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**Rio Community Library**  
**April 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 Let Us Descend by Jasmyrn Ward. Copies available upon request.

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:**

Apr. 15 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Rio Reads Sand County Almanac at the Library

Apr. 17 @ 8:00 a.m.  
Rio Reads Sand County Almanac at Mama Chaz's Cafe

Apr. 22 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Rio Reads Sand County Almanac at the Library

Apr. 10 @ 1:00 p.m.  
Adult Movie: Nuremberg

**Upcoming Events:**  
The Library will be open 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. on April 3rd and we will be closed April 4th.

We had a wonderful presentation from the Aldo Leopold Society in March and we invite everyone to continue that discussion of "The Sand County Almanac" with our Rio Reads program. Books will be available at the library to keep while supplies last. Come to whichever chat fits your schedule.

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**RIO LIBRARY NEWS . . .**

**Important information from the Rio Community Library**

Changes are coming to the Rio Community Library and LINKcat on April 17, 2026

LINKcat will be unavailable from 5 pm Sunday, April 12 through Friday, April 17

During this offline period:

No overdue fees

Holds won't expire

No items are due April 13-April 17

The Rio Library will be closed April 13 and April 14 when LINKcat is unavailable.

Your PIN will be reset. Please call us to find out the new format or if you have any other questions.

For the most current schedules go to your school website

**Rio Baseball**

Monday, April 13

Varsity vs. Green Lake/Princeton 5:00

Thursday, April 16

Varsity @ Green Lake/Princeton 5:00

**Fall River Baseball**

Tuesday, April 7

Varsity vs. Randolph/Cambria-Friesland 5:00

Thursday, April 9

Varsity @ Randolph/Cambria-Friesland 5:00

Monday, April 13

Varsity @ Markesan 5:00

Thursday, April 16

Varsity vs. Markesan 5:00

**Rio/Fall River Softball**

Tuesday, April 7

Varsity @ Pardeeville 5:00

Thursday, April 9

Varsity vs. Montello 5:00 @ Fall River

Monday, April 13

Varsity @ Randolph 5:00

Thursday, April 16

Varsity vs. Green Lake/Princeton 5:00 @ Rio

Saturday, April 18

Varsity @ Parkview High 10:00 am

**Rio Track & Field**

Thursday, April 9

High School Invitational @ Markesan 4:30

Thursday, April 16

High School Triangular @ Markesan 4:30

**Fall River Track & Field**

Tuesday, April 7

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**OBITUARY**



**George Edmond Ferriter**

George Edmond Ferriter unexpectedly passed away on Saturday, March 14th, 2026 at the age of 74. He was greatly admired for his immense knowledge, joy for life, and his positive and inquisitive nature. He was kind, gentle, generous and left a lasting impression on those who were fortunate enough to meet him.

George was born at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard on December 6th, 1951 as the youngest of six children. He grew up in Greenland, NH and upon graduation joined the United States Airforce. He spent part of his military time stationed in South Korea. Upon his return he met and married Suzanne Kennedy Ferriter on November 1st, 1978 They shared 44 years of marriage and raised four children together. Their partnership was a defining chapter of his life and he remained deeply grateful for the years they spent together. He worked as a meteorologist on the local tv station while simultaneously attending the University of New Hampshire, graduating with a degree of Mechanical Engineering in 1982. He retired from Fairbanks Morse after many years of service as an engineer and retired from the military after eight years of active duty followed by many years of National Guard Service.

He found companionship again and married Renate Roske-Shelton on November 13, 2025 embracing a new chapter with hope and joy.

He was a man of many interests and passions. He loved antiquing, finding treasures, and collecting art. He was an artist in his own right as well. He was an avid reader and writer, he wrote a book, "Of Hillfolks and Engine Builders: The Story of Fairbanks Morse" about the development of industry in the midwest. He also loved to write poetry. He had an interest in local politics and even ran for office.

He was a devoted father to Ben (Cynthia Arnold) Ferriter, Anna (Tyler) Olson, Angela (Jacob) Greenberg, Peirce (Jen) Ferriter and a proud Papa to his grandchildren Caleb, Knight, Carter, Addison, Talon, Reese, Eli, Quinn, George, Fineen, and Brannock. He was survived by his two siblings Nick and Sue and his loyal puppy Jones.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Suzanne Ferriter, parents Charles and Anna Ferriter and his brothers Peirce, Charles, and Jack Ferriter.

A Celebration of Life will be held on May 9th at Savannah Oaks Community Center 100 Savanna Rd. Fall River, WI at 1:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, the family wishes a donation be made to the VFW in Fall River or the Columbia County Humane Society.

George will be deeply missed and forever remembered.



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**RIO COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2026, 5:00 PM  
RIO MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL - ROOM 170**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Board President, Carley Young. Samantha Marquardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

This meeting was properly posted in the District.

**Roll Call:** Carley Young, Tammy Wakeman, Beth Laufenberg, Jordan Noyes and Keith Desjarlais. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Michael Lichucki; Middle/High School Principal Matt Davis; Director of Business Services Paula Glaser; Technology Coordinator Jared Napralla; Building & Grounds Director Randy Starker; Reading Specialist/DAC Samantha Marquardt; Strength & Conditioning Coach Edward Wagner; Administrative Assistant Nicole Bagwell

**Recognition of Visitors.** There were three visitors present.

Approve Minutes from the January 19, 2026, Regular Board of Education Meeting. A motion was made by Keith Desjarlais and seconded by Jordan Noyes to approve the January 19, 2026, regular meeting minutes, as presented. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

Rio Showcase - Millie the Therapy Dog. Mrs. Marquardt brought in Millie the Therapy Dog. She gave a small presentation to the board on the process it took to get Millie licensed as a therapy dog and what a therapy dog will do at the Elementary school. This gave the board the opportunity to meet Millie and to ask any questions that they may have.

**Action Items**

A. Bills for Payment. A motion was made by Beth Laufenberg and seconded by Tammy Wakeman to approve Checks, ACH, and Wire payments from 1/1/26 - 1/31/26 totaling \$534,973.44, as presented. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

B. Human Relations

1. Resignation/Retirement -

a. MS/HS Counselor - Steve Harris. A motion was made by Jordan Noyes and seconded by Keith Desjarlais to accept the resignation of Steve Harris, effective January 26, 2026, from the position of MS/HS Counselor, with thanks. Motion carried by voice vote; five votes yes.

b. Speech Pathologist - Brea Falstad. A motion was made by Tammy Wakeman and seconded by Jordan Noyes to accept the resignation of Brea Falstad, effective at the end of the school year, from the position of Speech Pathologist, with thanks. Motion carried by voice vote; five votes yes.

2. Hiring

a. Middle School Baseball - Nathan Duell. Nathan Duell was hired as the new middle school baseball coach. No motion needed.

a. Grants

i. Family Check-Up Grant. A 10,000 grant was received from UW-Madison for participating in their Family Check-Up program. We have several families that have opted into their program that is designed to help families build their parenting skills. This is available for families 4k-2nd grade. Grant funds can be used for any purpose.

b. Donations.

i. Soccer Net Replacement - Rio Elementary PTO. A motion was made by Beth Laufenberg and seconded by Keith Desjarlais to accept the gift of new soccer nets for the Elementary school, from the Rio Elementary PTO with great thanks. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

**Discussion/Information/Possible Action**

A. 5000's 2nd Reading. A motion was made by Tammy Wakeman and seconded by Beth Laufenberg to acknowledge the second reading of the 5000's section of Neola Policies. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

B. Financial Scorecard. This item was reviewed by the Board.

C. Weightroom Supervisor Compensation. A motion was made by Keith Desjarlais and seconded by Jordan Noyes to approve the hiring and compensation for the weightroom supervisor for the spring sports season, as presented and discussed. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

D. Rio Powerlifting Coach. This was a discussion item.

E. 2nd Friday Enrollment. Director of Business Services Paula Glaser presented the reconciliation of the Second Friday Count from September as compared to January.

F. Student Memorial. A motion was made by Keith Desjarlais and seconded by Tammy Wakeman to approve a memorial buddy bench in honor of Will Tomlinson as presented and discussed. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

G. WASB Conference debrief. Dr. Lichucki and Beth Laufenberg discussed their time at the WASB Convention and the takeaways from the different sessions they attended.

H. Long-Term Financial Plans. This item was reviewed by the Board.

I. Air Handler Bid Quotes. This was a discussion item.

J. District Data Server Quotes. Technology Coordinator Jared Napralla presented quotes for the purchase of data center servers. A motion was made by Tammy Wakeman and seconded by Jordan Noyes to accept the quote from Heartland Business Systems for data center servers, as presented and discussed. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

K. Chromebook Quotes. Technology Coordinator Jared Napralla presented quotes for the purchase of 75 Chromebooks and the licensing required for them. A motion was made by Tammy Wakeman and seconded by Keith Desjarlais to approve spending up to \$20,000 for 75 Chromebooks and licensing, as presented and discussed. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

N. School Psychologist Job Description. A motion was made by Beth Laufenberg and seconded by Keith Desjarlais to approve the School Psychologist job description. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

O. School Improvement Plan Mid-Year Review. Dr. Lichucki and Mr. Davis reviewed the School Improvement Plan which included an update of progress towards building goals.

P. TID Closure Funds and Dissemination. The district recently received a check for \$404,803.76 from the Village of Rio from the closure of the TID (Tax Incremental District). The board discussed ideas around how to use these funds.

Q. Safety Enhancement Project Update. This was a discussion item.

R. Community Survey. The board discussed multiple survey options for getting feedback from various stakeholders. The school district will do their own internal perception survey at this time.

S. Administrative Reports.

1. Mr. Davis MS/HS L. Budget Amendment. A motion was made by Jordan Noyes and seconded by Tammy Wakeman to approve the budget amendments for the 2025-2026 budget, as presented. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes. M. Board Prioritization Update. This item was reviewed and discussed by the Board.

a. General School Update.

- February 23-27 is FFA Week. Many activities are planned for the week.
- Parent teacher conferences are coming up on Feb 26th. Parents are invited to sign up for conferences using Skyward.
- Rio MS/HS is hosting the conference math meet on March 9th.
- Freshman and Sophomores will be visiting UW-Stevens Point on March 11th.
- ACT and PreACT testing is coming up March 11th & 17th.
- Juniors will be visiting UW-Oshkosh and a tech school on March 17th.
- Cabaret is March 21st & 22nd.
- Seniors are preparing for graduation slated for May 22nd.

2. Dr. Lichucki District/Elementary

a. General School Update.

- Collecting food for the food pantry.
- 5th grade DARE graduation was held February 6th.
- As part of our gifted and talented program, seven students from 5th and 6th grade attended the Creative Arts Festival held in Portage. Students had the opportunity to participate in different sessions such as sculpting, acrylic painting, and steel pan adventure.

T. Legislative Update. This was a discussion item.

U. Items for Future Agendas. This was a discussion item.

A motion was made by Jordan Noyes and seconded by Tammy Wakeman to adjourn into closed session according to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85 (1) at 8:38 PM. Motion carried by a roll call vote: Young, Wakeman, Laufenberg, Noyes, and Desjarlais voting yes.

(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Specifically: Superintendent Evaluation

A motion was made by Keith Desjarlais and seconded by Tammy Wakeman to reconvene into open session at 9:41 PM. Motion carried by voice vote; five votes yes.

A motion was made by Jordan Noyes and seconded by Tammy Wakeman to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 PM. Motion carried by a voice vote; five votes yes.

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 Wed. Bible Study 6 PM  
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**COMMUNITY RESOURCES**

 **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  
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Weekly Preschool Story Time  
 & Adult Book Club Monthly

**Book Drop Available** F & M Bank in Friesland & the Library

**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



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 Please review the guidelines  
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Monday 9am - 5pm  
 Tuesday & Wednesday 9am - Noon & 1pm - 5pm  
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*Offering copy/fax service during normal hours,  
 no appointment necessary*

**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.

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 Connection Church - Pastor Jamie Turner \* St. Jerome Catholic  
 Church - Father Jim Leeser \* Faith Lutheran Church - Pastor  
 Andrew Perger \* Olivet Congregational UCC \* Zion Lutheran  
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**Bread Basket**  
**COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY**  
 Located in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, Entrance on Town 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.

**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 Gina Gray (608)234-7454, Bob  
 Risgaard (920) 992-5258, or Jim Nelson (920) 992-3618.  
*This institution is an equal opportunity provider.*

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

**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.

**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.

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

**Phelps Hardware/Linquist Drugstore**



The Phelps family had moved to Wisconsin from Ohio in 1843. In 1855 Milo Phelps was one of the first settlers in Columbia County when he established a farm in Wyocena Township. He later left the farm and started a Blacksmith Shop in the village of Wyocena. Milo moved to Rio in 1871 and until 1882 ran The Phelps House hotel as well as a Blacksmith Shop here. In 1882 Milo Phelps and C.J. Linquist built a store together and ran separate businesses.

The building that housed Phelps Hardware (corner of Lincoln and W. Rio Street) was divided in two and the other half housed the Lindquist Pharmacy as well as a Post Office. Milo's son George began working in the store in 1886 when he was just 15 years old. George became a partner in the business, and later the sole proprietor when Milo retired in 1904. From its founding in 1882, Phelps Hardware was a mainstay business in Rio. In 1936 George Phelps was honored by the National Retail Hardware Dealers Association for his 50 years of successful operation with out a loss. In 1935 in the heart of the Depression, he was able to increase sales by 100% over the previous year. This building stood on the location of the current Post Office. It burned on Christmas Eve of 1952.

By: Darlene Lerum

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**VILLAGE OF RIO GARAGE SALES**

**MAY 8th & 9th 2026**

**HAPPY EASTER**



**Stork Watch**

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



**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

**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!