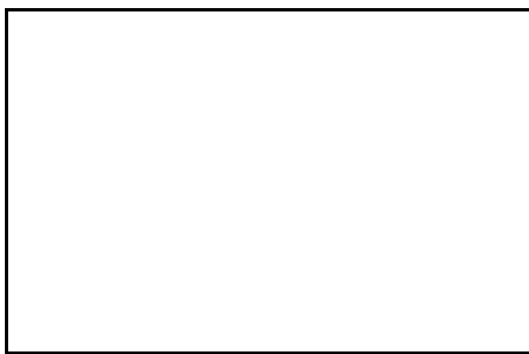




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Open House Weekend

November 17, 2009

The Treasure Chest Open House



Saturday 21st - 9am - 5pm
Sunday, 22nd - 11am - 4pm

A large selection for
Holiday Gifts and Decorating
Located on the Square
Downtown Galesville



Open House Eastside Farm Arnold House

Nov. 21st - 9am-4pm

Gingerbread Men Brigade and
Bake Sale
Homemade Holiday
Baked Goods and Gifts
Audrey's Porcelain Dolls on Sale
Tour the AA Arnold House
Enjoy Hot Cider and holi



You're Invited to Stop In and Wish

Darrell Olson
A Happy 50th Birthday
Friday, November 20th

Party : 4pm - 8pm
Mike's Bar & Grill



Sunset Gardens 608-582-2732

Open House

Saturday 8am - 5pm
Sunday 10am - 3pm

Refreshments
Door Prizes * Gifts

Additional 50% off our
Bargain Area

The Rainbow Restaurant Blair

Will be Open at 4:30 am
Saturday, Nov. 21st
Opening Day of Gun Hunting

The Rainbow Restaurant
will be closed on
Thanksgiving Day,
November 26th

Area Lutheran Church Deer Hunter's Service Wednesday, November 18th - 7pm

South Beaver Creek Lutheran Church (7 miles east of Ettrick on County Rd. D)
Short worship Service * Lunch * Program
Program features master wood carver, Art Donnelly of Melrose,
Also known as "Unique Horn" at local fur trading Rendezvous
Art has a God-given talent for being able to carve exact replicas of deer antlers.
Please bring your favorite antlers to show.
There will also be a hiking stick raffle.
A free-will offering for the lunch will go to a local food pantry.
All are invited to attend - men, women and children!



Coffee & Cookies At the Centerville Co-op

Saturday, Nov 21st
8am - Noon

608-539-3311



You're Invited To the Christmas Open House at The Common Market Galesville Town Square

Stop in for refreshments
And browse around
Saturday
November 21st



Christmas At The Beach

November
21st

All at Beaches Corner

◆Pre-Dawn Hunters Breackfast
4am - Beach Corner Tap
◆Arts & Crafts Fair

Happy 85th Birthday Janice Johnson

November 3rd



Rainbow Community Club's 32nd Annual Hometown Holiday Fair

Sunday, Nov 22nd
9am - 3:30pm
Independence High School
Admission \$1 -
12 & Under - Free
Arts & Crafts & Lunch,
Along with refrigerator Desserts
throughout the day

The Craft Barn & Ammo N Camo

Saturday, November 21st

Join us for our "6AM Sale" * Yes, we will open at 6am.

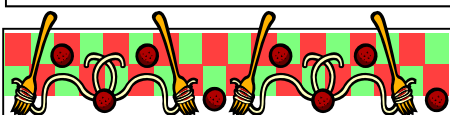
- The first 10 people, over the age of 16, will receive a \$10 gift certificate good that day.
- The second 10 people, over the age of 16, will receive their choice of a short or long sleeve Wrangler camouflage T-Shirt.

We'll have muffins and coffee on November 21st

November 20, 21 & 22, 2009

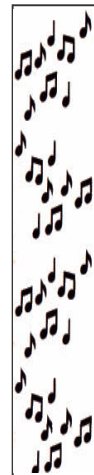
November 20th-22nd: Holiday Open House

For every \$10 you spend in our store these three days
you will earn a Craft Barn "Buck" good on future purchases!
Our popular metal Christmas ornaments will be 3 for \$1.00
(We'll have different ornaments all 3 days!)



Treat yourself
November 21st
11am - Gone
Spaghetti & Alfredo
Lunch Special
Sonsalla's Coffee Attic
Trempealeau
Ask about Seasonal Latees

Girl Scout Cookies
Available at The Craft Barn
November 21st.. 10am - 2pm



It's Tradition

Live Music
6pm - 9pm

Wednesday,
November 25th

Thanksgiving Eve
Wason's Supper
Club

Don't miss this surprise group!

TOWNER-LITTLE BEAR-ARNOLD

VFW POST 1915
POULTRY PARTY
7:00 P.M.

Saturday, Nov. 21st

VFW Hall in Trempealeau

WIN

Turkeys, Hams and
Door Prizes!

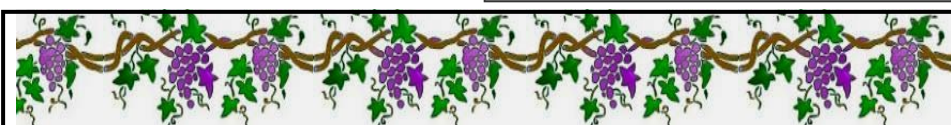
Everyone is invited
to this 50+ Year
Trempealeau-Area Tradition!

Winter Farmers Market

November 21st
9am - 3pm

In the Tropple Building
"On The Square"
Downtown Galesville

Also looking for Vendors
Call 582-4301



The Historic Trempealeau Hotel Holiday Art Fair & Wine Tasting Saturday, November 21st * 11am-4pm

Wine tasting featuring local and organic wines, fine cheeses, the Trempealeau Hotel's amazing cuisine, AND fine arts and crafts...
what more can you ask for in an afternoon?

Watch the G-E-T High School Choir perform live at the Annual WXOW 19 Christmas Concert at Viterbo University

Monday, December 7th, 2009 at 6:40pm

G-E-T is 1 of 8 schools in the area asked to be a part of this Christmas concert.

Come out and show your support for the G-E-T High School Choir and enjoy a night filled with holiday music.

Admission is free • Non perishable food items are welcome
This concert will also be televised on Christmas Eve.

In Memory

Francel Christianson
Feb 10, 1914 - Nov. 11, 2009

Music Schedule

November 30: Trempealeau Elementary

Vocal Concert, Grades 3-5
at Trempealeau Elementary -7 pm.

December 3: Ettrick Elementary

Vocal Concert, Grades 3-5
at Ettrick Elementary - 7 pm.

December 7th: Galesville Elementary

Vocal Concert, Grades 3-5
at G-E-T High School - 7 pm.

December 10th: Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau

Middle School Choir
at G-E-T High School @ 7:30 pm.

December 14th: Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau

High School Band
at the G-E-T High School - 7:30 pm.

December 17th: Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau

Middle School Band
at G-E-T High School - 7:30 pm.

December 21st: Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau

High School Choir
at G-E-T High School - 7:30 pm.



"Excuse me, is that The Chat?"

I heard a voice say when my sister, sister-in-law, and I were folding Chats the other morning in the waiting room at the hospital. "Yes," was my reply.

"They're hard to get up our way. We're from Taylor. Do you think we could have a couple?" It was Lorrie Beaman and Jean Buhr. Some might know the family as milk testers. They were in the hospital with their Dad, Kenny Hjernevik. "He Worked with Curtis Marsh from Galesville. Do you know him?" "Sure do." It wasn't five minutes later and Jane Shuda was over to get a copy. She was working the desk in the waiting room... That's kind of how The Chat goes.....



Did you know...

There was a time in Galesville, you could only get electric service for your flat irons one day each week, or two half days.

Notice from The Chat

I would like all items for the November 24th Issue
By Friday Noon
November 20th

With deer hunting just around the corner, I thought it would be fun to share the old Charley Thomas deer story.

Charles was an old pioneer from Trempealeau. C.W. Thomas, according to record, was born in 1834. He is listed in the 1860 census as a resident of Trempealeau. Charles Thomas died in 1916. It was around the turn of the century that he was telling this story. He had a little store across from the Northwestern depot in Trempealeau. He always said "but three trains have gone through on the Northwestern road in that time without his being on the depot platform."

As he was recalling earlier times, he recited from days of Black River. "In those days," said Charley, "it wasn't necessary to hike off to the north woods to shoot deer. Big game was more plentiful on Black River than grasshoppers ever were along the Southern Minnesota road. In fact, it was a common occurrence for woodsmen to knock a deer in the head with an ax while returning to shanties.

But I had an experience one day that was quite exciting for all. I was poling two cribs of lumber down the Black from the old Douglas mill at North Bend. With a pike pole I could handle the small raft easily alone, and where there was a long stretch of channel I could stretch out and rest and let the raft float. I had a well-worn copy of Robinson Crusoe and was just in the middle of an interesting chapter as I floated along close to the shore on the Decora Prairie side of the river. I was so absorbed in the book that I had forgotten all about the lumber and was imagining myself somewhere on a lonely island when there was a splash close to the water's edge, and jumping up I saw a noble buck heading across the river. I grabbed my pike pole and made a thrust for the deer and as luck would have it I speared him through the ear and into a plank just as he swung by the corner of the raft. The deer was so frightened that he didn't seem to make any effort to break away; so, grabbing a coil of rope, I flung a noose over his head and soon had him fast. Then I pulled him up on the raft. Before I got to McGilvray's ferry, that deer was eating the scraps of my lunch out of my hand. When I tied up the raft at McGilvray's I didn't know what to do with the animal, not having anything to slaughter him with. While I was puzzling my mind a bunch of hunters came up and demanded the deer, claiming they had chased him into the river. I let them argue the matter for a while and then informed them that the deer was mine by right of conquest, and, taking the rope in my hand, I led that buck straight into Trempealeau."

At the time the article was written, Charley Thomas still had the deer head.

Upcoming Events at the Manor

* **Thursday, November 19th - 2:15**
Church & Communion with
Pastor Haney

* **Friday, November 20th - 2:30**
Monthly Birthday Party with Music by
Study Club

* **Saturday, November 21st - 2:30**
Music by Russell, Gary & Frances

* **Sunday, November 22nd - 3:00**
Music by Jake Ilika

* **Monday, November 23rd - 6:45**
Music by Ryan Herman

* **Tuesday, November 24th - 10:30**
Music by John Bernadot

* **Wednesday, November 25th - 2:30**
Music by John Ofstedahl

Former piano students ...

Did you remember to return your books.

"The new harem skirt reached Trempealeau, and two young women are rehearsing wearing them before appearing on the streets." That's the way it was reported in March, 1911.



Light Up Galesville

Don't forget your tree!

And more on the snake...

Audrey McKeeth handed me this note from Carroll Bell. She sends The Chat The Chat to him...

"What an interesting article about the girl and the flowers and the snake on Trempealeau Mountain. Do you suppose it was the snake or the flowers that hypnotized her?"

It reminds me of a hill on the north side of our farm in West Prairie. It came to a point at the top with layers of rock sticking out of sides at the top, we called it "The Peak" and as a kid I liked to hike up there, bare-footed and sit at the top with my bare feet hanging over the rock edges. I could enjoy looking over the farms and the creek running through and imagine I could see the Mississippi River in the distance.

Then one day a man came our house with a sack of rattlesnake tails he was bringing to get paid a bounty for them, Dad being the township treasurer at the time. We asked "Where did you find them and he said, "On that hill over there," pointing to 'the Peak'. He said there were lots of snakes under the rocks and he used a pole with a hook on the end to pull them out where he could kill them and cut off their tails. Needless to say, I didn't go up there much after that, at least not bare-footed. ...

I enjoy the paper very much and read it over and over. "

Gather Everyone Together Third Annual Galesville-Ettrick-Trempealeau Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, November 26, 2009

Free to all ages who wish to share a true Thanksgiving Dinner from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
At the New G-E-T Middle School
Reservations greatly appreciated
Cal: 608-534-6890 or 608-534-6118
no later than November 20.

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Open extra days in December:
The 11th thru 13th; 18th thru 23rd
And open December 24th 'til Noon

20th Annual Craft Show

November 28th
10am - 2pm
Community Center - Ettrick

Large Assortment of
Gifts for Christmas
St. Bridget's Bake Sale



"Can I print it?" I asked as we were standing at the counter.
The new digital devices, even at night provide wonderful wildlife photos.

Don't forget the Hat & Mitten Drive At the Co-op Credit Union.

Reusing Style with Nickles Flooring, Furniture, and Videos

Holiday Open House

Sat November 21st * 9am - 6pm

► 2010 Lang Calendars - 20% off

► Come see our in-stock floor specials that can be installed in time for the holidays.

► Everything at reduced prices - One Day Only

► Super Specials on Gift Certificates

Coffee & Bars