

## Waushara Area Chamber of Commerce

# WAUSHARA CHAMBER CHAT OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2020



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

### Waushara County Wellness Fair

An exciting opportunity for our community is just around the corner! It's a chance to participate in the Waushara County Wellness Fair sponsored by the Waushara County Employee Wellness Program. The Wellness Fair will take place on Thursday, October 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Waushara County Demonstration Room (lower level of the court house), 209 S. Saint Marie Street, Wautoma, WI 54982. The Wellness Fair will include wellness and prevention related displays and presentations in the areas of physical, emotional, spiritual, community, and social wellness. The Wellness Fair is part of our effort to create awareness and promote the importance of leading a healthy lifestyle at work, at home, and in the community. We invite you to come check out the Wellness Fair, information booths, demonstrations, or "how to" segments about a wellness or prevention topic. We believe in making the Wellness Fair educational so that participants have fun while also learning. Layout of the Wellness Fair will be spacious with a good line of sight down all of the aisles. Hand sanitizer will be available and we ask everyone to please wear a mask. We are looking forward to seeing you at our first Wellness Fair.



### Waushara Interactive Networking Group

No matter who you are or what you do, networking can help you and your business grow. Joining a networking group can help you connect your business with other businesses, gain business advice, do market research, expand your knowledge base, earn referrals, raise your business exposure, and even make friends. If you are looking for an awesome way to expand your networking opportunities, check out our Friday morning WIN Group that meets every other Friday, 7:45-8:45am. We offer BOTH in-person and virtual meeting options. Email the Chamber at [wausharachamber@gmail.com](mailto:wausharachamber@gmail.com) or give us a call at 920-787-3488 to learn more. Our next meeting will be Friday, October 16th at the WWII Memorial Building.



### MoosetoberFest

Join Moose in this Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, for their 16<sup>th</sup> Annual MoosetoberFest. Pay attention to the changes for this year, like their 12-6pm timeline and no admission charge. However, some things will stay the same! You can still get the most delicious, authentic German cuisine, the tastiest German beer on tap, Blaskapelle playing German music, and the

keg toss ran by the Wautoma Area Fire department. If you have any questions, call Moose Inn at 920-787-2241.



## **Backpack Nutrition Program StoneRidge Round-Up Recipient**

The school year has started and Waushara's Vision Backpack Nutrition Program is once again providing weekend snacks and meals to area students. The program has been selected as the beneficiary of the StoneRidge Round-Up program for the month of October. During the month of October, StoneRidge Piggly Wiggly shoppers will be invited to round up their purchases to support the Backpack Nutrition Program. StoneRidge Piggly Wiggly is located at 975 E Main St, Wautoma, WI 54982. The Backpack Nutrition Program offers a safety net for economically disadvantaged elementary students in Waushara County. The program provides nutritious meals for students to eat during weekends and school breaks when they don't have access to the school breakfast and lunch programs. Students qualify for the program if they are eligible for the Federal free/reduced lunch program and register for the program if offered in their school. Non-perishable food items and coupons for fresh food travel home in student's backpacks each week. The program began in 2012, serving twenty-six students in one elementary school. Last year the program provided meals to 229 students and served four elementary schools. Free and reduced lunch rates of schools ranged from 54-69% of students. Waushara's Vision Backpack Nutrition Program is a function of the Waushara Prevention Council, Inc. All gifts are tax deductible and used to provide food to students in need. To learn more about the program, make a donation or organize a donation drive contact Jan Novak at 920-787-6600 [jan.novak@co.waushara.wi.us](mailto:jan.novak@co.waushara.wi.us) .



## **Advertising Opportunity at Park Place Mall**

Park Place Mall is offering you a great opportunity to advertise your business or services on the outside wall of their building. The building is located right on Main Street in Wautoma and the signage will be highly visible from Highway 73,22,and 21. Please contact Phil at Phil's Hobby & Craft/Ugly Cupcakes between 10am and 5pm for additional information at 920 787-7885.



## **Koeppel Law Offices Job Opening**

Wild Rose Office seeking for immediate hire someone to fill Office Assistant position. Individual must be detail oriented, able to multitask and demonstrate ability to problem solve and willingness to learn. Excellent knowledge of Computers and Multi-line phone systems with high proficiency in Microsoft Outlook, Word and Excel. References required, office experience preferred. Pay based on experience. 32-40 hours per week. Send resume to Koeppel Law Offices, PO Box 270, Wild Rose WI 54984.



## **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.



**[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.

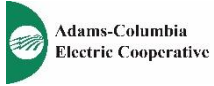
In addition to supplying the emergency funding, the foundation also launched a new relief fund this week, Waushara County COVID-19 Relief Fund. The Waushara County COVID-19 Relief Fund is meant to provide flexible resources to organizations assisting individuals in Waushara County who are negatively 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](http://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](http://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**

- Hey ACEC members! Join us for our electronic recycling event in Wautoma on October 9 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at our office located at N1519 State Rd 22. Since our previous electronic recycling event was such a hit, we decided to bring it back again this year! Remember, this event is exclusively for members of Adams-Columbia Electric Cooperative. We are still following COVID-19 guidelines and practicing social distancing as well. We ask that you do not get out of your car. Our employees will retrieve items from your vehicle and put them in the dumpster. Members may bring up to 5 items per membership including 1 TV or monitor. Visit our website for a list of what types of electronics we can accept: <https://www.acecwi.com/electronic-recycling-2/>
- UPCOMING DEADLINES
  - Operation Round-Up applications are due by October 15 – <https://www.acecwi.com/operation-round-up/>
  - STEM Grant applications are due by November 1. Share this with the educators in your community so we can help their classroom! <https://www.acecwi.com/stem-grant/>
- We need your help! We have a list on our website of members who have unclaimed patronage capital (a.k.a. MONEY!) These are former members of ours that have moved off of our lines and may have forgot to keep us updated with a current address. Please take a moment to look through this list and if you see someone you know on the list, please ask them to contact us directly. <https://www.acecwi.com/unclaimed-patronage-capital/>



## **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, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Troy the Turkey Thanksgiving Sign Workshop. Paint a cute fall sign that includes Troy the Turkey, pumpkins, sunflowers, and your favorite Thanksgiving slogan at Pioneer Floral on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30-7:30pm. Instructions and guidance will be given from Lynn and Beth of Cottage Creations. All supplies, instructions, and complimentary wine will be provided for only \$45. Please RSVP to Pioneer at 920-787-2038.
- ❖ Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> Annual NWTF Banquet. Join the Rock 'n' Granite Toms on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Redgranite Lion's Hall for their 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Banquet. The doors will open at 3pm with dinner at 5pm. \$55 will include your dinner, membership and door prize but there are other options available to be a sponsor, tables of 8, kids tickets, and couple's tickets. Tickets will *not* be available the night of the banquet but can be purchased online at <https://events.nwtf.org/491050-2020> Due to the pandemic, space will be limited so sign up today! If you have any questions, contact Keith at 920-765-1971.

**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**—Waushara 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday**—Bingo at Wautoma Senior Center. Doors open @5pm, bingo@6:30pm.

**Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**—WIN Group Meeting at WWII Building 7:45am.

**Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**—MoosetoberFest at Moose Inn 12-6pm.

**October 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**—Wautoma Snowmobile Safety Course 10am-4pm at Wautoma Fire Depart.

**Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**—Thanksgiving Sign Workshop at Pioneer Floral 5:30-7:30pm.

**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**—Rock 'N' Granite Toms Banquet @ 3:00pm at Redgranite Lions Hall.



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

