

Waushara Area Chamber of Commerce

WAUSHARA CHAMBER CHAT AUGUST 11TH, 2020



Bird Creek Park Story Walk

Come to Bird Creek Park for the StoryWalk® along the trail across from the playground and splash pad. We ask that you practice 'social distancing' and take turns with one family at each book station. Ask questions about what is happening on each page, then move on to the next station until you complete the story. The StoryWalk® is an exercise for both the mind & body. It's a unique, self-directed activity for people of all ages which encourages participants to read a children's book in stages while walking along the Bird Creek Park outdoor park trail. The StoryWalk® is a community effort led by the Waushara's Vision Committee's Financial Wellness Workgroup, with many partners involved. StoryWalks® were created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vermont and were developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle and Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Public Library.



Music in the Park Presents: Allen Brothers Band

The Waushara Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Wautoma invite you to enjoy a great night of Music in the Park as they host the Allen Brothers Band, on Thursday, August 13th at Bird Creek Park. The Allen Brothers Band performs throughout the state as both a trio and a duo, going as far north as the U.P. and as far south as Madison. They cover a wide range of popular songs from the 60's - today that span several genres so they always have a little something for everyone to enjoy. Don't be surprised if you hear Johnny Cash, Weezer, and The Talking Heads all in one set! They are highly energetic, professional, love entertaining, and will have you out of your seat dancing.

Sponsored by WAUH Radio- The Bug, the music begins at 6 PM sharp. The Chamber will be selling wine, beer, and concessions. Admission is free and we ask that you maintain social distancing and encourage you to wear your mask. There will be two parking spots reserved for our guests who wish to listen from their vehicles. In the event of inclement weather, the committee will make the decision by 3pm to cancel the show as there is no rain location this year. www.facebook.com/waccmusicinthepark

****By entering the venue, you are acting on your own free will and acknowledging that you are aware of any risks. We will not be held liable for your decision to enter the venue.****



Entertainment in the Gazebo at Coloma Hotel

The Coloma Hotel is hosting Old Time Sounds for their Entertainment in the Gazebo Show on Friday, August 14th from 6-8pm. They will also host Tom Schumacher on Saturday, August 15th from 6-8pm. Some things to remember before you go is to bring your own lawn chair, social distance, wear or bring your mask when social distancing isn't possible, and there will be waitress service so you don't have to enter the bar if you don't want to. Show will be canceled if it rains. The Coloma Hotel is located at 132 Main Street in Coloma and if you have any questions, you can contact them at 715-228-2401.



Rustic Wooden Planter Workshop

Pioneer Floral is teaming up with Cottage Creations and hosting a Rustic Wooden Planter Workshop this Friday, August 14th from 6-8pm. Build and paint your own rustic wooden planter for only \$45 which will include all materials, instructions, and hands-on guidance in building and painting your own creative design, a fall mum, and a complimentary glass of wine from Lunch Creek Vineyards and Winery. Please register as soon as possible by calling Pioneer Floral at 920-787-2038.



Nick Smith Live at KRB's

KRB's will be hosting Nick Smith live on August 14th & 15th. Nick is an accomplished country artist who had a record deal which produced "She Ain't LA", he has written songs with Joe Diffie, Jeff Bates, Drew Smith, Ash Bowers, Neal Coty, Galen Griffin, Michael Huffman, Carlton Anderson, whom each have penned several top country hits. They will have food and drink specials always so come on out and enjoy some great music and real BBQ Friday and Saturday, music should start somewhere around 6 or 7pm.



Wautoma Open Air Market

Wautoma's Open-Air Market will take place on Saturday, August 15th between 8:00am and 1:00pm on South St. Marie Street. Any vendors interested should register at City Hall by Thursday, July 30th at 4:00pm. You can reach City Hall by calling 920-787-4044.



Looking for August BA5 Host

We are looking for a business to host our August Business After Five. This can be held on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday any time before the end of August. If you are interested, please email us at wausharachamber@gmail.com for more information. It will be awarded on first-come, first-serve basis.



Foods of the Fair Event

Calling all service clubs and food trucks of Waushara County! If your fundraisers have been cancelled due to Covid-19, the Waushara County Parks Department has a safe opportunity for you. They are hosting a drive thru Foods of the Fair event August 21st at 4:00pm and Saturday, August 22nd at 11:00am at the county fairgrounds. Give them a call at (920)787-7037 for more information on how your group can participate. Spots are filling fast!



How to accept WACC Gift Certificates

Recently we received a large order for Chamber Gift Certificates so you might be seeing them in your business more! I have received a few phone calls in the office from local area residents recently about being turned down when they tried to use their Waushara Area Chamber of Commerce Gift Certificates. The gift certificates should be accepted as you would any personal or business check. The gift certificates can then be included in your normal bank deposit with your bank. The Waushara Area Chamber of Commerce gift certificate accounts are held at a local bank and they will process the accounts as any other checking account held at that bank. If your business has any further questions about how to handle the gift certificates, please feel free to call me at the Chamber office for more information.



4th Annual WACC Golf Outing

**** Due to the uncertainty of the Safer-at-Home order, we have decided to postpone our golf outing for Friday, September 18th. We will send out new registration information ****

On Friday, September 18th the Waushara Area Chamber of Commerce will host the 4th Annual WACC Golf Outing Fundraiser at Waushara Country Club to promote your business and benefit Chamber activities. This event is a 4-person scramble and will include 9 holes with a cart, raffles, hole event prizes, awards, and catered dinner to follow golf for \$49 per person or \$180 for a team. Registration will begin at 3:30pm on the 18th with a shotgun start to follow at 4:30pm. If you can't make it for golf but would like to join us for networking and dinner, it's just \$25.

We are asking our members to help make this event a success by sponsoring a hole and/or contributing an item for a prize. Please feel free to contact me at 920-787-3488 if you have any questions or need any further information about the event. This is your chance to be a part of our outing and promote your business!

Sponsorship + 4 Golfers	\$225
Sponsorship+ 2 Golfers	\$140
Hole Sponsorship	\$60



Waushara County Drive-Thru Food Pantries

Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Hunger Task Force have partnered with the USDA to distribute truckloads of healthy food in communities each month. Waushara County has established eight drive-thru mobile pantries to distribute food to families throughout the county. Drive-thru pantries will be held every week through the end of August. Each week approximately 1,800 boxes of food will be distributed. This mobile food pantry is available to ALL PEOPLE in Waushara County. No proof of address, income, etc. is needed to receive food. Organizers are asking everyone to stay in your vehicle, food will be placed in your trunk or backseat. If you would like more information or to find a drive-thru site near you, please call 715-869-3663.



Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin responds to COVID-19 needs in Waushara

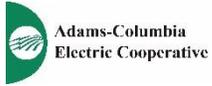
The Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin is responding to critical needs in Waushara County due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak with emergency funding and a new relief fund. The Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin has announced that they have provided \$10,000 in emergency funding to the Waushara County Food Pantry to address needs due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. With food insecurity being a critical issue identified during this COVID-19 crisis, this funding is crucial to ensure the pantry can keep providing nutritional food to county residents.

In addition to supplying the emergency funding, the foundation also launched a new relief fund this week, Waushara County COVID-19 Relief Fund. The Waushara County COVID-19 Relief Fund is meant to provide flexible resources to organizations assisting individuals in Waushara County who are negatively impacted by coronavirus and the economic consequences of the outbreak including, but not limited to:

- Food insecurity
- Education interruption
- Employment reduction
- Housing vulnerability
- Medical access
- Mental Health
- Childcare

The Community Foundation will begin accepting applications beginning Monday, March 30. Funding decisions will be made based on the highest areas of need determined through ongoing communications with non-profit agencies and social sector serving agencies. Award decisions will be made every other Friday starting April 10. Organizations can apply online at www.cfcwi.org.

Community members are encouraged to support the needs of Waushara County by making a gift to this fund. The Community Foundation made an initial gift of \$10,000 to start the fund. Join this effort by donating online at www.cfcwi.org. All the money raised will be used to address critical needs resulting from the coronavirus outbreak in Waushara County. Checks can be mailed to the Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin at 1501 Clark Street (ATTN: Waushara County COVID-19 Relief), Stevens Point, WI 54481.



Updates from Adams-Columbia Electric Cooperative

- Before the cold winter months approach, be sure to check out our Rural Energy Savings Program (RESP) Loan. This loan is available exclusively for members of our co-op to make energy efficient upgrades to their home or business. Visit our website to learn more about the loan and to apply.
- Our Electronic Recycling event has new dates! October 2 – Friendship office, October 9 – Wautoma office, October 16 – Pardeeville office. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each date. Members may bring up to 5 items per membership including 1 TV or monitor. We are still following CDC guidelines by wearing a face mask and practicing social distancing. We ask that you do not get out of your vehicle. Our employees will retrieve items from your vehicle and take them to the dumpster for you. For a list of accepted items, visit our website: <https://www.acecwi.com/electronic-recycling-2/>



- If your vehicle hit a power pole or other utility equipment, would you know what to do? A group of representatives from Wisconsin electric cooperatives, Adams-Columbia Electric Cooperative, along with the Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association and Safe Electricity, are launching an educational campaign aimed at making sure drivers know what to do if they are in a crash that involves power lines or other electrical equipment. "License to Live" includes an educational video and other instructional materialism and was funded by the Federated Rural Electric Insurance Exchange. To learn more about License to Live and view the video, go to: <https://safeelectricity.org/license-to-live/> We are still accepting photos for our annual member calendar. Submit your beautiful photography on our website here: <https://www.acecwi.com/submit-your-photos/>



Rent Special* for Office/Retail Space Available NOW

If you are looking for an affordable space to house your new or existing business, contact CAP Services here in Wautoma. They have large, prime spaces available to rent now at both the CAPsell Center & Oakridge Commercial (by the Food Pantry). Several smaller interior spaces of various sizes are available too. Monthly rent is reasonable and based on space

location and square footage. (*Rent special is for new tenants only. Lease term: 1 yr. Restrictions apply.) Rents include heat, A/C, electric, sewer, water, garbage service, and snow removal. Leasehold improvements may be available. Both CAPsell and Oakridge enjoy a lot of visitors and have ample parking space for your clients. Call 1- 877-377-1434 today for details. CAP Services is an equal opportunity employer/provider.



Advertising Opportunity on Chamber Website

Website advertising is now available on the Waushara Area Chamber of Commerce website. Advertise your business and you will be able to track how many people see and interact with your banner ad. Ads will be sold on a first come, first serve basis and will be \$120 for 6 months. You will also be able choose where your ad is placed between our homepage, events page, and member directory page. If you would like to reserve a space, call the Chamber at 920-787-3488.



Save the date on your calendar

- ❖ Friday, August 21st, Wautoma Rotary Canadian Shore Lunch. Help support your local community and the Wautoma Rotary on Friday, August 21st for their Canadian Shore Lunch. They will be serving pan fried walleye, potatoes, beans, and beverages at the Wautoma Airport from 5-7pm. Only 400 dinner tickets will be available at \$15.00 each and can be purchased from Rotary members, Waushara Argus, Hometown Bank Drive-Up, Associated Bank Drive-Up, Dr. TJ Rinaldi Office, and Keller Williams Real Estate Office. There will also be a chance to win over 40 basket raffles. *County COVID-19 Guidelines will be followed and Drive-Thru and/or Fly-In options will be available. *
- ❖ Saturday, August 22nd, Outdoor Rummage and Root Beer Float Fundraiser. The Waushara-Wautoma Senior Center is hosting an outdoor rummage and root beer float fundraiser on Saturday, August 22nd from 8am-2pm. Reserve a table to sell your treasures for \$15. You may sell anything legal except prepared food, guns, knives, fireworks, and animals. All unsold items must be removed at the end of the sale. Root beer floats will be for sale for only \$3.00. The Waushara-Wautoma Senior Center is located at W8220 Cottonville Avenue in Wautoma. To reserve your table, call Deb at 920-787-2055.
- ❖ Monday, August 24th, Community Blood Drive. The Wautoma Rotary will be hosting a blood drive at the WWII Memorial Building on Monday, August 24th, from 10am-4:30pm. To schedule an appointment, visit www.communityblood.org or call 1-800-280-4102.
- ❖ Wednesday, August 26th, Thrivent Financial and Koepl Law Offices Long Term Care and Estate Planning Workshop. Join Koepl Law Offices and Thrivent Financial on Wednesday, August 26th at the Waushara County Club for a Long Term Care and Estate Planning Workshop from 9-10:30am. Attorney Jennifer Koepl will provide an overview

of estate planning concepts such as the importance of power of attorney documents, the difference between wills and trusts, who benefits and when to make changes. She will also discuss how long-term care planning may fit into your estate planning process. Workshop can be attended via Zoom virtual meeting or in person. In person attendance will be limited to adhere to department of health guidelines and social distancing. Masks are optional and no products will be sold. RSVP by calling 920-787-1808.

- ❖ Friday, August 28th, Autumn Six Foot Sign Workshop. Pioneer Floral is hosting Cottage Creations once again for an Autumn Sign Workshop on Friday, August 28th from 6-8pm. Paint a six foot sign with guidance from Lynn and Beth of Cottage Creations. All supplies and instructions will be included as well as a glass of Lunch Creek wine for only \$35. Please RSVP to Pioneer Floral at 920-787-2038.
- ❖ Sunday, March 29th, Wild Rose Kiwanis 14th Annual Spring Concert **POSTPONED UNTIL 2021, DATE TBA. Tickets purchased for the March 29 event should be kept for the 2021 concert. Those wishing for a refund are to return the tickets to Wild Rose Kiwanis, PO Box 138, Wild Rose, WI 54984. Please make sure your name, address, and purchase price are indicated.** The Wild Rose Kiwanis will host UW's Wisconsin Singers on Sunday, August 9th at 2:00pm at the Wild Rose High School Auditorium. Audiences will enjoy a tour around the USA in their City of Dreams medley. Musical theater fans will love the Broadway Dreams medley, featuring songs from classic shows like West Side Story to current hits from Newsies and Finding Neverland. Their Magical Memories medley will entertain kids of all ages with Disney songs from Beauty and the Beast, Frozen, and many more. The celebrated Wisconsin Singers band caps off an unforgettable evening with their special blend of jazz, funk, and classic rock. Wisconsin Singers has a Fifth Quarter too, where Badger fans can sing along to Varsity, dance to Tequila and jam to Jump Around. Tickets can be bought online at www.wildrosekiwanis.com, at Office Outfitters, Wild Rose Library, and the Waushara Argus. You can also call 920-622-3088 to reserve your tickets.
- ❖ September 19th, Mid-State Snow Drifter's 5th Annual Golf Outing. The Mid-State Snow Drifters Snowmobile Club grooms 67.4 miles of trails in the Wautoma Area and is the only club in Waushara County to have 100% of its trails system funded by the State of Wisconsin. Also, 100% of the club's members are active members of the Wisconsin Snowmobile Association. The club currently owns a Snow Cat groomer equipped with rubber tracks and trail grooming drag. To help them maintain the equipment and trails, consider golfing with them on Saturday, September 19th at Two Oaks North. This will be a 4-person scramble with a shotgun start at 11am. Your \$65 entry fee will include 18 holes of golf with a cart, dinner, hole event prizes, and team prizes. If you would like to register, call Rusty at 920-787-7132.

Every Wednesday—Waushara Historical Museum open from 9am-4pm

Every Monday&Wednesday – Yoga Sculpt with Cathy Favelle at Wautoma Senior Center 8:45-9:45
Every Tuesday & Thursday—Aerobic Class Workout DVD 8:45-9:45 am @Wautoma Senior Center
Every Tuesday & Thursday—8:30am Yoga Class with Jennifer Culver at the Quarry.
Every Thursday—Wauhara Historical Museum open from 9am-12pm.
Every Thursday—6:30pm Yoga Class with Jennifer Culver at the Quarry.
Every Friday—Line Dancing at Wautoma Senior Center at 8:30am
Every 2nd, 4th, 5th Saturday—Bingo at Wautoma Senior Center. Doors open @5pm, bingo@6:30pm.
Thursday, August 13th—Music in the Park Presents: The Allen Brother’s Band 6-8:30pm.
Friday, August 14th—Rustic Wooden Planter Workshop Pioneer Floral 6-8pm.
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Monday, August 24th—Wautoma Community Blood Drive @ WWII Building 10am-4:30pm.
Wednesday, August 26th—Thrivent Financial Workshop at WCC 9-10:30am.
Friday, August 28th—Autumn Sign Workshop at Pioneer Floral 6-8pm.
Friday, September 18th—WACC Golf Outing at Wauhara Country Club 3:30pm
Saturday, September 19th—Mid-State Snow Drifter’s 5th Annual Golf Outing at Two Oaks at 11am.



****Tune into WAUH, 102.3 The BUG @ 10:30 on Thursday mornings to hear all of the latest Chamber News and Event Info****

