



Vilas County

330 Court Street, Eagle River, WI 54521
715-479-3649

NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: October 27, 2010

Time: 5:30 p.m.

EMERGENCY SHELTERS OPENED WARMING CENTERS AVAILABLE

Due to the recent winds and loss of electrical power for many Vilas County residents, two emergency shelters have been opened by the American Red Cross. The shelters will be open tonight with the determination to be made in the morning as to whether they will remain open on Thursday. Signage will be located on the entry doors and you will need to register upon arrival at the shelter.

Northland Pines High School
1800 Pleasure Island Road
Eagle River, WI 54521
Hours of operation: 7pm to 8am

Arbor Vitae/Woodruff Elementary School
11065 Old Hwy 51 N
Woodruff, WI 54568
Hours of operation: 8pm to 8am

Public shelters are a temporary refuge for those seeking a safe, warm place to stay overnight. You should be aware that shelters offer minimal necessities and can be noisy. If you need to go to a public shelter bring the following items:

- ◆ All medications
- ◆ Baby items (food, formula, diapers)
- ◆ Pillow and a blanket
- ◆ Towels

Pets are not allowed except for service animals. Do not bring TV's or radios.

Contact Michelle Fenske, American Red Cross, at 715-499-2312 with questions regarding the shelters.



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Warming Centers

Community fire departments are making their facilities available for use as warming stations to those residents without power. Anyone wishing to utilize their local fire department as a warming station needs to call the Vilas County Sheriff's Department at 715-479-4441. They will dispatch someone to open the station for residents to use to warm up.

Warming Centers:

- Arbor Vitae Fire Department
- Boulder Junction Fire Department
- Conover Fire Department
- Eagle River Fire Department
- Lac du Flambeau Fire Department
- Land O'Lakes Fire Department
- Manitowish Waters Fire Department
- Phelps Fire Department
- Plum Lake Fire Department
- Presque Isle Fire Department
- Winchester Fire Department

Additional Warming Centers open for residents to use that do not require a call to the Vilas County Sheriff's Department:

- St. Germain Community Center
- St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Lac du Flambeau

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