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Locally made Wave Armor shoreline products are the buzz

By Brenda Erdahl

Maple Lake may be a small town, but it has a treasure trove of hidden gems and one of those is Wave Armor floating docks.

A Rhino Inc. made product, this premium floating dock and port system is known throughout the United States and internationally as one of the hottest brands in shoreline products, and it's made right here in Minnesota, in our own backyard no less.

Not your grandpa's dock

This being the land of 10,000 lakes, Minnesotan's have long known the value of a good dock as a place to moor a boat and fish from, but Wave Armor brings that concept to a whole new level. With its modular design and many accessories, Wave Armor isn't just a dock, it's a sanctuary on the water. The folks at Wave Armor call it "living beyond the shoreline" and it refers to this idea of expanding your living space onto the water.

In the evolution of the dock, from wood to steel to aluminum, this is the next generation, said Director of Sales Ben Feldman. Crafted from rotomolded polyethylene, Wave Armor floating docks, boat ports and accessories are durable, functional, and aesthetically appealing. "This is not your grandfather's dock," Feldman said.

Personal Watercraft ports is where it all started. Inventor/owner Rick Johanneck wanted to create a secure and convenient option for storing watercraft completely out of the water. That desire led to the development of Wave Armor



Wave Armor shoreline products include a variety of accessories to expand your living space onto the water, including decorative flowerpots, benches, post covers, solar lights and more.

ports, which today are legendary for their durability and ease of use. Never satisfied, Johanneck went on to create an entire ecosystem of modular floating docks that can be configured in any layout, big or small with a wide variety of accessories to meet any need.

New products in 2024

Always changing and evolving, Wave Armor has developed several new products for 2024. The first is the all-new, patent-pending Power Launch System. The Power Launch makes launching your watercraft as easy as pushing a button on a remote. The battery-operated launch pushes your boat gently into the water and is compatible with Wave Armor ports.

Another new product this year is the Pro Port 170 and 220. This port is designed for aluminum and fiberglass boats up to 20 feet in length, but what really makes it special is its Sea-Doo Switch compatibility. This optional conversion kit is tailor-made for docking the Sea-Doo Switch.

The port coupled with the conversion kit has been well received in the Sea-Doo Switch community and has been recognized for its innovative design by factory representatives for Sea-Doo.

Making Wave Armor a total solution when it comes to shoreline products, is its recently released ProTect'R Canopies. When coupled with Wave Armor ports, it is the perfect solution to safeguard your boat, pontoon, or personal watercraft from the elements.

Crafted through Wave Armor's proprietary rotational molded process, the canopy features lightweight, robust trusses secured to a rigid aluminum frame ensuring durability against the elements. Its marine-grade canvas, Wavebrella™, provides supreme protection against sun, rain and debris which will preserve the integrity of your watercraft over time. It boasts a 24-inch perimeter drape for enhanced coverage with fully screened ends for ventilation, telescopic columns for almost four feet of height adjustment and an oxidation-resistant design to

ensure longevity and aesthetic appeal.

"The Protect'R Canopy is a game-changer in marine protection," Feldman said. "It combines cutting-edge design with durable materials, offering boat, pontoon, and personal watercraft owners a solution that not only shields their watercraft but does so with style and adaptability."

Epitome of innovation

Standing as the epitome of Wave Armor's innovation is the most advanced port of its kind, the Wave Armor Pontoon Port. This groundbreaking product was born from five years of dedicated research and development. Its patent-pending design ensures the entire pontoon stays elevated and protected; it's flared entrance with self-centering guides is heavy duty and user friendly for hassle free docking; it has an adjustable bow stop and cushioned rollers for precise alignment during storage and a durable rotomolded shell crafted with marine-grade EPS for maintenance-free, high density polyethylene construction which has been foam filled.

Made in Maple Lake

All Wave Armor products are made at Rhino, Inc.'s state-of-the-art facility in Maple Lake's Industrial Park and are shipped all over the United States and internationally.

Find a dealership

Locally, Anchor Dock and Lift in Annandale is a Wave

Armor dealer, and there are many more throughout the state. Visit www.wavearmor.com and click the dealer locator link to find the most convenient location for you. Wave Armor's products can also be found online, and they make great gifts for birthdays, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, and other occasions.

"After you make that initial investment, you can just keep adding, piece by piece. It is the gift that keeps on giving," Feldman said.

The secret is in its modular design that allows easy layout expansion or design changes whenever customers see fit. Wave Armor shoreline products are designed to grow with you.

Service

Wave Armor can also boast an excellent service reputation. While the quality of the product is second to none, if there is an issue Wave Armor



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representatives are available to help. Johanneck's own phone number is listed on the company's website as a resource to customers. That speaks volumes about the confidence he has in his product, Feldman said.

Owner/inventor

It has been Johanneck's commitment to product development and ultimately living the brand that has made Wave Armor the hottest brand in the marine industry today. Johanneck continues to have a burning desire to expand, grow and make his products even better.

"We're never content," Feldman said when speaking to Rick's commitment.

Family business

Rhino, Inc., parent to Wave Armor and multiple other brands, is at its core, a family business. It's Johanneck's passion for perfection and inventive spirit that drives the company forward with new, innovative designs meant to make life easier while his daughter Jennifer Johanneck-Eystad leads the company with her strategic vision as CEO.

A Litchfield native, Johanneck originated Rhino, Inc. in 1995. Since then, the rotational molding shop, what was once a small rotational molding shop that has now transformed into a 285k square foot manufacturing facility, has a portfolio of products for every season. It's family of brands include Otter, Beavertail, Rhino Tuff Tanks, American Roto Tool and of course Wave Armor.

See all Rhino has to offer at www.rhinomade.com



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Celebrate St. Patrick's Day in Maple Lake

By Brenda Erdahl

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day in Maple Lake on Saturday, March 16. This Chamber of Commerce sponsored event is fun for the entire family and includes a craft fair, parade, coronation, 5K run and more.

The day begins with the annual Spring Craft Fair at Maple Lake Elementary School from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. The fair offers a selection of quality items by area crafters including jewelry, clothing, fine arts, housewares, plush items, sweet treats, crafts and more. There is also a bake sale and lunch is available. Every year this event fills up with vendors from near and sometimes far away.

Race day registration begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Maple Lake High School for the Irish Scamper. The 5K race starts promptly at 11 a.m. at the intersection of Birch Ave and Division Street in downtown Maple Lake. The race will follow the same route as years past, a two-lap course through the "old town" of Maple Lake. Long-sleeved T-shirts will be given to racers on a first come-first-serve basis. Pre-registered runners are guaranteed a 2024 T-shirt. More information, including pre-registration opportunities can be found at raceberryjam.com.

Last year's race attracted close to 140 athletes, which was a bit fewer than normal due to cold, snowy conditions. In previous years, when it's been warmer, the race has attracted closer to 500.

Nick Lind, of Maple Lake has been the overall winner the last two years. Last year's top female finisher was 15-year-old Addie Thomes of Redwood Falls.

The race annually draws many local runners as well as runners from the metro and surrounding communities. Athletes of all ages are comfortable competing here. Last year, the oldest competitor was 79-year-old Don Benke of Wayzata and the



Look for the Parade program in the March 6th issue of the Maple Lake Messenger, then put on your most festive, green attire and find a spot along the parade route in downtown Maple Lake to kick-back and enjoy all the characters in the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 16th.

youngest to compete was six-year-old Vivian Dircks of Annandale. There is also an option to walk the 3-mile course which is very popular as well.

Proceeds for the race go towards the Maple Lake High School Track and Field Program.

The highlight of the event, the Grand Day Parade, begins at 1:30 p.m. on Division Street East by the Community Park. The route goes west on Division Street, turns south on Maple Avenue and East on 1st Street by the American Legion. The

parade ends on 1st Street West by Oak Avenue South.

The parade will feature a Grand Marshal, Commodore, royalty from a variety of communities along with Maple Lake's 2023 royalty and 2024 candidates. Many businesses will be represented in the parade as will the Maple Lake High School Marching band and enjoy the antics of the Maple Lake Washerwomen. Throughout the morning and into the afternoon, a variety of food vendors will be located on Birch Avenue where festival goers will find an assortment of snacks and goodies.

The 2024 Maple Lake royalty will be crowned after the parade, at 5:30 p.m. during the coronation ceremony at the Maple Lake High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$6 at the door but visitors can receive a \$1 discount if they bring a food shelf item. Each candidate will have a box outside the door and whoever collects the most food will win a prize.

"We try to make the night fun with

lots of contests within the contest, so it gives people a lot of opportunities to win, you know, whether they get a crown or not," organizer Joy Navarro said.

There are five candidates running for Little Miss Maple Lake, one candidate running for Junior Princess and two candidates running for Miss Maple Lake.

Don't forget to pick up your \$2 St. Patrick's Day button for a chance to win \$100. You don't need to be present to win, just look for the winning numbers published in the Maple Lake Messenger and online at www.maplelakechamber.com. If you haven't bought yours yet, pick one up at the following local businesses: Maple Lake Messenger, Lake Region/Cenex, BP Amoco, ML Lumber, Spooky Brew, Maple Lake Wine & Spirits and Subway. Money raised from button sales goes toward financing paid parade entries. This year's button was designed by Sue Hughes. Buttons will also be sold during the parade.

Throughout the day local businesses and civic organizations will also be offering St. Patrick's Day specials.

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Many St. Patrick's Day traditions are not from Ireland

Contributed report

St. Patrick's Day is made special by various traditions. Everything from dyeing major cities' rivers green to parades to enjoying green foods has become part of the pageantry of St. Patrick's Day.

The next time you raise a

green beer to your lips, you may wonder which traditions are authentically Irish and which ones were created by regions with an abundance of Irish immigrants. Surprisingly, many seemingly Irish traditions likely began elsewhere.

First parade

It would be accurate to assume that various elements associated with St. Patrick's Day began where St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, once resided, including the first St. Patrick's Day parade. However, some of the first parades held in St. Patrick's honor took place in two North American cities, New York and Boston, that had high numbers of Irish immigrants. But historians say the first ever St. Patrick's Day parade was actually held in St. Augustine, Florida in 1601, a year after gunfire blasts were used to honor the saint. The parade may have been at the request of an Irish priest living there at the time.

Corned beef and cabbage

What would St. Patrick's Day be without an authentic meal of corned beef and cabbage? This dish is not so authentic after all, and actually is an American innova-



Surprisingly, many seemingly Irish traditions, like green beer, began elsewhere.

tion. Ham and cabbage was widely eaten in Ireland, but corned beef was a cheaper alternative found in America by immigrants. Therefore, corned beef became a staple of poor Irish immigrants living in lower Manhattan. The salted meat was boiled three times to remove some of the brine and make it palatable.

Green beer

Green beer is not an Irish custom, but an American one. The most common beer consumed in Ireland is Guinness, which is dark brown to black in color, making green dye useless in Irish pubs since it would

be largely invisible in the stout.

Golf tournaments

One would not associate golf with St. Patrick's Day unless they reside in Nome, Alaska. Golf is a popular Irish pastime, and each year the Bering Sea Ice Classic Golf Tournament takes place right around St. Patrick's Day. Bright green golf balls are used, and breaks are factored in between holes to warm up at local bars.

Wearing green

According to The Christian Science Monitor, individuals in the United States started wearing green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in the early 1700s. They believed it "made one invisible to leprechauns." The official color for the holiday used to be a sky blue known as "St. Patrick's Day Blue," established during the reign of King George III.

In addition to these traditions, specialty items, such as coffees and shakes, also are very popular. However, most of these do not have origins on the Emerald Isle, either. Yet, no matter where traditions began, there's no denying St. Patrick's Day has long inspired celebration.



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Cracking the tradition of the Easter egg hunt

By Brenda Erdahl
Contributed report

Come Easter Sunday, eager children wake up to see if the Easter Bunny has visited their homes. For many families, Easter would not be the same without an annual egg hunt. From chocolate confections to money-filled plastic shells to colorful, hand-decorated hard-boiled eggs, the Easter Bunny (and his parental helpers) hide eggs all around.

As with many traditions, people may engage in the festivities without really understanding the origins behind the fun. It can be interesting to unearth just how such egg hunts were hatched.

As with many religious traditions, Easter egg coloring and hunts trace their origins to pre-Christian societies. These societies developed rit-

uals surrounding nature, the seasons and more. Some traditions were adapted to link them to the Christian faith. Eggs held associations with new life and spring. However, early Christians turned the egg into a symbol of the Resurrection and the empty shell became a representation of Christ's tomb. Eggs also were important components of the Easter holiday, as they were prohibited (like meat) during Lent. But on Easter, fasting ended and eggs were a part of Easter celebrations, particularly for the poor who couldn't afford meat.

There are two widely known accounts of the origins of Easter egg hunts. The religious version has Protestant reformer Martin Luther organizing hunts for his congregation. The men would hide the eggs for women and children to find, which mirrors Resurrection accounts in the Bible

in which women discovered Christ's empty tomb. Another account traces the tradition to the Dutch tale of the "Oschter Haws" ("Osterhase" in German), which was a hare that laid eggs in the grass. Children would build and decorate nests for the eggs and wait to see if they would be populated, according to Discovery.com. This tradition became popular in America with the arrival of Dutch and

German settlers in Pennsylvania in the 1700s.

By the 20th century, decorated Easter nests were replaced with baskets, and Osterhase was more affectionately known as the Easter Bunny, who chose to leave eggs as well as treats and candy. Easter celebrations continued to marry both the religious and secular to form many of the customs



For many families, Easter would not be the same without an annual egg hunt and there are several local hunts in the area for people to enjoy during the Easter season.

that are known widely today. Easter egg hunts are enjoyed by the young and old on Easter. They're a key part of celebrations. Just remember to find all those hard-boiled eggs in a timely fashion.

Hughes wins button design St. Patrick's Day Parade contest

The button for the 2024 St. Patrick's Day Parade was designed by Sue Hughes.



Sue Hughes is the winner of this year's button contest for the 2024 Maple Lake St. Patrick's Day, 47th annual parade on Saturday, March 16.

Her artwork featuring a sleek green hot rod with a leprechaun at the wheel will be displayed on jacket lapels and purses in the weeks leading up to the 47th annual parade.

Donna Bares took second and third place in the button contest with multiple submissions.

The button designs were judged by businesses and the festival committee, and the winner will receive \$25 in business bucks.

"We had great art submitted from a lot of artists," Chamber President Nick Pawlenty said.

Look for buttons on sale at local participating businesses and during the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 16. Money raised

from button sales go toward financing paid parade entries. Anyone who buys a button to support the parade is automatically registered to win a \$100 prize in business bucks.

Check out these local Easter Egg hunts and events

Maple Lake Lions Easter Candy Scramble

The Maple Lake Lions will hold its annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast & Easter Candy Scramble Sunday morning, March 24 at Maple Lake High School. The entire event is free, but goodwill offerings will be accepted. Children should bring their Easter baskets or something else to put their candy in. There is also a drawing for prizes. Watch the Maple Lake Messenger for more information including times as the day draws nearer.

Farside Spring Bake and Craft Sale

The Farside 4-H Club will host its second annual Spring Bake and Craft Sale on Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Maple Lake Township Hall. This is an event for the entire family. Children will enjoy petting the live alpacas, getting creative at the free make-and-take craft station and of course having their picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Parents will find crafts and baked goods homemade by 4-H members and local vendors including sourdough bread, tea, alpaca fiber products, pottery, goat milk soap, maple syrup, raw honey, jewelry and more. Spooky Brew Coffee from Maple Lake will also be on hand selling fresh brewed coffee. "It is a great way to get some Easter treats and support our club," organizers said.

Annandale Lions Easter Egg Hunt

The Annandale Lions Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, March 30. For more than 35 years, The Annandale Lions has sponsored the Easter Egg Hunt open to children under 12 years of age. The typical year involves about 100 man-hours to setup and 15 minutes to run. Volunteers prepare 500 bags of candy, 400 eggs with various prizes including a dollar coin, and four lucky winners receive a bicycle. Parents and spectators are asked to bring used eyeglasses for the Lions Eyeglass Foundation. Watch the Annandale Advocate for more information including times as the day draws nearer.

Easter fun at Monticello's Quarry Church

You and your family are invited to join in on some Easter fun at Quarry Church in Monticello, Saturday, March 30 at 11 a.m. for an annual Easter egg hunt. Quarry Church is located at 8585 MN-25, Monticello.



Have your picture taken with the Easter Bunny at the Maple Lake Township Hall Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. during the Farside 4H Clubs second annual Spring Bake and Craft Sale.

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The Maple Lake Lion's annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast and Easter Candy Scramble is a huge hit among local kids.

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Email Deep dive: Organize inboxes, attach items, avoid Spam, and more. — Tuesday, March 12, 2 to 3 p.m.

Financial Apps: How to use online banking and apps like Venmo, PayPal and more. — Tuesday, March 19, 2 to 3 p.m.

MyChart: How to set up and use your MyChart account— Tuesday, March 26, 2 to 3 p.m. Registration requested. Limit 10.

TECH TUESDAYS AT TWO AT BUFFALO GREAT RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY
Join David from Wright County Community Action for a technology series at the Buffalo Library. Some devices will be available to practice with, or bring your own!

By Brenda Erdahl

Wave off the winter blues with these Great River Regional Library programs happening at the Buffalo and Annandale locations.

Annandale Library

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten: 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a reading program designed to increase the awareness of early literacy and to encourage parents to embrace their role as their child’s first teacher. Plus, there are prizes! This program is ongoing, so you can sign up anytime! No limit, please come to the library to register. Sponsored by the Annandale Friends of the Library and the Great River Regional Library.

Popcorn and a Movie: Spring is nowhere in sight, until then borrow a DVD from our movie collection on Friday or Saturday through March 20 and take home a package of microwave popcorn to enjoy.

library directly or go online to reserve a copy of the book today! For adults and seniors. No registration required.

Tuesday, March 12, 2:30 p.m.

Tech Tutors: Trouble understanding your laptop, iPad, Kindle or other electronic devices? Would you like to download books from the library website, or use Ebooks MN but aren’t sure how to proceed? A Tech Tutor is here to help! Call ahead or drop in for individual help from a Great River Regional Librarian.

Wednesdays, March 13 and April 17, 2 to 4 p.m.

Buffalo Library

Crochet Cowl Class: Want to learn to crochet? Come learn the basics with crochet teacher and designer Abbey Swanson of The Firefly Hook. These cozy cowls are made with bulky yarn and a big hook. Come have fun and leave with a cowl around your neck! No experience necessary, all

Basic Computer & Internet Help at Annandale Great River Regional Library

Do you need help setting up an email account, doing a basic web search, using Word or Excel on your PC? An experienced volunteer is willing to help! Walk in or call ahead: 320.274.8448. Tuesday and Friday mornings, 9 to 11 a.m.

Preschool Fridays: Preschoolers are invited to the library on Fridays to interact with small learning stations that will allow exploration, playing and learning with one or two of their favorite adults. Stations are set up for participants to come and go as time and attention span permits. Stations will be rotated. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Fridays through May , Session 1 a.m. to 12 p.m. Session 2: 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Annandale Library Book Club: Looking for some engaging conversation while meeting new people? Join us at the library this winter to discuss our next book selection, The Storied Life of A.J. Fikery by Gabrielle Zevin. Call the

supplies included. Registration required, limit 12. For ages 10 and up.

Saturday March 2, 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Marvelous Mondays: ECFE Storytime: Join us for a family storytime hosted by the Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose ECFE. Program includes books read aloud, a story-based activity or craft, and time to browse the library shelves. Registration required, limit 30.

Mondays, March 4, 11, 18 & 25 and April 8, 15, 22, & 29, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Maple Syrup Time!: It is time to tap those maple trees in your backyard! Join our local

maple syrup expert, Paul as he explains how to turn that runny maple sap into the delicious syrup we all love on our pancakes. This is a great class for families. You might even get a taste! For all ages. Registration is required. Limit 20. Tuesday, March 5, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Community Spotlight Storytime: Buffalo Community Orchestra: Families are invited to this week’s Spotlight Storytime featuring the Buffalo Community Orchestra! Orchestra members will read themed books, share about the Orchestra, and complete an activity. Books are selected for developmental ages 3 to 6, but all ages welcome.

Wednesday, March 6, 10 to 11 a.m.

Drop in Tech Help: Do you have questions about your phone, computer or other technology? Drop in for tech support! A librarian will be available to work with you one-on-one with any technology questions you may have.

Thursdays, March 7 and April 4, 2 to 3 p.m.

LEGO Challenge: Join Adam from the community center for a series of LEGO Challenges! Can you build the fastest, tallest or strongest? Are you ready for the challenge? For developmental ages 6-12. Registration required. Limit 20. Friday, March 8, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Spring Preschool Storytime: Join us at the Buffalo Public Library for a storytime this spring! Each storytime will engage children’s curiosity, while developing important literacy skills and fostering a life-long love of reading and learning. Books are selected for developmental ages 3 to 6, but all ages welcome.

Wednesdays, March 13, 20 & 27 and April 3, 10, 17 & 24, 10 to 11 a.m.

Gardening Series with Master Gardeners: Join Master Gardeners from Wright County in this winter gardening series at the Buffalo Library. This session’s theme is Turf Talk: Learn about Solutions for Lawn Care. Come learn from Beth Geelan. No registration required.

Saturday, March 16, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Upcycled Book String Art: Using a hammer, nails, and different colored thread, we will create artistic designs on old book covers. There will be a few patterns to choose from or get creative and design your own! Supplies are provided but feel free to bring your own hammer.

For ages 12 and up. Registration required. Limit 10.

Wednesday, March 20, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Exploration Station: Do you enjoy building, learning, and creating? Join Mr. Gregg for hands on STEM activities that will teach young people about the world around them. Bring your imagination! Each session will bring a new building kit and experiments. Registration required. For ages 9 to 12 years. Limit 10 children, but parents or guardians are welcome to stay and work with their child.

Thursdays, March 21 and April 18, 4 to 5 p.m.

Adult Book Club: Enjoy discussion of a book from our collection that we hope will stimulate conversation every third Thursday each month. Bring suggestions of your own for future book club discussions. Books selected from GRRL’s collection of Book Club Kits. Request more information and check out this month’s book at the Buffalo Circulation Desk. Adults, limit 15.

Thursdays, March 21, April 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

ProCraftinators: Join us for an hour and a half of creating and community building! Bring your choice of craft, needlework included, or use one of our provided free crafts. Group discussions will focus on different materials, techniques, and inspiration! For teens, adults, and seniors. Registration required, limit 20.

Thursdays, March 28 and April 25, 6-7:30 p.m.

Library provided craft for March: Lady Bug and Bumblebee painted golf balls.

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Navigate the maze by beginning at the value in the black square, move through the maze by **SUBTRACTING** horizontally or vertically adjacent numbers ending at ► totaling the ending value shown.

1	1	0	0	2	5	0	1	2	9
2		4	5			3		0	1
5		4	6			6		1	2
7	9	0	3			1	2	5	0
75	3	4		1		4			4
	7	4		2		0			5
	4	1	5	0	5	2	2	3	1

UNSCRAMBLURE

Unscamble the letters to determine the words.
Hint: Each word relates to this month's CoLUREing sponsor.

O O T C E H L A C
- - - - -
L R E R B E U Y B
- - - - -
R Y P T A S
- - - - -

ANSWERS

Unscramblure Answers
Chocolate
Blueberry
Pastry

LURE WORD SEARCH

Find the words in the word bank to the right in the puzzle below.
Words may be found in any direction including diagonally and may be overlapping each other. The solution is below the word bank.

M	P	U	Y	P	Z	E	I	J	I	C	R	Q	V	G	J	Z	E	C
X	H	E	V	Y	U	P	W	K	T	F	R	I	U	P	V	F	H	S
W	I	Z	K	Q	S	G	B	N	A	E	B	N	Y	M	Y	E	L	P
D	P	U	E	D	M	O	X	Y	W	A	Z	I	C	C	X	R	I	
E	Q	O	I	W	H	I	P	P	E	D	C	N	R	O	G	V	H	
I	S	R	T	P	F	G	C	Y	X	J	H	A	P	C	A	H	R	
Z	L	S	K	A	R	I	J	Q	X	D	F	P	Q	O	E	H	I	
J	B	Z	E	L	F	D	H	O	H	Q	K	B	V	A	X	F	I	
S	N	E	N	M	G	Q	Q	P	W	U	L	V	A	R	T	I	A	
H	V	E	A	H	C	O	M	E	B	G	T	X	O	E	Z	O	P	
A	C	F	F	G	D	X	R	S	T	Q	P	A	Q	L	S	B	Y	
M	G	F	R	P	U	B	Q	H	K	A	S	E	I	A	U	C	Y	
R	K	O	O	E	I	M	B	O	N	T	U	V	T	X	L	O	O	
O	I	C	K	F	V	D	A	U	Y	A	R	O	K	T	E	O	Z	
C	A	O	Y	D	J	J	R	E	N	M	S	E	Z	Z	A	W	J	
K	V	V	F	V	X	N	I	W	R	A	V	D	M	O	R	L	E	
O	R	H	S	X	T	M	S	R	N	S	P	B	W	A	X	P	X	
G	Y	R	E	T	L	D	T	F	X	O	E	K	A	G	E	V	S	
P	Y	R	T	S	A	P	A	Y	E	W	A	R	H	F	N	R	I	
P	I	B	U	B	T	C	R	O	I	S	S	A	N	T	A	S	C	

WORD BANK

BARISTA
BEAN
BREW
COCOA
COFFEE
CREAMER
CROISSANT
ESPRESSO
LATTE
MOCHA
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 Sunrise- 6:49 a.m. Sunset- 6:07 p.m.	4	5 • Annandale Conservation Club- 7:30 p.m. • South Haven City Council Meets, 6:30 p.m. • Silver Creek Township Meeting, 7 p.m. • Corinna Township Meeting, 7 p.m. • Potluck Dinner Pioneer Park, 6:00 p.m.	6 • Maple Lake Chamber Meeting, 12 p.m. • Chamber Social 5-7pm at the Maple Lake Legion. Maple Lake Chamber businesses and their employees are welcome.	7 • Legion Riders at The Legion Club, 7 p.m.	8	9 • Monticello Women of Today Annual Spring Craft Fair, Monticello Community Center, 9am - 3pm • Polar Plunge, Sturges Park, Buffalo, Check-in Beings at 11 a.m.
10 Daylight Savings begins • Buckthorn Hiking Sticks, Robert Ney Memorial Park, Family Class, 1-2:30 pm & Adult Class 3:30-5 pm Sunrise- 7:37 a.m. Sunset- 7:16 p.m.	11 • Annandale City Council Meeting, City Hall, 7 p.m. • Maple Lake School Board Meeting 7p.m	12 • Maple Lake Schools- Late Start • Chatham Township Meeting, 7 p.m. • American Legion Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Legion Club	13 • Hasty-Silver Creek Sportsmen's Club Meeting, 7 p.m • Annandale Chamber Meets, 11:30 a.m.	14 • Sons of the American Legion, 8 p.m. at the Legion Club • Lion's Club Meeting, 7 p.m., at the V by HH	15	16 • St. Patrick's Day Parade Downtown Maple Lake 1:30 pm • Spring Craft Sale Maple Lake Elementary, 9 am-2 pm
17 St. Patrick's Day NCAA Basketball – Selection Sunday Sunrise- 7:24 a.m. Sunset- 7:25 p.m.	18 • Annandale School Board Meeting, AES Media Center, 7 p.m	19 First Day of Spring Maple Lake City Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m Corinna Township Meeting, 7 p.m. Maple Lake Township Meeting, 7 p.m. Albion Township Meeting, 7 p.m. Silver Creek Township Meeting, 7 p.m.	20 • Maple Lake VFW Post 7664, at the Maple Lake Legion, 7 p.m.	21 • Wright Saddle Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m. • Maple Lake Legion Auxiliary Meets 7 pm	22	23
24 Palm Sunday Sunrise- 7:10 a.m. Sunset- 7:34 p.m. • Maple Lake Lion's Pancake Breakfast & Candy Scramble Easter Sunrise- 6:57 a.m. Sunset- 7:43 p.m. Easter Sunday	25 • NO School March 25-29 Annandale & Maple Lake Schools, Spring Break, ○ Full Moon	26 • NO School March 25-29 Annandale & Maple Lake Schools, Spring Break, • Wright County Snowmobile Association Meeting - American Legion, 7:30 p.m.	27 • NO School March 25-29 Annandale & Maple Lake Schools, Spring Break,	28 • NO School March 25-29 Annandale & Maple Lake Schools, Spring Break,	29 Good Friday • NO School March 25-29 Annandale & Maple Lake Schools, Spring Break	30 • Annandale Lion's Easter Egg Hunt • Twin Cities Auto Show Begins, Minneapolis Convention Center

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