

January 2026 | Highlands at River Crossing

HIGHLANDS

Happenings



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UPCOMING SPOTLIGHT EVENTS



Toast In The New Year

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2ND AT 9:30 AM | COMMUNITY ROOM

Join us for coffee and a New Year's Toast with your fellow residents. Share, inspire, reflect or take the opportunity to make others laugh with your toast. Everyone will have an opportunity to share if they wish. Let's raise a glass to another year together! A variety of breads to toast and coffee will be served. **This event is free. RSVP Not Required**



Happy Wanderers

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8TH AT 1:00 PM | FIN N' FEATHER - MEETING IN THE GARAGE

Let's go on an adventure and enjoy good food, great company, and a relaxed atmosphere! Try the soup and salad bar or something from their menu - this is the perfect spot to unwind and connect with fellow residents. Bring your wallet to pay for your own meal. Carpooling is encouraged. **Cost will vary by selection. RSVP by Friday, January 2nd**



The Story of The Endurance by Rochelle Pennington

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16TH AT 10:00 AM | MAHLER PARK COMMUNITY ROOM

Don't miss this opportunity to hear renowned speaker Rochelle Pennington present the extraordinary story of one of history's greatest shipwrecks, The Endurance. Hear how the captains unwavering resolve inspired his crew to survive and overcome two years of brutal hardship in the frozen Antarctic. **This event is free. RSVP by Tuesday, January 13th**



Social Hour

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23RD AT 4:00 PM | COMMUNITY ROOM

Sip, snack & socialize! Bring your favorite drink and a tasty appetizer to share with neighbors. Don't miss the 50/50 drawing—your chance to win some cash and enjoy a fun evening together!

This event is free. RSVP by Wednesday, January 21st



Breakfast To Go

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27TH AT 9:30 AM | COMMUNITY ROOM

Enjoy a delicious breakfast together with your neighbors or take it home to enjoy. Jackie's Parkside will provide a variety of plates to choose from. Pick the one that tickles your tastebuds!

Cost will vary by selection. RSVP by Tuesday, January 20th

*We look forward to having you join us!
For a complete list of activities and events taking place
this month at the Highlands, visit our Activity Calendar on pages 6-7.*

PAST ACTIVITIES & RECREATIONAL EVENTS



RESIDENT REMINDERS



January, the first month of the year. A perfect time to start all over again. Changing energies and deserting old moods. New beginnings, new attitudes.

-Charmaine J Forde

Congratulations!

Who won \$100?



This month's winner of our \$100 lease renewal drawing is Mary W.



Snowplow Awareness

Be watchful of snowplows when it snows. If you have a car parked in the lot, please try and move it so the plow can clear the entire lot. The weather has been very unpredictable this season and we thank you for being patient.

Common Area Temperatures

Community Room & Library temps are set to 72°-74° and hallway temps are set to 70°. Please contact the Resident Services Office if you notice any problems.

Doors

You may have noticed, the change in Wisconsin weather temperatures can often times impact the operation of the automatic doors and the mechanism used to properly close them. We kindly request that you take some extra time to ensure that all doors close behind you when entering and leaving the building. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Designated Animal Waste Areas

A friendly reminder to our animal owners please make sure your dog is using the designated animal area. For your convenience, we have an animal waste clean-up station to help you pick up and dispose of your pet's waste. Please do not create your own area for your dog to relieve themselves or allow them to use your patio or balcony. We want to keep the grounds looking neat and clean for all residents to enjoy.

Slow Down You're Moving Too Fast

FRIENDLY REMINDERS FOR DRIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Patience is a virtue and in a parking lot and on the roads that connect our community buildings, that virtue can be tested. That patience, however, can preserve damages to your car, to other's cars, surrounding landscape, and the likelihood of injury to pedestrians. Please take things slow when driving in/out and around our community and parking lots. If you see someone speeding in the parking lot or surrounding areas of our community, please let the office know by providing a description to the best of your ability of the make/model and color of the speeding vehicle.

Please also remember that the garage doors are set for sufficient time for one vehicle to pass through. We are not responsible for any damage to cars that "piggyback" each other to enter or exit the underground parking garage.

While driving in the underground parking garage, please be aware and on the lookout for residents who may be walking in the garage to/from their cars as well as those around the waste receptacle area/recycling and trash.

Celebrate Good Times

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14TH AT 1:30 PM
COMMUNITY ROOM
RSVP BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 9TH

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Is your birthday in January? Be our guest as we celebrate with peach cobbler, vanilla ice cream, and coffee. This event is free to all with birthdays in January and \$3 to all others. Happy Birthday to all!



Don't wait for the perfect moment. Take the moment and make it perfect.

Zoey Sayward

Let's celebrate another year together!

Resource Center

DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE A RESOURCE CENTER?

Our Resource Center is located in the Multi-purpose Room and contains information from various service providers who cater to the needs of those 55 and better. Enjoy information on cleaning services, home health care services, restaurant menus, coupons and more!

Check out the resources available to you today!



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



JANUARY 2026 ACTIVITY & EVENTS CALENDAR

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					NEW YEAR'S DAY Office Closed	9:30 am Toast in the New Year 1:30 pm Book Club	National Mind-Body Wellness Day
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Packers vs. Vikings Time TBD	10:30 am Strong Bodies 3 pm Bible Study 6 pm Uno	10 am Exercise DVD 2 pm Rummikub	9:30 am Morning Blend Coffee 6 pm Cribbage	10:30 am Strong Bodies 1 pm Happy Wanderers 3 pm Bingo	10 am WII Bowling 1 pm Sheepshead	NFL Playoffs Wild Card Round Games at 3:30 PM & 7 PM	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
NFL Playoffs Wild Card Round Games at 12 PM, 3:30 PM & 7 PM	10:30 am Strong Bodies 3 pm Bible Study 6 pm Uno	10 am Exercise DVD 2 pm Rummikub	9:30 am Crafts w/Rita 1:30 pm Birthday Party 6 pm Cribbage	10:30 am Strong Bodies 3 pm Bingo	10 am WII Bowling 10 am Rochelle Pennington at Mahler Park	NFL Playoffs Divisional Round Games at 3:30 PM & 7:15 PM	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
NFL Playoffs Divisional Round Games at 2 PM & 5:30 PM	Martin Luther King Jr Day 10:30 am Strong Bodies 3 pm Bible Study 6 pm Uno	10 am Exercise DVD 1 pm Lord of Lakes Communion 2 pm Rummikub	9:30 am Coffee 10:30 am St Mary's Communion 6 pm Cribbage	10:30 am Strong Bodies 3 pm Bingo	10 am WII Bowling 1 pm Sheepshead 4 pm Social Hour	National Compliment Day	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
NFL Conference Championship 5:30 PM	10:30 am Strong Bodies 3 pm Bible Study 6 pm Uno	9:30 am Breakfast To Go 10 am Exercise DVD 2 pm Rummikub	9:30 am Coffee 6 pm Cribbage	10:30 am Strong Bodies 3 pm Bingo	10 am WII Bowling 6 pm Sipping In Your Slippers	National Hot Chocolate Day	

JUST FOR FUN



To appreciate the beauty of a snowflake it is necessary to stand out in the cold.

-Aristotle



WHAT'S COOKING

White Chicken Chili

This white chicken chili is full of flavor and ideal for a quick, hearty meal—especially on a cold winter night. And the best part is that it comes together easily in one pot and also freezes well, making it a great option for meal prep or leftovers.



Fun Facts About New Year's Resolutions

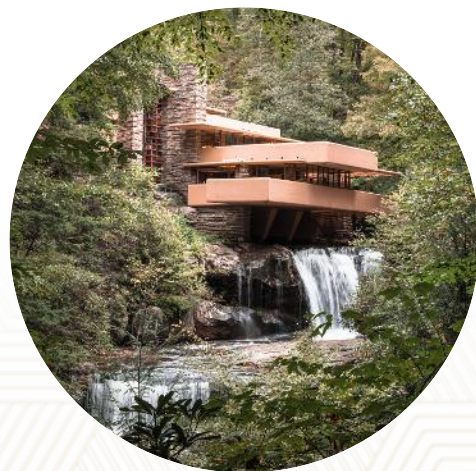
The tradition of New Year's resolutions dates back over 4,000 years to the ancient Babylonians. During a 12-day festival called Akitu, they made promises to their gods to pay debts and return borrowed items—early versions of resolutions!

The Romans later adopted similar practices, offering resolutions to Janus, the two-faced god of beginnings. Today, while fitness goals top most lists, only about 9% of people actually stick to their resolutions. Still, the hope of a fresh start keeps the tradition alive



Back Then In History

On January 17, 1867, Frank Lloyd Wright was born in Richland Center, Wisconsin. Widely considered one of America's most influential architects, Wright pioneered the Prairie School movement and designed iconic buildings like Taliesin in Spring Green. His philosophy of organic architecture emphasized harmony between human spaces and nature. Wright's legacy continues to inspire architects around the world, with more than a dozen of his structures still standing throughout Wisconsin.



Top Ten

COZY THINGS TO DO INDOORS DURING COLD WINTER MONTHS

Staying in can be just as enjoyable as going out, especially when it's January in Wisconsin. Check out these Top 10 cozy things to do inside the comfort of your own home.

1. Read a new book
2. Make hot cocoa
3. Try a new recipe
4. Do a puzzle
5. Stream a movie
6. Light a candle
7. Listen to calming music
8. Knit or crochet
9. Organize a drawer
10. Start journaling

Stay warm!

INGREDIENTS

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 3 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 5 ¼ cups chicken broth
- 3 (15 oz) cans cannellini beans, rinsed
- 2 (4 oz) cans chopped green chiles
- 1 tablespoon dried oregano
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 2 pinches cayenne pepper (or to taste)
- ¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro (or to taste)
- ½ cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- Salt to taste

STEP 1: In a dutch oven, heat olive oil over medium heat. Saute chicken, onion, and garlic until chicken is lightly browned, above 5 minutes.

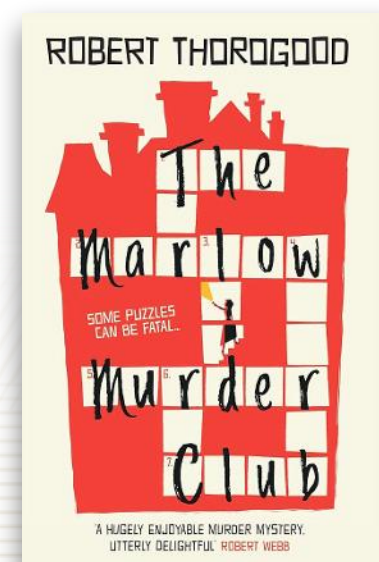
STEP 2: Transfer chicken to a cutting board and cut into bite-sized chunks. Return to pot.

STEP 3: Add broth, beans, chiles, oregano, cumin, and cayenne. Simmer 30-40 minutes.

STEP 4: To serve, place cilantro in bowls, ladle chili over, and top with cheese and salt to taste.

Source: Allrecipes.com

Warm up with chili!



Shelf Indulgence

THIS MONTH'S BOOK RECOMMENDATION

The Marlow Murder Club by Robert Thorogood

When 77-year-old Judith Potts spots something suspicious from her riverside home, she stumbles into a real murder mystery—and decides to solve it herself. Teaming up with two unlikely new friends, Judith forms an amateur sleuthing trio in the sleepy English town of Marlow. Witty, charming, and full of cozy intrigue, this book is a fun and clever read perfect for spring afternoons. Fans of light mysteries and lovable eccentrics will be hooked.

CONTACT INFORMATION



Resident Portal

Make rent payments. Pay online, check the status of your payments, review your payment history, submit maintenance requests and view event invitations.

Our resident portal is an online tool for you to be able to take care of some things without having to wait for the Resident Services Office to open. It's easy, it's convenient and it's designed with you in mind.

Need more information? Contact us today!



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We want to hear from you!

Your Feedback is Important To Us TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

Our team works hard to ensure that your expectations are not only met, but exceeded. We send general feedback surveys when the following touch points take place:

Following your move in

Completion of a maintenance request

At lease renewal

Following a move out

Your feedback is extremely important to us and we appreciate your kind words and recognition of our team members and services. We also appreciate when you take the time to tell us where we may have fallen short so that we have an opportunity to improve.

Our community is only as good as our residents' satisfaction and we appreciate you taking the time to share your feedback with us.

Onsite Services

Salon: 2nd Floor Near #205

Monday - Friday, Hours Vary
Walk ins available when on site.
(920) 379-1609

STYLIST

Peggy Herbst
Check or cash. No credit cards, thank you.

Free Internet

We offer free hard-wired internet into every apartment. Simply connect your computer, laptop, or router to the port. Having troubles? Call the Resident Services Office at 920-667-0378. We can determine if it's our line or your equipment. Enjoy!

Free Cable TV

We offer free basic cable in all apartments. For service issues please call 1-844-725-4323 and ask for the 'bulk call center'.

Thank you to our Community Engagement Coordinator for all you do to keep our community running smoothly.

Local Services

Spectrum Cable

CUSTOMER SERVICE
(844) 725-4323

Alliant Energy

CUSTOMER SERVICE
(800) 255-4268

GO Transit

CUSTOMER SERVICE
(920) 232-5340

Village of Winneconne

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
(920) 582-4381

Winneconne Post Office

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
(920) 582-9405

Winneconne Library

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
(920) 582-7091

Winneconne Chamber of Commerce

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
(920) 239-6367

CHECK IT OUT

Community Newsletters Online HIGHLANDS HAPPENINGS

You can view this edition of your Highlands Happenings newsletter and newsletters from our other Highlands Communities simply by visiting their respective websites. Each website has a "Newsletter" page where you'll find current and archived newsletters. Start reading online today!



Help Us To Better Help You RESIDENT SERVICES OFFICE VISITS

To ensure we can address your needs promptly and thoroughly, we kindly ask for your support in two ways:

For in-person visits:

- Please schedule an appointment whenever possible.
- If visiting without an appointment, limit conversations to 5 minutes or less for non-urgent matters.

For non-urgent questions:

- Submit detailed requests via email or voicemail. This helps us respond efficiently and identify common topics for future resources.

These steps allow our team to dedicate focused attention to walk-ins and appointments while managing essential behind-the-scenes tasks that benefit our entire community.

Thank you for partnering with us to enhance service for all residents.

*We appreciate your understanding
and cooperation!*

Arden Property Group Portfolio of Communities HIGHLANDS COMMUNITIES AND PARAGON PLACE PROPERTIES

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Menomonee Falls	Neenah
Mequon	De Pere
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Franklin	Weston

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