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Chamber News

APRIL 2019

ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONAL DAY LUNCHEON

The Onawa Chamber of Commerce will host an Administrative Professional Day Luncheon on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. at the Onawa Country Club. Tug's will be making the lunch. The lunch will consist of a pulled pork sandwich, macaroni salad, baked beans, coleslaw, chips and a yummy cheesecake for dessert. Skye Marcum from Skye's the Limit Massage and Teri Ohl from Massage by Teri will be on hand giving 5 minute chair massages. The Chamber will also be giving away 2– 1 hour massages as a door prize.

It will be a come and go lunch so all your staff can attend. Please call the Chamber Office at 712-423-1801 or e-mail chamber @onawa.com to make your reservations. The cost will be \$15 per person.

Chamber bucks are a good gift to your employees and will enable them to shop local! If you would like some Chamber Bucks, give the Chamber Office a call!

Secretaries, clerks, administrators, bosses—all are welcome to attend this luncheon to honor all those who spend their days making life easier in the work place.

Annual Chamber Easter Egg Hunt

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place at Elmwood Care Centre on Saturday, April 20, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. **NOTE THE EARLY TIME!!!** The kids are quick so don't be late! Age categories are 2 & under, 3 & 4, 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 years of age.

The front lawn will be divided up into the different age groups. The 7 & 8 year olds will be in the yard in front of Premier Estates. Please make sure your children are in the appropriate section for their age. **If your children are older than 8, they are NOT able to collect eggs. Please help the Chamber make this a fun and fair event for all.**

There will be boxes available for anyone who does not want their plastic eggs to go home with them. The plastic eggs will be recycled for next year. The more recycled eggs, the more we will have to stuff for the next year. There was over 2,000 eggs recycled from last year.

The residents of Crossroads of Western Iowa were a BIG help again this year. They matched all the recycled eggs from last year and filled all the eggs this year! Thank you so much for all your help!

CHAMBER ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Chamber Dinner was held Friday, March 1st at the Onawa Community Center. There were 100 people in attendance. The American Legion was the entertainment with bingo. The Chamber had minute - to- win- it games to play in between bingo sessions. The games got the crowd going with cheering and laughing. Thank you to everyone who participated in the games and for being good sports.

Curtis Sturgill, 2018-2019 President, talked about the achievements the Chamber made in 2018 and what is in store for 2019. The biggest announcement for the night was that Onawa survived RAGBRAI 2018. Thank you to everyone in the community who helped.

Plans are underway for the 2019 Annual Chamber Dinner already. Any suggestions on food, location and entertainment are greatly appreciated. Give Jenn Collison a call at 712-423-1801 or e-mail chamber@onawa.com as we are always looking for suggestions.

Thank you to everyone who attended and we look forward to another great year!



Big Blue Run/Live Healthy Iowa 5k Run/Walk

The Onawa event will begin and end at the Lewis & Clark State Park Visitor Center. **The 5K run/walk will begin at 8 a.m. with the 1K kid's run following at 9 a.m.** Early packet pickup and registration will be in the Visitor Center at Lewis and Clark State Park on Friday, April 12 from 4-5 p.m. Day of the event packet pickup and registration will be Saturday, April 13 from 6:30-7:45 a.m.

All participants will receive a Live Healthy Iowa 5K T-shirt (if registered by April 1), race number, finisher medal, and the opportunity to win age-group awards. The cost is \$20 online until April 1; and \$25 up to the race. Participants in the 10 Week Wellness Challenge can receive a \$10 discount on registration by redeeming the coupon code from the weekly email or by showing their LHI Access Card during on-site registration. The 1K kid's run for ages 12 and younger is \$5 through race day. For additional event details, or to register, visit www.livehealthyiowa5K.org.

“Onawa is excited to partner with Live Healthy Iowa to offer this fun and healthy event,” said Michele Kirkendall, Onawa event co-coordinator. We look forward to welcoming area participants to our community and celebrating the efforts of all on race day.

Live Healthy Iowa and Live Healthy Iowa Kids provide challenges and events throughout the year to promote healthy and active lifestyles. To learn more about these programs and find more information about the Live Healthy Iowa 5K, please visit www.livehealthyiowa.org or call (888)777-8881.

Two New Members in March!!

The month of March, the Onawa Chamber welcomed two new members!

Onawa Dog Grooming was welcomed with a ribbon cutting and Chamber coffee on Friday, March 15th. Erinn Walker, owner and operator, is located at 1509 Elmwood Drive in Onawa. Erinn offers nail trimming \$10, dog baths \$20 and up and dog grooming \$40 and up. Erinn has been grooming dogs for over three years and has been in the grooming industry for over five years. To set up an appointment call 712-433-0611. Welcome to the Onawa and the Onawa Chamber!

Ramm Heating & Cooling makes number two for March. Keith Ramm, owner and operator. Keith offers heating, cooling and ventilation services. “No matter the reason, whatever the season, I’m here for you!” Call Keith at 712-420-2668 for all your heating and cooling needs.

Darkness to Light: End Child Sexual Abuse Program

Monona County Public Health will be hosting the Darkness to Light: End Child Sexual Abuse Program on Tuesday, April 6, 2019 5:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. at the West Monona High School Library. This is a prevention training program that teaches adults to how recognize, prevent and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. The program is designed for organizations that serve youth and for anyone concerned about the safety of children. It is the only nationally distributed, evidence-base program prove to increase knowledge, improve attitudes and change child protective behaviors.

There is a 45 person limit so please RSVP to Monona County Public Health 712-433-1773. A small meal will also be provided. For more information, please contact Sara Keenan or Debie Lahr at 712-433-1773.

Calendar of Events for April 2019

- | April 1 Downtown beautification meeting 7 p.m. at Onawa Community Center.
- | April 4 Chamber Board Meeting at noon at the Onawa Public Library.
- | April 5 Chamber Coffee hosted by TBA.
- | April 6 Legislative Coffee 10 a.m. at the Onawa Public Library.
- | April 9 Onawa City Council Meeting 7 p.m.
- | April 12 Chamber Coffee at the Extension Office.
| Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 5 p.m.—7 p.m. St. John’s Catholic Church.
- | April 13 Big Blue Run at Lewis & Clark State Park.
- | April 14 Palm Sunday.
- | April 16 Monona County Public Health “Darkness to Light” seminar 5:30 p.m.— 8 p.m. at
| West Monona High School Library.
- | April 19 Chamber Coffee and Ribbon Cutting hosted by Thelander Heating & Cooling.
| Good Friday.
- | April 20 Annual Chamber Easter Egg Hunt at Elmwood Care Center 10 a.m.
- | April 21 Happy Easter.
- | April 22 Happy Earth Day!
- | April 23 Onawa City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.
- | April 24 Administrative Professional’s Day!
- | April 26 Chamber Coffee and Ribbon Cutting at The Hut.