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Mobile Food Pantry Returns

The mobile food pantry from the Food Bank of Iowa is returning again. The free distribution will take place from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, January 8, at the Good News Estherville Church. The food will be distributed inside the church. Recipients are asked to bring bags, laundry baskets or boxes to carry the food. At the December Food Bank, 531 individuals (185 families) received 8,179 pounds of food. The Food Bank of Iowa partners with 700 agencies in 55 counties to distribute 2.5 million pounds of food each month, so that no one goes hungry in Iowa. If you have questions, call the Good News Estherville Church at 712-362-4984.



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Stepping Back In Time by Jerry & Irene Clark of the Clark Museum of Area & State History, Milford, Iowa

I would bet my uncle, Hal Clark, was at this place. He would never miss a dance for miles around. He liked the fast dancing steps - no slow dances. If he seen a lady setting, and she was a good dancer, he would say to her, "let's get with it." What a guy.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

**Letter to the Editor**  
I would like to publicly thank the good people of Okoboji Flooring & Furniture of Milford for all they do to sponsor the annual Secret Santa program. Through their efforts, and the generosity of local community members who donate the many gifts, less fortunate children in our area have gifts to open and enjoy at Christmas. This endeavor takes several hours for the staff and other volunteers to coordinate, collect, and distribute the many gifts for the children.  
This program is such a worthwhile endeavor and highlights the kindness of the people of Milford. Anyone looking for a way to share their own good fortune with families who may be struggling, please consider this Secret Santa program next Christmas. The joy you will feel knowing that you have helped to spread happiness doing Santa's work will fill your own Christmas Stocking!  
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Weekly Social Gathering

You are invited to a weekly social gathering every Wednesday from 12:30 - 4:30pm at the American Legion in Milford. Come and play a game of cards. Coffee will be provided. They hope to see you there.

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**Okoboji After Prom Fundraiser**

Okoboji After Prom is selling the World's Best Dishcloths as a fundraiser to support a safe and fun After Prom event for Okoboji High School students. Bundles of six dishcloths are available for \$20.  
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Thank you for supporting Okoboji After Prom and our local students.

**Christmas Tree Drop-off Points for Burning of the Greens**

As the holiday season draws to a close, the IGLA Chamber reminds the Lakes Area community of the classic Winter Games tradition known as the Burning of the Greens. Once holiday decorations have been enjoyed, community members are asked to drop off natural Christmas trees, wreaths, or other greenery at the trailer in the main Arnolds Park Amusement Park parking lot or at the Dickinson County Expo Building parking lot in Spirit Lake. All items must be free of lights and decorations. The Chamber extends its gratitude to Diamond Concrete for donating the storage containers that make the collection possible. These community contributions allow for the continuation of the tradition of creating a spectacular bonfire from recycled greenery.  
The public is invited to gather at Preservation Plaza in Arnolds Park on Saturday, January 24th, at 6:30 pm for the closing ceremonies of the 46th Annual University of Okoboji Winter Games. This finale features the Burning of the Greens and a Fireworks Extravaganza, sponsored by Bank Midwest and Consumers Lumber. The 46th Annual University of Okoboji Winter Games, presented by WestO Beer, will run from January 22-25, 2026. For more information on how to get involved in the festivities, individuals can visit [uofowintergames.com](http://uofowintergames.com) or call 712-332-2107.

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Big Thanks and Big Cheers to Local Sponsors!

Upper Des Moines and the Great Lakes Mall wish to give a huge shout-out to the local businesses and organizations that sponsored trees for this year's Festival of Giving Trees. Their support is what makes this event such a success.

A big thank you goes to everyone who participated in this year's tree sponsorship:

- Canned Fruit – El Mariachi
- Canned Vegetables – DAR Ladies of the Lake
- Peanut Butter & Jelly – ISU Extension and Outreach Dickinson County
- Pasta Noodles & Sauce – Dickinson Co. Democrats
- Cereal – Youth in Philanthropy with the Okoboji Foundation
- Instant Potatoes – ISU Extension and Outreach Dickinson County
- Pancake Mix & Syrup – K Kids Kiwanis
- Snacks – Hope Haven
- Rice Meals – Dickinson County Nature Center
- Condiments – Terril Fun Days Committee
- Cheerios & Honey – Spirit of Harmony
- Microwavable Meals – Bob & Ellen's
- Canned Meat – Spirit Lake Silver and Gold
- Canned Soup – Lakes ATLAS
- Personal Hygiene – Spirit Lake Senior Center

The response this year was incredible. Thanks to the com-

munity's generosity, a total of 1,489 nonperishable items were collected. This amazing amount of food will go directly to families in need.

Competition Results

The event featured an abundance of creative, fun, and festive trees, making for a fierce competition. The winners in each category are:

**Winner of Most Donations:** Dickinson County Democrats (Pasta Noodles & Sauce) with an amazing 231 donations!

**Winner of Most Creative Tree:** Terril Fun Days Committee (Condiments) for their whimsical tree!

Upper Des Moines and the Great Lakes Mall offer a huge thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and helped fill the shelves at the Upper Des Moines Food Pantry. This kindness is truly making a difference and creating a lasting impact in the community.

Until next year...may the community continue to spread holiday cheer!



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# Spencer Hospital Hospice Earns 4 Star Recognition in We Honor Veterans Program

Spencer, Iowa — Avera@Home Hospice of Spencer Hospital has earned a Level 4 Star designation in the national We Honor Veterans (WHV) program, a milestone that reflects a deep and sustained commitment to providing high-quality, veteran-centered hospice care.

We Honor Veterans is a collaboration between the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO) and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The program recognizes hospice organizations that demonstrate increasing levels of commitment and expertise in caring for veterans at the end of life. Hospices “earn their stars” by completing specific activities across progressive levels, helping veterans and VA partners easily identify providers equipped to deliver veteran-specific care through a knowledgeable and highly skilled workforce.

Achieving Level 4 means Avera@Home Hospice of Spencer Hospital has gone beyond education and partnerships to actively improve access to care and enhance the quality of services available to veterans and their families in northwest Iowa.

“This recognition reflects our unwavering commitment to honoring those who have served our country,” said Alana Clark, Director of Hospice and Home Health at Spencer Hospital. “I am incredibly proud of our staff for achieving Level 4 Star status, but even more proud of the compassionate, respectful, and personalized care they provide to veterans during this important stage of their life journey. Our veterans deserve the very best.”

A key contributor to this achievement is Chelsea Reed, who has led much of the work over the past four years to advance the hospice’s participation in the We Honor Veterans program. Reed has worked tirelessly with the VA to ensure Avera@Home Hospice of Spencer Hospital provides the highest quality of care to veteran hospice patients and their families.

“Chelsea’s dedication has been instrumental in reaching this level,” Clark added. “Her commitment, persistence, and advocacy for our veteran patients have strengthened our partnerships with the VA and elevated the care we provide every day.”

For veterans, this recognition means access to hospice care that acknowledges military service, understands the unique physical, emotional, and spiritual needs that may accompany that service, and honors each veteran’s goals and preferences at the end of life.

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**RISE Ministries Announces Phil Wickham as  
Headliner for RiseFest 2026!**

RISE Ministries is excited to announce another artist reveal for RiseFest 2026—acclaimed worship leader Phil Wickham! RiseFest is coming to Sheldon, Iowa—June 12-13, 2026.

Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of worship and community as Phil Wickham, Josiah Queen, and Ben Fuller take the stage at RiseFest 2026—with more artists to be announced soon!

“RiseFest 2026 keeps getting better—and with one of the biggest worship artists, Phill Wickham joining us, I can’t wait to see how God will move at next year’s festival!” -Rob Roozeboom, Founder and President of RISE Ministries.

Early Bird Ticket Prices: \$60.50 per ticket when you purchase 10 or more. \$65 for individual tickets. Free for kids 10 and under.

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RiseFest is the biggest family-friendly Christian music festival in Northwest Iowa, featuring powerful music, inspiring seminars, on-site camping, and activities for all ages.

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For more information on RiseFest and RISE Ministries visit riseministries.com. Stay connected with RISE through social media on Facebook and Instagram. Email info@riseministries.com or call 712-324-9763.

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**Lakes Area Activity/Senior Center Schedule**

**Tuesday, December 30**  
8:30 - Kiwanis  
12:00 - Dinner Date  
12:00 - Blood Pressure  
12:30 - Bridge  
**Wednesday, December 31**  
9:00 - Exercise Class  
12:00 - Dinner Date  
Thursday, January 1  
Happy New Year - Center is Closed  
**Friday, January 2**  
Center Closed  
**Saturday, January 3**  
Facility available for rent  
**Sunday, January 4**  
Facility available for rent  
**Monday, January 5**  
9:00 - Exercise  
12:00 - Dinner Date  
1:00 - Pinochle Club  
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8:30 - Kiwanis  
12:00 - Dinner Date  
12:30 - Bridge  
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- **Thur., Jan. 1:** Hamburger Steak  
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- **Fri., Jan. 2:** Country Fried Steak  
Pulled Pork Sandwich
- **Mon., Jan. 5:** Hot Beef  
Taco Salad
- **Tues., Jan. 6:** CLOSED

**Friday Night Special**  
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**Winter Trails In The Iowa Great Lakes**

With the plentiful snow we received last month, it's a great time to remind everyone that the Iowa Great Lakes Trails offer plenty of opportunities to stay active and enjoy the outdoors all winter long.

**Winter Hiking Trails:** Winter is a wonderful time to explore nature trails in the Iowa Great Lakes. A couple of our favorites include the Barney Peterson Memorial Trail, located across the road from Gull Point State Park, and Henderson Woods, adjacent to the trail bridge near the Lake Minnewashta boat ramp. Bundle up and enjoy discovering new scenery, unexpected surprises, and abundant wildlife along the way.

**Cross-Country Skiing Trails**  
We are fortunate to have excellent cross-country skiing options throughout the winter months. Two miles of groomed trail are available at Brooks Golf Course, extending up to the Dickinson County Nature Center. As snowfall increases, additional trails will be added, offering both classic (traditional) ski tracks and a wide skate-ski lane.

Another premier location for cross-country skiing is the Kettleson Hoggsback Wildlife Management Area on the west side of Big Spirit Lake. Please note that, due to its designation as a public wildlife area, hunting is allowed in the complex. Trails in this area will not be groomed until mid-January, once the hunting season ends.

These winter trails are made possible

thanks to dedicated local volunteers, the Dickinson County Conservation Board, and support from the Dickinson County Trails Board (DCTB). We will continue to provide updates on snow and trail conditions on Facebook and [www.dickinsoncountytails.com](http://www.dickinsoncountytails.com).

**Snowmobile Trails and Shared Use:** Multiple trails and shared-use spaces are groomed by the Dickinson County Snowhawks for snowmobiling. The Spine Trail and Tatanka Ska Trace, in particular, have functioned as designated snowmobile routes since their inception. This arrangement provides a significant safety benefit by allowing snowmobiles to move through town on a controlled corridor, reducing street travel and encroachment on private property. The club also grooms several stretches along state highway rights-of-way where both trail systems are permitted.

Importantly, snowmobile grooming also enhances winter accessibility for other users. Groomed trails are more navigable for pedestrians and fat-tire cyclists than ungroomed snow, supporting multi-use enjoyment of the system throughout the winter season. With increased use by multiple groups, it's important that everyone remains mindful and respectful. Pedestrians and cyclists should step aside to allow snowmobiles to pass, and snowmobilers should slow down and use caution when passing others. With courtesy and care, we can all enjoy the trails and appreciate the mutually beneficial relationship between user groups.

While all users are encouraged to proceed with caution, the current approach strikes a practical balance between safety, available resources, and broad community benefit. We value having a trail system that supports year-round recreation and transportation for a variety of users, and we appreciate the cooperation that makes this possible.

Trail users should refer to the SnowHawks trail map and note that only groomed DCTB trails are open for snowmobile use. For more information about the SnowHawks and groomed trail locations, visit [www.snowhawkscd.com](http://www.snowhawkscd.com).

**Important Reminder:** ATV, UTV, and OHV vehicles are not allowed on Dickinson County Trails. Using these vehicles on groomed snowmobile trails disrupts grooming efforts and damages the hard work of volunteers. However, ATVs and similar vehicles may operate on most roads and highways in Dickinson County. Please review state regulations at Iowa Code 321.10 All-Terrain Vehicles and follow any applicable local ordinances.

**Friends Campaign Continues**

The Iowa Great Lakes Trails continue to grow and connect our communities in exciting new ways. Over the past few years, we've seen remarkable progress - more than 17 miles of new trails, a beautiful new trailhead in Spirit Lake, and several impactful maintenance projects. None of this would be possible without the generosity of our donors. With your continued support, we can further connect communities in Clay County, advance development of the rail trail Tatanka Ska Trace and maintain a safe, high-quality trail system.

If you have not already, please consider joining Friends of the Trails. Your contribution will help enhance the quality of life in the Iowa Great Lakes and make a meaningful impact on the area's health and economy. To learn more or to donate, please visit [www.dickinsoncountytails.com](http://www.dickinsoncountytails.com).

We deeply appreciate the community's ongoing support. Together, we continue to improve and expand the trail system, creating lasting benefits for generations to come.

As always, Happy Trails to You and Yours.  
Erin Reed, DCTB Executive Director

**Word Search Puzzle Key from page 6A**

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Sorry, this got a little long as I kept writing more for each wish as I went along. Speaking of long, like our winters here in Iowa, we are so blessed in this State that we currently have all four of our Power 5 basketball teams ranked. I'm pretty sure no other state can say that, and it sure helps us get through the cold winter nights to watch some great college basketball! Here's wishing you and your family a safe and blessed 2026; may your teams win most of their games, may your coaches stay in their jobs, may your star players remain healthy and may we all remember that these are just games meant to bring us memories and joy (yes, I need to work on what happens when they don't).

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With Samantha McCandless

Thursday, Feb. 12, 6-8pm OR  
Saturday, Apr. 11, 10am-12pm | \$55/\$65 | All Levels, 21+

Design and assemble a beautiful square wall art piece using a mix of preserved moss, live air plants, and realistic faux succulents. Discussion of layout and composition will help you arrange natural textures and colors to create a low maintenance long-lasting work of art. All materials provided. Must register 1 week prior to class. Complimentary adult beverage supplied with each class.

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| <b>Wine Class</b><br>With Jennifer Tittle-Oltman of Okoboji Wines<br>Thursdays   6pm   \$45/\$55<br>Registration required 2 days before each class.<br>Jan. 15: The History of Prohibition<br>Feb. 5: Wines of Bordeaux<br>Mar. 5: Blind Tasting: Cool Climate vs Warm<br>Apr. 2: Varietal Series: Cabernet Franc | <b>Valentine Cupcake Decorating</b><br>With Janet Steinbach of Lakes Cakes Boji Custom Cakery<br>Tuesday, Feb. 3   4pm-5:15pm<br>\$40/\$50 per Group, add additional child for \$10<br>Register by Jan. 29<br>Designed for kids ages 7-12 years and an adult to work together as a group. Decorate your own adorable animal inspired Valentine Cupcakes! Take away your 6 cupcakes in a bakery box to share with family and friends. | <b>Chinese Stir Fry Tasting Luncheon</b><br>With Helen Alexander<br>Wednesday, Feb. 4   11am   \$55/\$65<br>Register by Jan. 29<br>Helen will explain the tips & techniques in preparing the perfect stir fry meal - keeping it simple, tasty, healthy, and seasonably fresh! This demonstration class will culminate in a lovely lunch of soup, three different stir fry dishes, herbal tea, dessert, and a glass of wine. |
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The event is hosted and sponsored this month by Downtown Church. Doors will open to the public at 5:15 PM, with dinner served from 5:30 to 6:30 PM.

## Lake Park Mobile Food Pantry

The Food Bank of Iowa Mobile Food Pantry will be open for distribution on Thursday, January 8, 2025 from 4:30 - 6:30 pm at the Lake Park Methodist Church located at 1471 135th Ave, Lake Park. Registration will be inside the church beginning at 3:30 pm, you must be present to register. You may pick up groceries for someone that is not able to make it. Please do not line up at the front door (southeast corner of the church) before 3:30 pm. Please bring boxes, bags or containers for your groceries. Distribution will begin at 4:30 pm.

Volunteers will help bring your groceries to your vehicle. Questions? Call the Lake Park Methodist Church at 712-832-3361 or Jerilyn Marra 712-348-0475.



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## AA Meetings

The Jackson Java open AA meetings will resume on Tuesdays at 7:00pm, at Jackson Center for the Arts (309 2nd Street, Jackson, Minnesota).

For more information, contact Aili at 507-840-0639.

## Al-Anon Meetings

Milford New Hope Al-Anon meetings will take place on Zoom. Meeting ID is 77557290457 and the pass code is JXEU2H.

For more information, go online to [Iowa-Al-Anon.org](http://Iowa-Al-Anon.org), meetings tab, find a group (enter: Milford, IA 51351 USA). Or call 712-580-4406.

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**Milford Memorial Library News**

On Wednesday, December 31, Milford Memorial Library will be closing at 11:00 a.m. and will be closed all day on Thursday, January 1, in observance of the New Year's holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone on Friday, January 2, at 9:30 a.m. We hope you have a safe and happy holiday.

Join MML for our weekly Building Bookworms Storytime on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. Take a look below for our themes. All materials and services are provided by the library free to participants. All kids and their adults are welcome to stay after storytime and mingle. For more information, contact the library or check out our Facebook page.

**MILFORD MEMORIAL LIBRARY**  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, CLOSING AT 11:00 A.M.**  
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, CLOSED**  
IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY.  
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 2. HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY.

January 5, 10:30 a.m. – Owls  
January 12, 10:30 a.m. – Paint  
January 19, 10:30 a.m. – Quilt  
January 26, 10:30 a.m. – Rhinestones  
February 2, 10:30 a.m. – Spectacular Space  
February 9, 10:30 a.m. – Tremendous Teeth  
February 16, 10:30 a.m. – No Building Bookworms- MML closed in observance of Presidents Day  
February 23, 10:30 a.m. – Underwear

Join MML for Fun Craft Fridays on January 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This is a children and young adult free come-and-go craft time. This week we will be designing letter bead bracelets. There are a limited amount of supplies, so this will be a first come, first serve. If you have any questions, please contact Milford Memorial Library by phone at 712-338-4643 or by email at [milfordlibrary51351@gmail.com](mailto:milfordlibrary51351@gmail.com).

Author Nicole Baart will be joining us on January 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Milford Community Center. If you enjoy reading her books you should mark your calendars for this event! Nicole's novels range from romantic to suspenseful, but she is known for her artistic prose and finely drawn characters. Her stories celebrate the triumph of the human spirit and beauty in the midst of brokenness.

You're invited to MML's After-School Adventures on Thursday, January 8, at 3:30 p.m. This month we will be watching the movie Wonka. A small snack will be provided during this free activity.

Any interested individuals are welcome to join the Milford Memorial Library Book Club on Tuesday, January 20, at 1:00 p.m. This month we will be discussing Lessons in Chemistry. You are not required to attend each meeting and may come and go as you please.

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As another year comes to a close, many of us find ourselves doing something that feels both natural and necessary: looking back, and looking ahead.

We glance into the rear-view mirror and replay the moments of the past year. The wins and the disappointments. The people who showed up for us, and the times we wished we had shown up better ourselves. At the same time, our eyes drift forward through the windshield, imagining what the next year might hold: the goals we want to achieve, the changes we hope to make, the life we want to live a little more intentionally.

These two actions, gratitude and goal setting, often get treated as separate exercises. One reflective. One aspirational. One about acceptance, the other about ambition.

But they are not opposites. They are, in fact, two sides of the same coin.

Looking back with gratitude is not about nostalgia or self-congratulation. It is about clarity. When we take an honest look at the past year, we see our actions as they truly were, not as we wish they had been. We see patterns. We see habits that served us well and those that quietly worked against us. We recognize the people and circumstances that helped us move forward, and the moments when perseverance mattered more than talent or luck.

Gratitude brings accuracy to our reflection. It tempers regret and softens judgment. It allows us to say, “This is what happened, and I am thankful for what it taught me.”

Looking forward through the windshield serves a different purpose. It is not about prediction; it is about intention. Goals are our way of envisioning who we want to become and how we want to show up. They give direction to our energy and shape to our effort. Without them, we may stay busy but drift aimlessly.

Yet goals that are disconnected from gratitude often miss the mark. When we don’t take time to understand what truly mattered in the past year, we risk setting goals that impress others but don’t fulfill us. Or goals that are reactive rather than intentional, built from frustration instead of wisdom.

Ralph Waldo Emerson captured this balance beautifully when he wrote, “What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.” The rear-view mirror and the windshield both matter, but they are secondary to what we carry inside: our values, our resilience, our sense of purpose. “What lies within us” is truly our Potential.

When gratitude and goal setting work together, something powerful happens. Gratitude grounds us. Goals stretch us. Gratitude reminds us of our capacity. Goals challenge us to use it more fully.

As you prepare for 2026, consider treating this season not as a hurried transition, but as a deliberate pause. Let your reflection shape your ambition. Let your appreciation inform your aspiration. A rich and rewarding year rarely comes from wanting more; it comes from understanding more. About yourself, your relationships, and the work that truly matters.

Here are five simple actions to help you begin 2026 on the right foot:

- **Name the moments that mattered most.** Identify three moments from the past year that brought genuine meaning. Not just success, but growth, connection, or clarity. These are clues to what you should protect and expand going forward.
- **Acknowledge the lessons, not just the outcomes.** Where did things fall short? Instead of assigning blame, ask what those moments taught you about your habits, assumptions, or boundaries.
- **Express gratitude outwardly.** Make a point to thank the people who contributed to your journey. Mentors, colleagues, friends, or family. Gratitude strengthens relationships and reminds us that progress is rarely a solo act.
- **Set goals that align with who you are becoming.** Choose goals that reflect your values, not just your calendar. The best goals stretch you without disconnecting you from what matters most.
- **Revisit both gratitude and goals regularly.** Don’t wait until next December. Build in moments throughout the year to look back, look ahead, and recalibrate.

The year ahead will bring its share of uncertainty, opportunity, and challenge. It always does. But when gratitude and goals travel together, the road feels more purposeful. And the journey will be more fulfilling.

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