

Things to See		
Attraction	Location	Why visit?
45X90 GEOGRAPHICAL MARKER	5651 Meridian Road Athens, WI	<p>Right here in Marathon County is the exact point half-way between the Equator and the North Pole and half-way between Greenwich Meridian and the International Date Line. Granted, there are four hemispheres in the world, but unless you're going to China or have the time to wander the oceans, your best chance lies 20 minutes west of the Wausau area.</p> <p>Back in 1963, John Gesicki began researching the invisible point. It took him five years to piece together the correct maps to pinpoint the exact center of the Northwest Hemisphere. By the time the U.S. Geological Survey arrived in 1969, John had the park ready for the marker. Join visitors from all over the world who have found their way to the small community of Poniatowski (Poy-nee-ya-tah-skee)!</p> <p>To become a full fledge member of the 45x90 Club, sign the Official 45x90 Logbook kept at the Wausau/Central Wisconsin Visitor Center and you'll receive your very own commemorative medallion.</p> <p>Directions: From Highway 29, between mile markers 149 and 150, you will see a small informational sign indicating you should turn north onto Cardinal Road. Travel two miles until Cardinal Road ends. There won't be a sign, but this is County Road U and you should turn left and travel 1.4 miles into the small town of Poniatowski. Turn left at the stop sign (west) and travel .5 miles to the aptly named Meridian Road. Turn right (north) and .3 miles later, you'll find the entrance to the marker on the right side.</p>
The Grand Theater	401 North 4th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Classic theatre setting
Rib Mountain State Park	4200 Park Road Wausau, WI 54401	<p>One of the oldest rock formations on earth, Rib Mountain stands proudly in the middle of Wausau/Central Wisconsin, offering a place to enjoy nature and wonder at its spectacle. The name "Rib" comes from a combination of the mountain's history and the area's Native American heritage. There is evidence that rock formations, estimated to be a billion years old, were at one time submerged below a great inland sea. A great upheaval, caused by tremendous pressures within the earth formed Rib Mountain, as well as other hills in the area.</p> <p>As the fourth highest peak in Wisconsin, Rib Mountain has a lot to offer visitors. The view is particularly breathtaking from the observation tower, a 60-foot structure that serves as a perch for those who climb its winding stairs high above the tree tops. With 1,500+ acres, the park boasts a well-maintained network of hiking and nature trails throughout the wooded area. The nature trails meander through the park's rocky outcroppings, offering fun places to climb or sit and enjoy the views. For an overview of the trail system, use the Rib Mountain Summer Recreation Map or Winter Recreation Map for snowshoe opportunities.</p> <p>The park is also a wonderful place to observe deer, woodchucks and a variety of birds at close range.</p>
Woodson Art Museum	700 North 12th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Woodson Art Museum has a permanent collection of historic and contemporary paintings, graphics and sculptures primarily focusing on birds, making the Museum the ideal place to get in touch with art and nature. Elegant gardens dotted with sculptures take on a new look with each season. The Museum is housed in an English Cotswold-style residence, which has undergone a series of expansions since 1976. A stimulating roster of educational programs makes it fun for young and old alike.
Marathon County Historical Society	410 McIndoe Street Wausau, WI 54403	
Center for Visual Arts	427 North 4th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Center for the Visual Arts is located in a neo-classical style building designed by Henri J. Van Ryn in 1908. It has been entered in the National Register of Historic Places, and has since undergone a major renovation as part of the Arts Block project. The Caroline S. Mark Gallery was created to provide exhibition space for local and regional artists. The Center for the Visual Arts features thematic showings throughout the year, and offers classes in a variety of media to all age groups. Free Admission.

Yawkey House	403 McIndoe Street Wausau, WI 54403	The Cyrus and Alice Yawkey house, a 1900/1901 Classical Revival styled house, was designed by Milwaukee architects Van Ryn and de Gelleke. In 1907 the Yawkeys hired architect George W. Maher to remodel and add to the house. The private home was donated to the Historical Society in 1954 by their only child, Leigh and her three daughters. A recent fundraising effort enabled a multi-million dollar renovation to be completed in the spring of 2008. The first and second floors of the home, the carriage house and the formal gardens have been returned to their original splendor. The Yawkey House is a fine example of a wealthy lumberman's house between the years 1908–1915. It features beautiful stained glass windows, art glass lighting fixtures and many original Yawkey furnishings. A small entrance fee is charged for non-members of the Society. The house, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974, is open year round. The formal garden, complete with pergola, pond and fountain is open to the public from April to October. The garden is the site for many weddings during those months.
Monk Botanical Gardens	1800 North First Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401	The Robert W. Monk Public Gardens are Central Wisconsin's first public botanical gardens, located in beautiful Wausau, Wisconsin. Designed to create a place of beauty for all, the Gardens will evolve over time, revealing new and lush gardens designed to excite all the senses while simultaneously providing a place where all can grow their minds and bodies surrounded by the beauty of nature.
Andrew Warren Historic District:	Located on the northeast edge of downtown Wausau	The Andrew Warren Historic District has been on the National Register of Historic Places since 1984. Its namesake is Andrew Warren, a sawmill owner, who in 1853 bought all the land now comprising the heart of Wausau Eastside. Today, the district owes its charm to the fine houses and homes maintained by people who care deeply about this neighborhood. Of the 62 buildings in the 10 block Warren District, all but four are houses. Some splendid and some plain, the houses were built between 1868 and 1934. Styles include a diverse yet harmonious blend of late 19th century and early 20th century homes. Walk this district and you'll find examples of Greek Revival, Italianate, Queen Anne, Classical Revival, and Prairie School Architecture.
Dells of the Eau Claire Park	P2150 County Road Y, Aniwa, WI 54408	Located off County Road Y in the Town of Plover, this is one of the special jewels in the Marathon County park system. The Dells of the Eau Claire Park surrounds fantastic geological features created by the Eau Claire River. Ancient volcanic rock palisades and potholes carved in the rock by the falling water create a unique place at the dells and gorge. The river bisects this 190-acre park.  A dam upstream from the falls creates an impoundment, which provides for a swimming beach. With 27 campsites and the adjacent Ice Age Trail, this park offers visitors a number of nature trails right on the banks of the Eau Claire River along with swimming beach, spectacular waterfalls and rapids. The beautiful rock formations are a magnet for summertime nature enthusiasts. Who can resist climbing among the water-worn rocks or cooling off in one of the many swimming holes?

### Things to Do

Events	Location	What is it?
Generations of Progress	Industrial History of Marathon County 410 McIndoe Street Wausau, WI 54403	The exhibit will be featuring the industrial history of Marathon County and how it has shaped us today. The exhibit will focus on the history of over 40 years manufacturers who had humble beginnings and grew large employers and leaders in their industries. Free admission, but donations are appreciated.
Colorama Fall Art Exhibit	3501 Cranberry Boulevard Marshfield Clinic Weston Center Lot 6 - Cancer Care Entrance Weston, WI 54476	The Wisconsin Visual Artists Guild invites you to their fall art exhibit at the Reaching New Heights Gallery at Marshfield Clinic - Weston Center. Free and open to the public Monday through Friday from 8am to 4:30pm.
Audubon to Wyeth	Woodson Art Museum Paintings, Drawings, and Sculptures 700 North Twelfth Street Wausau, WI 54403	This dazzling, historic array of bird imagery in artworks spanning the early-nineteenth through late-twentieth centuries includes work by John James Audubon, Martin Johnson Heade, Jasper Cropsey, Albert Bierstadt, Frank W. Benson, N.C. Wyeth, and Andrew Wyeth.
Capturing Nature	Woodson Art Museum The Art of Owen J. Gromme 700 North 12th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Oil paintings, watercolors, and sketches reveal Gromme's lifelong passion for nature and wildlife.

Well Drawn	Woodson Art Museum 700 North 12th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Drawings in pencil, colored pencil, graphite, watercolor, and charcoal – from finely rendered to loosely sketched – encompass a range of artists' impressions and offer insight into how artists observe, contemplate, and develop compositions.
Birds in Art - Forty Years	Woodson Art Museum 700 North 12th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Birds amuse with their antics, invoke awe with their majesty, and provide endless artistic inspiration for artists throughout the world. Artists who strive to be among those chosen for this internationally renowned exhibition continually raise the bar of artistic achievement. The 40th annual Birds in Art exhibition celebrates avian marvels through fresh artistic interpretations in original paintings, sculptures, and graphics created within the last two years by artists from throughout the world.
Shoreline Symphony	Woodson Art Museum 700 North 12th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Experience artworks from the Woodson Art Museum's collection that portray the sights and sounds at the water's edge. The hypnotic nature of water attracts artists, who observe and skillfully capture an ever-changing landscape while interpreting the rhythmic sounds. Challenge your senses. Hear the sounds, feel the wind, and imagine yourself transported to another place.
Carved & Cast	Woodson Art Museum 700 North 12th Street Wausau, WI 54403	Small-scale and medium-sized sculptures recently acquired by the Woodson Art Museum are featured, including maquettes by Gwynn Murrill and work by Willard Stone, Jason Stone, Simon Gudgeon, Hank Tyler, Hélène Arfi, and Tim Cherry.
Wrap It Up - Fibers & Thread	Center of Visual Arts 427 North Fourth Street Wausau, WI 54403	An exhibit highlighting the intricate and unique methods artists use when working with fibers and thread to create contemporary sculptures, paintings, and utilitarian pieces. Opening Gala will be November 13 from 5-7pm.
Ghost Army: Author Visit	University of Wisconsin – Marathon County 518 South Seventh Avenue UW CCE James F. Veninga Theater Wausau, WI 54401	This Veteran's Day presentation will include a book signing by the authors of "Ghost Army," which details the work of a top secret unit of artists that used sound effects, inflatable tanks and illusion to dupe the Germans on WWII's European battlefields. 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.
The Elephant Man	Wausau Community Grand Theater 401 N. 4th Street Wausau, WI 54403	THE ELEPHANT MAN is based on the life of John Merrick, a horribly deformed man living with rare skin and bone diseases. Seen as a freak by society, his life changes when young physician Frederick Treves agrees to care for him. Merrick is introduced to London society and slowly evolves from an object of pity to a favorite of the aristocracy only to be denied his ultimate dream, to become a man like any other. \$22.00 • Adult \$18.00 • College, Senior, Active Military \$14.00 • Age 7 - High School
Dance: Expressions Ballroom Dance Clu	11/13/15 Elks Club 414 Scott Street Wausau, WI 54403	Friday Night Dances from 8pm to 11pm held at the Elks Club in Wausau. Sunday Night Dances are 2pm to 5pm held at the YWCA in Wausau. Tickets: \$10 (members) & \$15 (non-members). Expressions Ballroom Dance Club welcomes all dancers. Membership encouraged but not required. Note: Friday dances are semi-formal and Sunday dances are casual attire.

#### Places to Eat

Name	Location	Description
2510 Restaurant Deli Bakery	2510 Stewart Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401	One of the most well known restaurants in the Wausau area, 2510 Restaurant offers patrons original recipes, comfortable atmosphere, wonderful desserts and friendly hospitality.
Back When Cafe	606 North Third Street, Wausau, WI 54403	A charming café offering elegant cuisine in historic downtown Wausau, the Back When Café has an excellent reputation for providing upscale fare in a casual, welcoming environment.
Bull Falls Brewery	901 East Thomas Street, Wausau, WI 54403	Bull Falls Brewery is Wausau's first distributing microbrewery. Their quality craft-brewed beers are made in the German tradition with authentic ingredients. Sample these artisan beers in their Tap Room, Outdoor Biergarten during one of their many festivals, and at a number of local pubs and restaurants.
City Grill Bistro	203 Jefferson Street, Wausau, WI 54403	The City Grill Bistro has an upbeat urban appeal that is fueled by its contemporary food and eclectic décor. A great location for a business lunch, having drinks with friends, or a special dinner.
Culver's Frozen Custard	10202 Park Plaza, Rothschild, WI 54474 219 Central Bridge Street, Wausau, WI 54401	

Great Dane Pub & Brew Company	2305 Sherman Street, Wausau, WI 54401	Great Dane Pub & Brewing Company brings 16 years of experience from Madison to the former Hereford & Hops location. The Great Dane is known for its wide variety of award winning ales and lagers, hearty pub fare, and well-maintained restaurant facilities. A \$1 Million renovation added a pool hall and an additional bar.
Green Mill Restaurant & Bar	1000 Imperial Avenue, Rothschild, WI 54474	From the menu to our genuine service, everything we do at Green Mill is focused on one thing – providing our guests the best restaurant experience possible. Now with 27 locations in Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin and Kansas, Green Mill has become a favorite restaurant in the communities we serve. Our menu features legendary pizza and unique pastas as well as a wide selection of wings, entrees, burgers, sandwiches and appetizers. And our bars are bustling with great drink deals, sports viewing, games and relaxed conversation.
Hiawatha Restaurant & Lounge	713 Grant Street, Wausau, WI 54403	One of Wausau's best kept secrets! Serving lunch and dinner. Hand cut choice steaks, cajun jumbo shrimp and much more!
Michael's Supper Club	2901 Rib Mountain Drive, Wausau, WI 54401	Fine dining
Mint Cafe	422 North Third Street, Wausau, WI 54403	Downtown classic diner
Pizza Ranch	2715 Schofield Avenue, Weston, WI 54476	Pizza and chicken buffet
Red Eye Brewing Company	612 Washington Street, Wausau, WI 54403	Red Eye Brewing Company has an urban industrial vibe serving artisan wood-oven pizza and craft beers from an award-winning brewmaster. Stop in for lunch, dinner or for sipping a sampler on the patio during the warm weather months.
The Bar of Wausau	10302 Market Street, Rothschild, WI 54474	Come experience what sports fans from all over the state have known since 1972. The Bar of Wausau is the most exciting place to watch your favorite sporting events on numerous HD TVs. The Bar has a full menu to satisfy any appetite, from a juicy Roadhouse burger to a fresh Chicken Cobb Salad. Or feast on 18 flavors of mouth watering buffalo wings from mild to hot and spicy. The extensive party menu can fulfill any occasion, whether you would like a rockin' birthday party or a business meeting in one of the two private rooms. Relax with a refreshing happy hour cocktail around our two outdoor fire tables in the beer garden, or dance the night away with a live DJ playing today's biggest hits
The Hills Restaurant & Knickers Lounge	2002 Poplar Lane, Wausau, WI 54403	Overlooking the picturesque Greenwood Hills Country Club, The Hills Restaurant has a classy yet comfortable atmosphere, and a distinctive menu featuring fresh, seasonal ingredients.
Thrive Foodery	2105 N 2nd Street, Wausau, WI 54401	Their open minded approach to food is a Modern American style cuisine. The pair strives to include a locally-sourced ingredient in every dish. Entrees like fork-tender ossobuco, featuring pork shanks slow braised with vegetables and herbs in a flavorful broth, are crafted with care. The décor has a chic, industrial vibe, yet the atmosphere is fun and approachable; elements of old and new are everywhere. The lower level custom bar, with its butcher block counter and restored light fixtures, is not only a thing of beauty, but an ideal place to sample a selection of micro-brewed beers from Wisconsin. A collage of vintage doors lend a real sense of history to the space and a juxtaposition against the modern concrete and steel beams.
Wausau Mine Company	3904 West Stewart Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401	<p>A visit to our restaurant is an experience you will never forget. We have recreated a "Mine Shaft" atmosphere so you feel like you are on an adventure deep in the heart of a gold mine. In creating the mining atmosphere we were fortunate to have a wonderful family donate real authentic mining artifacts, such as a cart that went down into the mine, some tin for our ceiling in the bar, and mining utensils.</p> <p>We are a kid friendly restaurant with a separate game room located on our upper deck. For the adults we offer a full bar, with big screen t.v.'s, live music, drink specials and the list goes on.... If it is your birthday or anniversary you are celebrating look no further, we have specials for you!! If you would like to bring a group in for a meeting or get together we have an upper deck with a special room just for you!</p> <p>From the moment you enter, you can see the unique "Mine Shaft" atmosphere and you know you are in for a great time!!!</p>