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After such a long winter, it's hard to believe how fast the 4th of July is coming. There's lots of events going on around our area from parades in Three Lakes on the 4th with a full day at their park and fireworks to end the evening, with parades on Saturday in Crandon and Laona on Saturday. Also at the Brush Run track this weekend is the Forest County Festival which will have rides and games and booths for area groups. \$5 parking will get you in and then fun can begin. Fireworks will end Saturday too. On July 14th at 1pm there will be Music at the Pond by Finesse, which is made up of 2 of my girls and their friends. Bring your own lawn chairs and there will be hot dogs, sweets and koolaid to drink. Bring your own bug spray too as it's by the Mill Pond. On the 20th from 7 to 9 am will be a pancake breakfast at the Hiles Town Hall as we welcome the Wisconsin Mycological society who will have displays as well at the Town Hall that day. The Trap Shoot will also be that day at the trap range by the Mill Pond. And Monday mornings from 8 to 10 at the museum coffee and goodies and fellowship will be going on through the rest of this summer with the museum also being open every Saturday afternoon from 11 am to 3 PM. Lots going on, don't forget about the fun summer activities outside too like kayaking, fishing, hiking, biking and whatever else you enjoy outside. And finally keep in your prayers Gerry Votis for health reasons, and the Bocek family who lost two children in a house fire last week. Have a great week everyone!