Book Drop Available F & M Bank in Friesland & the Library

**Attention Rio Area Food  
Pantry Customers!**  
Please come to the front door  
of the pantry to pick up your  
order form which will be filled  
and brought to your car.

**RIO FOOD PANTRY**  
104 Lincoln Ave., Rio  
Serving the Rio, Otsego, Doylestown, Cambria and Friesland areas/School Districts.  
**OPEN 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month**  
**10:00 AM – Noon**  
**EVERY 4<sup>th</sup> MONDAY**  
**we will also be open from 5 PM to 6 PM**

Donations of food & money are accepted during open hours. Monetary donations can also be sent to Rio Area Food Pantry PO Box 355 Rio WI 53960  
**Checks should be made out to the Rio Area Food Pantry.**  
For more information contact:  
Jim Nelson (608) 513-0552 or 992-3618  
Bob Risgaard (920) 992-5258  
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

**The Rio  
Shopper**



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**COLUMBUS/FALL RIVER FOOD PANTRY**  
**APPOINTMENT SCHEDULING  
INFORMATION**  
(effective January 1, 2025)

We serve Thursdays, 4:00 pm to 6:45 pm, by appointment. We are located in the back of the Columbus Community Center, 125 N Dickason Blvd, Columbus.

**Call 608-893-3079 to schedule an appointment.**  
If your call is not answered, please leave a clear message with your name and phone number. Messages will be checked daily.

Si Ud. necesita ayuda con la comida, favor de llamar al 920-287-8122 y pida Marcos para programar una cita.

**Thank you to the following churches for serving:**  
Connection Church - Pastor Jamie Turner \* St. Jerome Catholic Church - Father Jim Leaser \* Faith Lutheran Church - Pastor Andrew Perger \* Olivet Congregational UCC \* Zion Lutheran Church - Pastor Tim Schwartz \* First Presbyterian Church \* Columbus United Methodist Church - Rev. Sang Wook Park \* Columbus Community Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chris Baker \* Wisconsin Academy - Pastor Jonathon Petrick

**RIO AMERICAN LEGION ROOM RENTAL**  
The Rio American Legion has a room for rent that will hold approximately 50 folks for a seated event. The facility has AC, a gas stove, microwaves, refrigerator, with tables and chairs already in place. If interested in renting call Jerry at 920 988-3389 or George at 920 382-3588.

JOIN THE RIO AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY TODAY!  
OUR MEETINGS: Third Saturday of each month at 10:00 am at the RAHS Museum, 126 Lincoln Ave., Rio  
*ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE*  
View our picture gallery & stories on our Facebook page. For more information or

“WE NEED TO COLLECT & PRESERVE”  
~ Don Hohlstein

Old Dutch Restaurant in Rio now Hometown Pharmacy in 2026



In 1998 Peter Kriesels purchased the old Feed Mill (Originally Nagels and then Benzine Feed Mill) and significantly renovated it to become the Old Dutch Restaurant which opened August 9, 1999. It was open seven days a week and featured food with a European fare. It was an interesting dining model which only had one meal you could order. The signboard out front told you what they were serving that day. The people in town seemed to have mixed feelings about the lack of choice in their dining experience. There was also some controversy about Peter himself and his ability to run the restaurant in a respectful manner. I won't go in to that here but if you want info just ask one of the original residents and you may get an earful.

The Restaurant closed in about 2002 and the building remained empty for some time until Dan and Peggy Strause purchased the building in July 2004. The first open house for the front-end gift area was December 4th 2004. The Pharmacy opened in January of 2005.

By: Darlene Lerum

RIO HISTORY AD SPONSORED BY:



A tree grows,  
a memory lives on....

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Funeral Service

401 Angel Way Rio / 119 Industrial Dr. Pardeeville  
920-992-3434 or 608-429-2020

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Save the Date

RIO STREET DANCE

AUGUST 15 2026

DEADLINES



DISPLAY:  
Monday - 5 PM

CLASSIFIED:  
Tuesday - Noon

RIO SHOPPER

920-992-5253

Rio Depot Park Shelter

To make reservations for the shelter. Call Stan Stofflet at 920-992-5106 or Kacy Falk at 920-484-8022. *If no answer, please leave a message, it will be returned.*

SHELTER PRICE \$50

If cleaned after event, \$25 will be returned

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American Red Cross

SAVE THIS DATE!

Minick Farms BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, September 8

WATCH FOR DETAILS!

redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS

Best Wishes For Any Occasion

Birthday  
Mother's Day  
Engagement  
Wedding  
Father's Day  
Anniversary  
Sweethearts  
Graduation  
ANY OCCASION



Place a SPECIAL OCCASION ad in the Rio Shopper for only \$35  
*No extra charge for photo*

To place your ad, call:  
**Rio Shopper**  
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920-992-5253

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Email info: rioshoppernews@gmail.com  
www.columbiacountynewshub.com



Offices Hours: Call Ahead  
(CLOSED Saturday, Sunday & Holidays)

CLASSIFIED ADS must be paid for BEFORE publication. Please have your credit/debit card ready when you call.

DEADLINES:  
Display Ads - Monday at 5 PM  
Classifieds - Wednesday 10 AM  
HOLIDAYS require EARLIER DEADLINES!  
Watch for notice of exact dates.

Thank Yous - \$20 • Special Occasion ads - \$35

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Area Birth Announcements

Have a Birth to Announce?

*If you would like to announce a birth in the Rio Shopper, please call, or send information and phone number, (printed clearly) to Rio Shopper, 205 Lincoln Ave, P.O. Box 302, Rio, WI 53960. There is no charge for these announcements!*

920-992-5253

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Are you looking for a spiritual change, or to grow in Christ? Come check out Olivet. We offer both spiritual and sustenance food, family fun, and fellowship.

It's up to you to take that first step, then we will do the rest.

Weekly Sunday services are at 9 a.m. so you can view them online or attend in person. See you soon -

Olivet Congregational UCC  
313 West Prairie St.  
Columbus, Wisconsin 53925  
920-623-5140  
www.olivetucc.org