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LOCAL AREA EVENTS

JANUARY

Sno-Fliers Dance | Belview
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Gun Show | Morton
Armchair Travel Series | Redwood Falls
Toastmasters | Redwood Falls
Jingo Bingo | Morton
Young Professionals Luncheon | Marshall
Storytelling Workshop | Marshall

FEBRUARY

Chef's Dinner | Redwood Falls
Fire & Ice | Redwood Falls
Women's Connect | Marshall

MARCH

Lamberton Jazz Festival | Lamberton
KLGR Home Show | Redwood Falls

APRIL

City-Wide Rummage Sales | Belview
Easter Egg Hunt | Redwood Falls
Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt | Tracy
Tracy Sportsman's Show | Tracy
Ultimate Bazaar | Vesta
Stampede Glow Run 5k | Marshall

MAY

Memorial Day Program | Belview
Captain Dan Fun Days | Lucan
Tracy Women's Expo | Tracy

JUNE

Balaton Fun Fest | Balaton
Garvin Park Open House | Garvin
BrauFest | Lucan
Rubber Duck Race | Minneota
City & Country Days | Morgan
Community Parade | Redwood Falls
Minnesota Invention & Idea Show | Redwood Falls
Lower Sioux Pow-Wow | Redwood Falls
Rotary Fly-In Breakfast | Redwood Falls
Band Wagon Days | Russell
Lions Bar-B-Que & All Fest | Wabasso

JULY

Quasiquicentennial Celebration | Cottonwood
Coming Home Days | Cottonwood
Festival of Kites | Marshall
Redwood County Fair | Redwood Falls
Watermelon Days | Sanborn
Polka Fest | Seaforth
Laura Ingalls Wilder Pageant | Walnut Grove
Family Festival | Walnut Grove

AUGUST

Small Town Saturday Night Celebration | Belview
Belgian American Days | Ghent
Lyon County Fair | Marshall
Sounds of Summer | Marshall
FarmFest | Redwood Falls
Farmfest | Morgan

SEPTEMBER

Quasiquicentennial Celebration | Belview
Old SOD Day | Belview
Hot Iron Days | Lamberton
Boxelder Bug Days | Minneota
Fall Festival & Grape Stomp | Redwood Falls
Box Car Days | Tracy

OCTOBER

Halloween Party | Belview
Governor's Pheasant Opener | Marshall
Harvest Savings | Redwood Falls

NOVEMBER

Christmas by Candlelight | Redwood Falls
Elfin' Magic Craft Show | Redwood Falls
Holiday Craft Fair | Wabasso

DECEMBER

Santa Day | Belview

**For more information on events throughout the area, visit online: www.exploreminnesota.com.*



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Sheriff637-4036
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Building Maintenance829-3327
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Emergency Management537-7612
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Human Services537-6088
Parks Department629-4081
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Once part of Brown and Blue Earth Counties, Redwood County was founded in 1862 and named in honor of the local Redwood River. The first permanent settlers arrived in 1864 and most claimed land near forests and rivers. A post office was established by John R. Thompson and the county was officially organized in 1865. A school was constructed the following year and more settlers arrived to claim land. The first newspaper, the Redwood Gazette, was published in 1869 and as the railroad arrived, Redwood County grew dramatically. Hotels, businesses, lumber yards, grist mills and granite mining companies were established and by 1900, the population of Redwood County had reached 17,261. Today Redwood County is home to approximately 16,815 residents.

CITIES:

BELVIEW – pop. 412
CLEMENTS – pop. 191
DELHI – pop. 693
LAMBERTON – pop. 859
LUCAN – pop. 226
MILROY – pop. 271
MORGAN – pop. 903
REDWOOD FALLS (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 5,549
REVERE – pop. 100
SANBORN – pop. 434
SEAFORTH – pop. 77
VESTA – pop. 339
WABASSO – pop. 643
WALNUT GROVE – pop. 599
WANDA – pop. 103

TOWNSHIPS:

BROOKVILLE – pop. 241
CHARLESTOWN – pop. 202
DELHI – pop. 277
GALES – pop. 136
GRANITE ROCK – pop. 226
HONNER – pop. 59
JOHNSONVILLE – pop. 157
KINTIRE – pop. 199
LAMBERTON – pop. 219
MORGAN – pop. 284
NEW AVON – pop. 226
NORTH HERO – pop. 161
PAXTON – pop. 527
REDWOOD FALLS – pop. 238
SHERIDAN – pop. 236
SHERMAN – pop. 281
SPRINGDALE – pop. 200
SUNDOWN – pop. 225
SWEDES – pop. 113
THREE LAKES – pop. 174
UNDERWOOD – pop. 202
VAIL – pop. 254
VESTA – pop. 193
WATERBURY – pop. 206
WESTLINE – pop. 190
WILLOW LAKE – pop. 230
**Populations are approximate.*

BELVIEW

First recognized as Jones Siding and later Rolling Prairie, Belview was established in the 1860's as reservation lands were opened for settlement. As the railroad arrived in 1884, Belview continued to grow. Early industry was dominated by agriculture and more settlers arrived to farm the fertile land. In 1887 a post office was established and the community was platted in 1889. Today Belview is home to approximately 376 residents.

LAMBERTON

Lamberton was platted in the early 1860's and was home to many who farmed the lush and fertile lands. The farmers were carried there by horses and oxen which were not only an effective form of transportation, but also the only way for settlers to plow the land. Lamberton's streets were and still are measured by how much room it took for two span of oxen and covered wagons to turn around. By 1900, a post office, blacksmith shop, banks, schools and churches were thriving. Today Lamberton is home to approximately 771 residents.

REDWOOD FALLS (COUNTY SEAT)

Redwood Falls is the county seat of Redwood County and was originally opened to settle in 1864, just two years after the Dakota Uprising. It was at this time that Colonel Sam McPhail was the first to settle where Redwood Falls is today. Besides Redwood Falls, McPhail also founded the cities of Caledonia and Brownville, and was also an early land owner of Beaver Falls. McPhail operated the first newspaper, The Redwood Falls Patriot, was the first judge of probate, first road supervisor, and first county attorney. In 1878 the Minnesota Valley Railroad made its first commercial run through Redwood Falls. Redwood Falls is known throughout Minnesota as "The Scenic City" and was given the name because of the rugged scenic beauty. Today Redwood Falls is home to approximately 5,459 residents.

SANBORN

Sanborn is a village which was platted in 1881 and incorporated in 1891. It was named after a prominent railroad official named Sherburn Sanborn. With the arrival of railway lines, Sanborn began to grow and a variety of businesses and grain elevators were established and the community continued to grow. Today Sanborn is home to approximately 410 residents.

WABASSO


Wabasso was settled in the 1880's and early industry was agricultural based. As the railroad arrived, the community began to grow. By 1900 grain elevators, saloons, churches, schools, banks and a blacksmith shop were thriving. The community incorporated and continued to develop. In January of 2000, Wabasso celebrated its centennial anniversary. Today Wabasso is home to approximately 643 residents.

WALNUT GROVE

The town of Walnut Grove started in the 1870's shortly after the Civil War had ended. At this time pioneers settled primarily along the banks of the Plum Creek. The first school was established in 1873 when Lafayette Bedal, the town's first postmaster, opened his home to school age children and began holding classes. In 1879 Walnut Grove was officially incorporated as a city and was named after the beautiful grove of walnut trees near the town. Walnut Grove is most notable for its association with the story of Little House on the Prairie and Laura Ingalls Wilder. It is also home to the Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum and the Ingalls Dugout site where visitors can explore the landmarks Laura had described. Today Walnut Grove is home to approximately 599 residents.

WANDA


Wanda was platted in 1899 as a railway village as settlers were attracted to the fertile soil and ample timber. Its name was derived from the Ojibway word, "Wanenda," meaning forgetfulness. In 1900 the first post office was founded and the community began to grow. In 1906 Wanda was incorporated and businesses were established to meet the growing needs of its residents. Today Wanda is home to approximately 103 residents.



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Once part of Wabasha County, Lyon County was founded in 1853 and named in honor of George Nathaniel Lyon. The first permanent settler in Lyon County was T. W. Castor who claimed land in Stanley Township. A variety of settlers soon followed and by 1868, the population of Lyon County had grown dramatically. Early settlements were located near the Cottonwood and Redwood Rivers and a post office was established in Lynd Township in 1868 with D. M. Taylor serving as the area's first postmaster. Hotels, businesses, lumbering camps and grist mills were founded and the county was officially organized in 1870. Churches and schools were built, attracting more settlers to the area. With the arrival of the railroad in 1872, development was rapid and Marshall was selected as the County Seat. By 1900 the population had reached 14,591 and Lyon County was widely recognized as one of the richest agricultural counties in Minnesota. Today Lyon County is home to approximately 25,425 residents.

CITIES:

BALATON – pop. 637
COTTONWOOD – pop. 1,148
FLORENCE – pop. 61
GARVIN – pop. 159
GHENT – pop. 315
LYND – pop. 346
MARSHALL (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 12,735
MINNEOTA – pop. 1,449
RUSSELL – pop. 371
TAUNTON – pop. 207
TRACY – pop. 2,268

TOWNSHIPS:

AMIRET – pop. 224
CLIFTON – pop. 280
COON CREEK – pop. 274
CUSTER – pop. 214
EIDSVOLD – pop. 217
FAIRVIEW – pop. 473
GRANDVIEW – pop. 301
ISLAND LAKE – pop. 205
LAKE MARSHALL – pop. 456
LUCAS – pop. 253
LYND – pop. 450
LYONS – pop. 205
MONROE – pop. 235
NORDLAND – pop. 247
ROCK LAKE – pop. 272
SHELBURNE – pop. 175
SODUS – pop. 274
STANLEY – pop. 248
VALLERS – pop. 237
WESTERHEIM – pop. 278
**Populations are approximate.*

COTTONWOOD

Cottonwood was platted in 1888 as a Great Northern Railway village in the Lucas Township. It received its name from the adjacent lake, which has many cottonwood trees on its shoreline. Cottonwood is home to the Norseth-Larsen House, built by Martin Norseth, one of the first residents of Cottonwood in 1898. It is considered a landmark in the city and boasts many historically significant materials. Today Cottonwood is home to approximately 1,148 residents.

GHENT

Ghent was a railway village platted in 1878 and later incorporated in 1899. At first, Ghent bore the name of its township. It was not until September 1881 that it was renamed after the ancient city of Ghent in Belgium. The name change was based on the fact that many who settled in the area in the 1880's were Belgian colonists lead by Bishop Ireland to settle in this part of the country. As the railroad arrived, Ghent continued to grow and develop. Today Ghent is home to approximately 315 residents.

LYON COUNTY COMMUNITIES

MARSHALL (COUNTY SEAT)

Marshall, the current county seat, was founded in 1872 by the Winona and St. Peter Railroad Company. In 1888 a second railroad company, the Great Northern Railroad, arrived, making Marshall a booming town. Since the late 1880's Marshall has functioned as an important part of the region's economy. It was platted out in 26 blocks with 126 lots for homes, 144 lots for businesses and 28 miscellaneous lots. Marshall became the county seat of Lyon County in 1873, just one year after it was platted. In 1889 the Marshall Milling Company was opened. This was Marshall's entry into the industrial revolution and created the industrial climate that presently exists. Today Marshall is home to approximately 12,735 residents.

MINNEOTA

Minneota was platted in 1881 as a railway village in Eidsvold Township. It has a Sioux name meaning "much water" based on its geographical location. Professor A.W. Williamson wrote of Minneota's origin, he says "it is said to be so named by an early settler on account of an abundance of water flowing into his well." Today Minneota is home to approximately 1,449 residents.

TRACY

Tracy was established in 1870 as a prominent railroad center in Minnesota, named in honor of John F. Tracy, a former president of the Tracy Railway Company. Tracy was later platted in 1875 and incorporated as a village in 1881. Its first library was opened in 1880 and the area continued to grow. It is known nationwide for its annual Labor Day weekend "Box Car Day" celebration. Today Tracy is home to approximately 2,268 residents.

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BOARDS & BLADES SKATE PARK

Located near Marshall, Boards and Blades Skate Park features a full concession stand, half pipe, quarter pipe, advanced fun box, bank ramps, step pad and rails for skateboard and rollerblade enthusiasts.

CAMDEN STATE PARK

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GARVIN PARK

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GILFILLAN ESTATES

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KUHAR PARK

Located near Lamberton, Kuhar Park features a campground, playground equipment, picnic shelter and tables.

MULTI-SKATE PARK

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PLUM CREEK REGIONAL PARK

Located on 205 acres near Lake Laura, Plum Creek Park features a campground, hiking path, 9 hole frisbee disc course, playground equipment, bathhouses, a gazebo, picnic shelter and tables, softball fields and volleyball courts.

SANBORN MEMORIAL PARK

Located near the Cottonwood River, Sanborn Memorial Park features a campground, playground equipment, bathhouses, picnic shelter and tables and a volleyball court.

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Raccoon, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Badger, Opossum (North) Hunting & Trapping 10/15/16 - 03/15/17	Sandhill Crane season-NW zone-Tentative 09/10/16 - 10/16/16
Crow Hunting (3rd season) 09/01/16 - 10/31/16	Ruffed and Spruce Grouse, Hungarian Partridge season 09/17/16 - 01/01/17
Crow Hunting (4th season) 12/15/16 - 12/31/16	Sharptailed Grouse season 09/17/16 - 11/30/16
Fall Turkey season 10/01/16 - 10/30/16	Woodcock season 09/24/16 - 11/07/16
Bear Baiting start date 08/12/16	Prairie Chicken Hunt Lottery Deadline 08/19/16
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11/26/16 - 01/08/17

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10/29/16 - 05/15/17

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zone
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10 Tips for Green Thumb GARDENING

Don't like all the dirt in your fingernails while you work in the garden? Before you go out, run your fingernails across a bar of soap and you'll effectively seal the undersides of your nails so dirt cannot accumulate. Then, after you are all done gardening, use a toothpick or nailbrush to remove the soap and your nails will be sparkling clean.



2. Spray vegetable oil on your string trimmer to help prevent jamming or breaking (Treat before installing string in trimmer).



3. Make a convenient measuring tool out of a long handled garden tool by laying it on the ground next to a tape measure. Use a permanent marker to copy the inches and feet. Next time you are spacing plants you already have a dual-purpose measuring tool in your hand!

Write the names of your plants (with a permanent marker) on the flat parts of stones of any size and lay them in front of your plants for natural looking markers.



5. The next time you boil or steam vegetables, use the leftover water to water potted patio plants, and you'll be surprised at how the plants grow with "vege-soup."

You can use leftover tea and coffee grounds to help acidify the soil of acid-loving plants like azaleas, rhododendrons, camellias, gardenias and blueberries. A light sprinkle of about 1/4 of an inch applied once a month will help keep the pH of the soil on the acidic side.



7. You can use chamomile tea to control damping-off fungus, which often attacks young seedlings quite suddenly. Just add some tea to the soil around the soil of seedlings once a week for healthy plant.

Here is a really quick way to dry out your herbs: Just lay a sheet of newspaper on the seat of your car, arrange the herbs in a single layer, then roll up the windows and shut the car doors. Your herbs will be dry in no time!



9. Use your blender to grind up egg shells. Just like a mother bird chews up worms for the baby birds making the food easier to digest, grinding eggshells makes it easy for your garden to absorb the calcium egg shells retain.

Animals (cats especially) seem to think all of the hard work you've put into your garden looks like a huge litter box. To keep them from pooping on your basil and other plants, strategically place a few plastic forks around your plants to deter them from destroying your fresh herbs, fruits, and vegetables.



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Fall Preparation & Clean Up

- Clean out the gutters.
- Clean or replace dirty furnace filters.
- Clean humidifiers by replacing old filters and clean the inside compartment.

- Drain and winterize outdoor faucets and irrigation systems.
- Winterize air conditioning unit (depending on climate).
- Remove fallen leaves from the lawn and fertilize.
- Service sprinklers and irrigation system.
- Put away seasonal furniture.
- Put up storm windows.

- Repair damaged sidewalks, driveways and steps.
- Seal windows and cracks around the house.
- Insulate the duct work in your home.

- Test smoke and CO monitors also inspect fire extinguishers.
- Get the furnace and water heater checked by a professional.
- Check fireplaces for soot or creosote build-up.
- Get your winter equipment ready.
- Inspect your roof for damage.

FISHING SEASONS

Species	Season	Possession Limit
Walleye and Sauger	5/14/16 - 2/26/17	6 combined, not more than one walleye over 20"
Northern Pike	5/14/16 - 2/26/17	3, not more than one over 30"
Muskellunge	6/4/16 - 12/1/16	1, minimum size 54"
Northeast zone, north and east of US Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County.		
Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	5/14/16 - 2/26/17	6 combined
Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	5/14/16 - 5/27/16	Catch-and-release only
Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	5/28/16 - 9/11/16	6 combined
Largemouth Bass	9/12/16 - 2/26/17	6
Smallmouth Bass	9/12/16 - 2/26/17	Catch-and-release only
Crappie	Continuous	10
Sunfish	Continuous	20
Rock Bass	Continuous	30
White Bass	Continuous	30
Channel Catfish	Continuous	5 in combination with Flathead Catfish, only 1 fish over 24"
Flathead Catfish	4/1/16 - 11/30/16	2, only 1 fish over 24" in combination with Channel Catfish
Perch	Continuous	20 daily and 40 in possession
Bullhead	Continuous	100
Whitefish and Under-Utilized Fish	Continuous	No limit
Smelt	Continuous	No limit
Including Lake Superior and St. Louis River		
Lake and Shovelnose Sturgeon	3/1/16 - 4/14/16	Catch-and-release only, no tag needed
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Lake and Shovelnose Sturgeon	6/16/16 - 4/14/17	Catch-and-release only, no tag needed
Paddlefish	No open season	

*Contact the MN DNR for specific zone information by calling:
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The winter can be tough for everyone. During these months you find yourself dealing with cold temperatures, ice, and snow. Here are a few ways to make your winter safer and more enjoyable.

Prevent slips and falls on ice.

- Wear cleats on your boots or shoes while outdoors.
- Take your boots or shoes off when indoors. They may have snow or ice on the bottom making them slick on smooth surfaces.
- Salt and sand driveway and sidewalks or have someone do it for you.
- Step down when getting out of a car or off a curb instead of stepping out.

Keeping warm

Before going outside in the wintertime you need to prepare yourself to prevent things like hypothermia or frostbite. Warning signs of hypothermia include, lots of shivering, cold skin that is pale or ashy, feeling very tired, confused and sleepy, feeling weak, problems walking, slowed breathing or heart rate. Warning signs of frostbite include, skin that's white or ashy (for darker skin) or grayish-yellow (for lighter skin), skin that feels hard or waxy, and numbness. Dress in Layers when going outside. For the best results, wear polypropylene or another man-made fabric next to the skin, a knit middle layer, and a man-made outer layer. Never stay in the cold if you have wet or damp clothing, it cools the body more quickly. Depending on the temperature or wind chill you may want to cover all exposed skin to reduce the risk of hypothermia or frostbite.

Carbon monoxide poisoning and fires

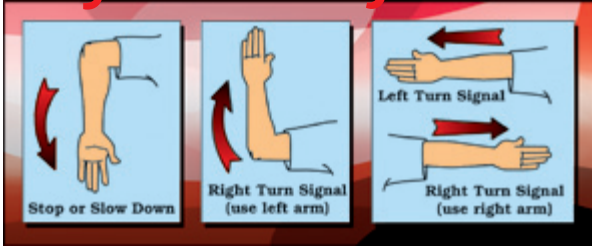
During the winter months the risks of carbon monoxide poisoning and fires is much greater due to the different heating methods used to stay warm. While trying to stay warm we are heating our houses with fire places, furnaces, electric heaters, and boilers. When one of these heating methods fail or stop working properly there are potential safety hazards.

- Make sure carbon monoxide detector and fire alarms are working properly.
- Have fireplace and chimney cleaned or furnace and boiler inspected.
- Make sure electric heaters are working properly and not too close to anything flammable.
- Keep a fire extinguisher easily accessible in the areas of your home that have a potential fire hazard.
- Never try heating your home with things that are not made for it like, a stove, oven, or grill.

Winter Driving

- Don't drive in bad weather unless you have to.
- Never use cruise control on snowy, icy, or wet surfaces.
- Increase your following distance.
- Have a phone on you and let someone know your plans.
- Check your car or get it inspected to make sure things like the tires, antifreeze, window wipers, window washer fluid, oil, battery, and other components are up to date and working properly.
- Stock your car with emergency supplies like a first aid kit, extra warm clothes or blankets, jumper cables, shovel, window scraper, a warning device like a flare or caution lights and a material like kitty litter or sand in case you get stuck on ice.
- Keep your gas tank close to full in case you end up stuck or stranded and to prevent gas line freeze.
- Clear off the entire car for increased visibility.
- Never warm up your vehicle in an enclosed area like a garage.

Bicycle Hand Signals



Snowmobile Hand Signals

Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic. Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.

Slowing

Right Turn

Stop

Left Turn

Sleds Following

Last Sled in Line

Oncoming Sleds



Read the owner's manual

- and know your vehicle thoroughly.
- Check your vehicle before you ride.
- Wear protective equipment and clothing.
- Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders.
- Supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider.
- Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions.
- Stay to the right on trails.
- Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands
- Know the weather forecast.
- Make sure headlights and taillights work properly.
- Maintain safe distances between other riders.
- Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

Know Your ATV

Drink lots of Water!

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.

Be Cautious of Other Bikers

PRIVATE PROPERTY
NO TRESPASSING

Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution

on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATV's on county roads or state highways.

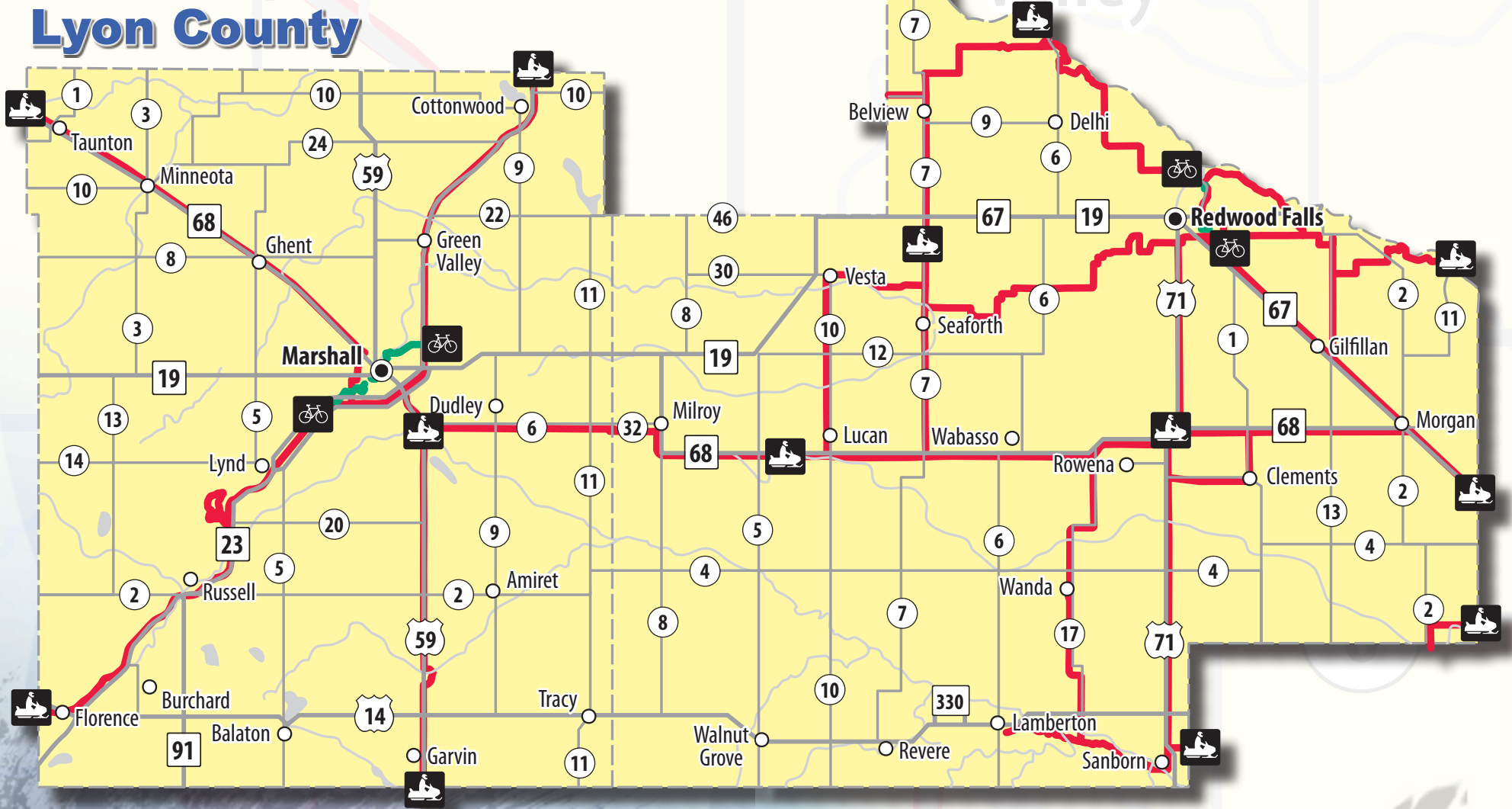
- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

Slow Down!

Snowmobiling is fun. Going to the hospital isn't.



Lyon County



Snowmobile Trail



Bicycle Trail/Route

PARENTS:

- Teach your kids that an emergency is when you need help from a doctor, a police officer or a firefighter.
- Designate a safe place by your house that a child can go to if they need help right away.
- Have your kids memorize your address and phone numbers. They should also know your full name and where you work.

KIDS:

FIRE SAFETY

- If you or someone else is on fire - remember to STOP, DROP and ROLL. Wrap a blanket on the person to help put out the fire.
- If there is a fire, leave the house as fast as you can! Crawl on the floor to avoid smoke and if the door is hot, don't open it - find another way out.
- Learn all the fire exits in your house. Assign a safe place outside for everyone to meet in case of a fire emergency.

HOME ALONE

- Never tell anyone that you are home alone.
- If someone calls and asks for your mom and dad, tell them "They cannot come to the phone right now, can you please call back later?"
- Do not answer the door, unless it is someone that you know your parents have okay'd them to come over.



FIRST AID FOR INSECT BITES/ANAPHYLAXIS & POISON SAFETY

INSECT BITES/ANAPHYLAXIS

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction from insect bites (latex, food and drug allergies can also cause Anaphylaxis). Typical symptoms include hives, the swelling of lips or eyes, swollen throat, drop in blood pressure, light headedness, confusion, nausea or diarrhea. If someone is having an allergic reaction from an insect bite seek medical attention immediately.

POISON PREVENTION

Teach your children about poison and how it can look like a food or drink. They should always ask an adult before eating or drinking anything. Have them learn the poison control phone number: 1-800-222-1222 and keep it programmed or posted near all your phones. Here are some prevention tips.

Lock up your poisons and medications. Keep them out of the reach of children, lock them up if possible. Make sure your children understand that medicine is not candy.

Follow directions carefully. Read your labels. Be sure to use and store all poisons and medications properly according to recommendations.

Keep your pets safe from household chemicals, too. Don't allow pets near areas that have just been cleaned with chemicals, such as freshly mopped floors or bleached bathtubs and sinks. Clean up any antifreeze/coolant spills. Pets like the flavor but they can die if they ingest it. Store poisonous foods or plants in areas that your pets cannot access. Call your local emergency veterinary hospital if you believe your pet has been poisoned.



FIRST AID FOR BURNS & CHOKING

BURNS

For minor 1st and 2nd degree burns smaller than 3" in diameter: Cool the Burn. Run cool water over the burned area for 5 minutes, or until the pain diminishes. Never put ice on a burn!

Bandage the burn with sterile gauze:

It is important to use loosely wrapped gauze. This will avoid pressure and the bandage protects blisters. NEVER put lotions, vaseline, ointments or butter on burn. Do not break any blisters, which can cause infection.

Take Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Naproxen or Acetaminophen to relieve pain:

Minor burns usually heal with these basic treatments. Be aware for signs of infection which may include: increased pain, redness, fever, swelling or oozing. If symptoms develop, seek medical help. Avoid tanning the burned area for at least a year. Protect the area with sunscreen outdoors. Avoid giving aspirin to children.

For 3rd degree burns/all major burns - DIAL 911

DO NOT run cold water over large severe burns - this can cause shock.

DO NOT remove burnt clothing.

Check for signs of breathing/coughing/movement.

If there are no signs of breathing begin CPR.

Elevate burned areas above heart level, if possible.

Cover the burn(s) with cool, sterile, moist bandages, towels or cloth.

CHOKING

Most people clutch at their throats when choking, an obvious symbol for help. However, if a person isn't giving that signal, be alert for these indications. Inability to talk, difficulty breathing or noisy breathing, inability to cough forcefully, skin/lips/nails turning blue, loss of consciousness.

The Red Cross recommends a "five-and-five" method for first aid: First give five blows between the person's shoulders with the heel of your hand. Second, perform the Heimlich maneuver (abdominal thrusts) five times. Alternate between five back blows and five abdominal thrusts until the blockage is dislodged.



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