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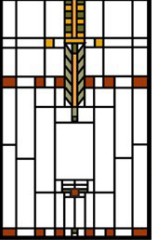
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Rio Community Library

January 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 hasn't been decided yet but copies will be available for checkout after 1/21.

Storytime is on Wednesdays at 9:30 am. Any child 5 and under with their parents can attend.

Lego Club meets every Thursday from 3:30 pm to 4:45 pm. All ages are welcome!

Special Events:

The Library will be closed January 1st and January 31st

Jan. 16 @ 6:00 p.m.
Children's Movie: Hercules

Jan. 16 @ 1:00 p.m.
Adult Movie: A Big Bold Beautiful Journey

There will be a Winter Reading Program for the month of January. See below for more information.

Upcoming Events:

The Winter Reading Program will be a Bingo event. It starts January 2 and will end January 31. You will have till February 6 to hand in your card and Feb. 9 will be the drawing for prizes. Remember, to finish a square, the item you read must be new for that square. One item will not cover two squares at once.

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Dear Supporters and Donors,

The Fall River Rod & Gun Club would like to sincerely thank and acknowledge the following supporters and donors for their generous contributions to our **37th Annual Fisheree**, held on **January 3rd at Lazy Lake**.

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It is because of the generosity, dedication, and continued support of these individuals and businesses that our club is able to host this outstanding event for our community and the surrounding area each year. Your contributions play a vital role in making the Fisheree a success and help ensure its tradition continues to grow.

In addition, your support allows our club to give back in meaningful ways. Proceeds and donations from this event help fund our **local scholarship program, fish stocking efforts**, and provide support to **local EMS and Fire Departments**, the **Fall River Lake Association**, **local sporting events**, the **Columbus Community Hospital**, as well as our own **youth shooting events and educational programs**. These efforts reflect our shared commitment to strengthening our community and supporting future generations.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who attended this year's Fisheree, as well as those who have participated in years past. Without your attendance, enthusiasm, and tradition of support, this event would not be celebrating **37 years and counting**.

On behalf of the Fall River Rod & Gun Club, thank you for being an essential part of our success and helping us continue a long-standing community tradition.

Sincerely,

The Directors of the Fall River Rod & Gun Club

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Columbia County Senior Dining Menu

FEBRUARY 9-FEBRUARY 13, 2026

MONDAY-Chicken Ala King, California Blend, Vegetables, Plum, Biscuit.
TUESDAY-Ham, Egg & Cheese Bake w/Spinach, Cubed Hashbrowns, Mandarin Oranges, Muffin.
WEDNESDAY-Kielbasa w/Sauerkraut, Red Skin Potatoes, Calico Beans, Mixed Fruit, WW Roll.
THURSDAY- Swedish Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Beets, Peaches, WW Roll.
FRIDAY- Glazed Salmon, Baked Sweet Potatoes, Cut Green Beans, Cherry Chocolate Cake, WW Roll.

FEBRUARY 16-FEBRUARY 20, 2026

MONDAY-Honey Glazed Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Broccoli, Pineapple Tidbits, WW Roll.
TUESDAY-Chicken, Pork, Sausage Pasta, Stewed Tomatoes, Cornbread, Banana Pudding.
WEDNESDAY- Baked Cod, Baked Potato w/Sour Cream, Crinkle Carrots, Pears, WW Roll.
THURSDAY- Beef Stew, Brussel Sprouts, Apple Crisp, Biscuit.
FRIDAY- Vegetarian Chili w/Beans, Cottage Cheese, Fresh Apple Slices, Cornbread, WW Crackers.

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Rio Boys Basketball
Monday, February 9
JV 2 @ Oakfield 4:30
Thursday, February 12
Varsity, JV & JV2 vs. Pardeeville 7:15 5:45
Tuesday, February 17
Varsity vs. Cambria-Friesland 6:00
Friday, February 20
Varsity & JV @ Fall River 7:15 5:45

Rio Girls Basketball
Saturday, February 2
Varsity vs. Port Edwards
@ Just A Game - Wisconsin Dells 2:30
Tuesday, February 10
Varsity & JV @ Pardeeville 7:15 5:45
Friday, February 13
Varsity & JV vs. Cambria-Friesland 7:15 5:45
Monday, February 16
Varsity @ Johnson Creek 6:00
Friday, February 20
Varsity & JV @ Fall River 5:45 7:15

Fall River Boys Basketball
Monday, February 9
Varsity & JV @ Marshall 7:15 5:45
Tuesday, February 10
Varsity & JV vs. St. Ambrose 7:15 5:45
Thursday, February 12
Varsity & JV vs. Montello 7:15 5:45
Tuesday, February 17
Varsity & JV @ Randolph 7:15 5:45
Friday, February 20
Varsity & JV vs. Rio 7:15 5:45

Fall River Girls Basketball
Tuesday, February 10
Varsity & JV @ Montello 7:15 5:45
Friday, February 13
Varsity & JV vs. Randolph 7:15 5:45
Tuesday, February 17
Varsity & JV vs. Montello 7:15 5:45
Friday, February 20
Varsity & JV vs. Rio 5:45 7:15
Saturday, February 21
Varsity vs. Lourdes Academy
@ Oshkosh Arena 3:00


Rebels Wrestling
Saturday February 7
Varsity Conference Tourn. @ Pardeeville 8:00
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Dr. Michael Lichucki
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Mr. Matt Davis
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Rio Elementary School will be having a Little Viking's Round-up day for all children that are 2 ½ to 4 years of age. We also encourage children that did not come last year to come this year before they start early learning in the fall. The Little Vikings Round-up day will take place on March 13th, 2026 from 8:30am to 1:30pm where you and your child can come and check out the elementary school and get to know the teachers. The Little Vikings Round-Up day will also include vision, hearing, academic, and speech/language screening via a number of fun activities designed to compare their play, socialization, motor skills, and overall development to levels of other children their age. This is known as the process called Child find. Child Find is a continuous process of public awareness activities, screening and evaluation designed to locate, identify, and refer as early as possible all young children with disabilities and their families who are in need of an Early Intervention Program (Part C) or Early Childhood Special Education (Part B) services of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Rio School District must locate, identify, and evaluate all resident children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities.

Little Vikings Round-Up Day at Rio Elementary School

Friday, March 13th, 2026 8:30AM To 1:30PM

To sign up to attend, please go to the link below, or use the QR code:

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Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on March 13th at Rio Elementary School!

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Thank

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With your help we were able to donate to the following organizations at the end of 2025.

\$250.00 – Rio Area Community Club towards the music at the depot.

\$100.00 – Camp American Legion

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Fall River Rod & Gun Club 37th Annual Fisheree
January 3rd, 2026

Bucket Raffle Winners

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Fall River Pirate Tip-Up	Joel Miller
Electric Power Washer	Tom McKay
Rocky Mountain Crossbow	Alex E
Avery Panel Blind Package donated by Tim Larson	Betsyjo Howe
Char-Broil Oil-less Fryer	Jeremy Grossman
Tip-Ups donated by Roger & Marilyn Nuehoff	Jeff Abegglen
Wildlife Prints donated by Lois Graff	Andy O’Brion
Weber Grill donated by Matt & Ann Lundeen	Bob Brunker
Coleman Cook Stove	Cliff Sweeney
Chestor Bandits Busch Light Cooler	Jenny Dykstra

Fish Raffle Winners

1. Retzlaff Memorial \$500 Cash	Tim Haas
2. Electric Ice Auger donated by Gary Weber	Shavlik Schultz
3. Ice Shelter Package donated by TAS H&C	Eric Schumann
4. Fall River Foundry Crossbow	K Standke
5. Vexilar Fish Finder donated by Sherwood Auto	Eggy
6. \$200 cash	Josh Price
7. \$100 cash	Dan P
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9. \$100 cash donated by Whitetails Unlimited	Frank Lassard
10. Propane Mr. Heater donated by Brunke H&C	John Sullivan

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1 st Greyson Miller 21 ¾”	
2 nd Drew Tratar/Liam Marks 20”	
3 rd Hendricks Oleskow/Will Cotter/Kelin Schmuhl/Keith Salzman 19 ½”	1 st Jeff Schmuhl 7 1/8” (perch)
Crappie	
1 st Tommy Agnew 11 ¼”	

Why Changing Your HVAC Filter in Winter Matters More Than You Think

(NAPSI)—When temperatures drop and we spend more time indoors, your HVAC system becomes one of the hardest-working appliances in your home. From keeping your living spaces warm and comfortable to circulating the air your family breathes every day, your system is busy around the clock during the winter months. That’s why changing your HVAC filter regularly in winter is one of the simplest and most important steps you can take to protect your home’s indoor air quality.

Winter = More Indoor Air Contaminants

During the colder season, windows stay closed, doors open less often, and fresh outdoor air doesn’t move through your home as easily. Meanwhile, indoor activities like cooking, cleaning, burning candles, and simply staying inside more often all increase the amount of dust, dander, and particles floating around your home.

A clean HVAC filter helps trap these contaminants before they circulate through your air ducts and back into the air you breathe.

A Dirty Filter Makes Your System Work Harder

When your filter becomes clogged with dust, pet hair, debris, and other winter buildup, the airflow through your HVAC system decreases. That means your furnace must work harder to push warm air into your home, using more energy and increasing the risk of breakdowns.

A clean filter keeps air moving freely, helping your system run efficiently and reducing stress on expensive components.

Clean Filters = Cleaner Air All Season Long

Winter air is often dry, and when combined with a dirty filter, it can leave your home feeling stuffy or dusty. Clean filters help:

- Reduce allergens like dust and dander
- Minimize odors
- Improve airflow and overall comfort
- Keep your home’s air fresher and healthier

For families with pets, allergies, or respiratory concerns, winter filter changes are even more important.

Don’t Forget the Bigger Picture

Your HVAC filter is just one part of your home’s air quality puzzle. Dust, debris, and contaminants can still build up inside your air ducts, especially when your system is running nonstop all winter long. Scheduling a professional inspection or cleaning with a NADCA-member company can ensure your entire system is working efficiently and circulating truly clean air.

Keep Your Home Breathing Easy This Winter

Changing your filter is a small task that pays off big, helping your HVAC system run better, improving indoor air quality, and keeping your home comfortable all season long. Make it part of your winter routine and enjoy cleaner, healthier air every day.

Learn more about protecting your indoor air quality at [BreathingClean.com](#).

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Sunday Worship - 9:00 am - Watch on Facebook Live
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ALL ARE WELCOME!
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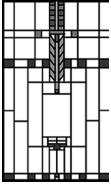


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HOURS

Mondays & Wednesdays
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Saturdays - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
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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-
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Weekend Mass Schedule:

St. Patrick Catholic Church, N4085 Bruce St., Doylestown; Sun. 8 a.m.
St. Jerome Catholic Church, 1550 Farnham St., Columbus; Sat. 4:30 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.
St. Olaf Catholic Church, 619 Jefferson St, DeForest; Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 7:30 a.m. and 9 a.m.;
St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1935 Hwy V, Sun Prairie; Sun. 10 a.m.
St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 655 S. Main St., Poynette; Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m.

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Rio WI 53960

Checks should be made out to the Rio Area Food Pantry.

For more information contact Gina Gray (608)234-7454, Bob
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Pastor Ramsey Bobzin
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9:00 AM WORSHIP/CHILDREN'S CHURCH & NURSERY
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

SUNDAY EVENING: Prayer and Praise - 5:00 PM

TUESDAY'S: Women's Bible Study, 9:30 AM

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: 1:00 PM - Call for Details
2ND SATURDAY/MONTH: Men's Prayer Breakfast-7 AM

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no appointment necessary



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Contact Joanne Sanderson; 920-348-5568
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A Holiday Gift for that Military Veteran

Rio American Legion Memorial Bricks

The Rio American Legion has Memorial Bricks for you to honor
your veteran, and to provide a way to let others know of their
service to this great country. The cost is \$100 per brick. Each brick
will be etched with the veteran's name and other significant items
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Suggested Information:

4 lines with 17 spaces per line ONLY. Please print each letter/number clearly as what you
put down is what gets cut into the stone.

Veteran's Name/Rank

Military Branch & Unit

Duty Station/Ship

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N3694 Old F. Rd., Rio

Phone: 920-992-3200



Bonnet Prairie Lutheran

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Sunday

Sunday School will be
the first Sunday of the
month beginning in Oct.
8:30 to 9:20 am.

Sunday School is for
students age 3-High School.

9:30 am Worship

Council Meets 2nd Mon. of Month
WOC Meets last Weds. of Month

JOIN THE RIO AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY TODAY!

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People Telephone Company in Rio

The Peoples Telephone Company was organized February 4, 1901. The President was Jesse L. Farrington of Rio. Secretary Treasurer was E.E. Marsh, Lowville. In 1914 Jesse Farrington was still listed as president and A.R. Slinger of Portage was Vice President. They had more than 1200 telephones in operation covering territory in Rio, Fall River, Cambria, Randolph, and Fox Lake. This building was built in the 1930's. It still exists in Rio but is now only used as storage by the Centurylink Company who purchased it.

The Peoples Telephone Company in Rio along with some employees in the 1940's (pictured below are Eva Nelson (back) Hazel Danielson, Alvida Johnson, and ? for the 4 th.



Miss Mina Thompson VP of Peoples Telephone and her sister Mable Thompson 1960.

By: Darlene Lerum

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HALL RENTAL

Rio American Legion

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Valentine's Day



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