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Fordland Clinic partnership offers free lab tests for qualifying patients

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From Fordland Clinic

Fordland Clinic, in collaboration with the American Liver Foundation (ALF), is proud to announce the availability of free Liverstat lab tests for qualifying patients. This comprehensive test includes a Liver Panel, Comprehensive Metabolic Panel (CMP), and Gamma-Glutamyl Transferase (GGT). Results are typically available within five business days.

The Liverstat test is an important tool in identifying potential liver health concerns and assessing risk for heart disease and stroke.

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By supporting early intervention, the test can improve long-term health.

To qualify for the free test, individuals must have:

- Pre-diabetes
- Increased triglycerides
- Diabetes mellitus
- Hypertension
- Increased cholesterol
- Metabolic syndrome



“Through this partnership with the American Liver Foundation, we’re able to give our patients another tool to monitor their health and address issues early,” said David Steinmann, Fordland Clinic.

“We know that early detection saves lives, and this is another way we can break down barriers to preventive care.”

Patients who were unable to attend Fordland Clinic’s National Health Center Week, where free Liverstat tests were offered without appointments, can still take advantage of this service.

Established patients may schedule an appointment with one of Fordland Clinic’s primary care providers at the Fordland location now, with services coming soon to the Springfield and Kimberling City clinics.

About the American Liver Foundation

The American Liver Foundation promotes education, advocacy, support services, and research for the prevention, treatment, and cure of liver disease.

The Foundation reaches millions of individuals with critical resources to raise awareness and advance liver health nationwide.

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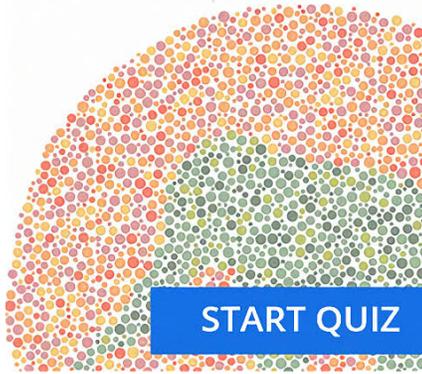
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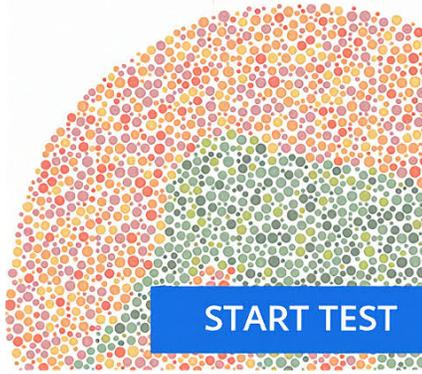
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Cardinals celebrate first fall baseball season

By Christopher Crandall
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The Niagara Cardinals baseball team recently wrapped up their first fall season of baseball in several years. With 17 players on the fall roster, the team prepared all summer by having a standard conditioning program leading up to the first practice in August and the completion of games this season this past Spring with 15 players where we played 5 games to get the players some game-time experience, said Coach Crandall.

"We were able to get a program going and help the coaching staff evaluate," said Coach Crandall.

"The fall conditioning program was really getting a feel for the coaches after having had a brief Junior Varsity season this past Spring with 15 players where we played 5 games to get the players some game-time experience, said Coach Crandall.

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The Niagara Cardinals baseball team wrapped up their first fall season in several years. (CONTRIBUTOR PHOTO)

Marshfield Veterans Day Parade SET FOR NOV. 8



The Central High School Killie Drum & Bugle Corps will once again perform in the Marshfield Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, Nov. 8, continuing their tradition of bringing music and pageantry to the annual celebration. (MAIL FILE PHOTO)

By Shelby Aikson
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Marshfield will once again honor its veterans with the 61st annual Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, Nov. 8, at 2 p.m. on the historic Webster County Square.

The parade will begin at 2 p.m. on Washington Street, near the Webster County Courthouse and will travel down the square, east along River Street to Marshall Machinery.

Wichita Kansas, one of the parade organizers, said community interest is at its highest this year. "We've had a lot of people asking about the parade since the banner went up at the WPC building."

The parade will feature a marching band, a drum and bugle corps, and a float carrying the Webster County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1234. The parade will conclude at the Webster County Courthouse.

Presiding Commissioner Paul Ippock to retire

By Shelby Aikson
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MARSHFIELD — After nearly three decades of public service, Webster County Presiding Commissioner Paul Ippock has announced he will retire at the end of the current term.

Ippock, who was first elected in 1996 and took office on January 1, 1999, said he is looking forward to spending more time with his family and pursuing other interests.

"I've been here 26 years in public service and I've had the honor of representing the citizens of Webster County. I've had the opportunity to work with some of the finest public servants I've ever known. I will miss the camaraderie and the support of my colleagues, but I am excited to move on to the next chapter of my life."

Ippock has served as a member of the Webster County Board of Health, the Webster County Board of Education, and the Webster County Board of Commissioners. He has also served as a member of the Webster County Board of Health, the Webster County Board of Education, and the Webster County Board of Commissioners.



Paul Ippock, Webster County Presiding Commissioner, will retire at the end of the current term.

No local issues this November

By Shelby Aikson
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MARSHFIELD — There will be no local issues on the ballot for the November 3, 2025, election. The Webster County Board of Commissioners has decided to hold a special election on November 3, 2025, to elect a new member to the Webster County Board of Commissioners.

The special election will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 3, 2025, at the Webster County Courthouse. The candidate for the special election is Mary Kathryn "Kitty" Manary.

Dr. Garrett Lowder appointed as Superintendent of Marshfield R-I School District effective next year

By Shelby Aikson
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MARSHFIELD — The Marshfield R-I School District has announced the appointment of Dr. Garrett Lowder as superintendent effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Dr. Lowder has served as the superintendent of the Marshfield R-I School District since 2019. He has a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership from the University of Missouri and has served as the superintendent of the Marshfield R-I School District since 2019.

Dr. Lowder has a long history of public education, with a career spanning over 20 years. He has served as the superintendent of the Marshfield R-I School District since 2019.



Dr. Garrett Lowder, Superintendent of Marshfield R-I School District, will be effective next year.

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