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Chamber News

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CHAMBER GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 18th Annual Chamber Golf Classic is coming up Friday, August 7, 2020 at Tug's. This Chamber event was initiated so that the Chamber members could have a "fun" day. Many of the members volunteer time, money and effort to make our events successful. This is our way of saying thanks and providing a relaxing and fun time.

Sack lunches will be available starting at 11 at the Clubhouse. The Chamber Board will be giving every golfer two free drink tickets in place of individual door prizes and some awesome pin hole prizes have been collected for the lucky golfers to win.

We are hoping we can count on you to donate or sponsor again this year. If you need another form, please give Jenn a call (712-423-1801) or visit www.onawachamber.com.

The Chamber continues to try to make every event a success by changing things up and taking away old and adding new items. Any feedback or suggestions are welcomed to guarantee every event is a success. Any and all proceeds from the tournament will be put towards events in Onawa to bring more people to our town.

Onabike XXVIII Saturday, August 22nd

The 28th Annual Onabike will be held Saturday, August 22, 2020. Not only is this the biggest one day bike ride in Western Iowa, it is also in memory and honor of Shawn Gosch. Shawn was a former Chamber Board Member and an active bicycle rider.

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. at the Onawa Public Library, the ride starting at 9:00 a.m. There will **NOT** be a police escort out of town this year to help comply with the CDC guidelines. Registration forms are available at www.onawachamber.com or call the Chamber at 712-423-1801. Registration prior to August 4th is \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids 12 and under. After August 4th, the cost is \$25 for adults. All riders will be asked to follow all CDC guidelines while out on the ride.

Included in the registration fee is a collector t shirt, a meal at Suds-N-Jugs after the ride and SAG wagons.

Riders can pick from a 29 mile route or a 63 mile route. Both routes are a beautiful ride through the Loess Hills.

This event is put on by the Onawa Chamber and brings 100's of people to Onawa for the day!

Unfortunately, because of the COVID-19 Pandemic the Chamber has had to cancel all Chamber Coffees' and ribbon cuttings since the middle of March. Despite all the bad things happening in our world, Onawa has had some positive additions to our town. This Newsletter will feature the positive additions.

Simply Signs and Creative Customs Opens a Storefront



My name is Lacy Smizer, I live in Onawa with my husband and our two young boys. I started this business in 2016 mostly as a hobby making small signs, decals and custom drinkware. I never dreamed this business would have grown as much as it has. Three years later I have learned so much more than I ever thought possible. I can now do painted signs and decals of almost any size. I'm doing custom shirt orders from orders as small as one shirt done with vinyl up to orders of 1,000 shirts done with screen print. I try to post a weekly special of either shirts or any type of seasonal décor on the Facebook page. I am also doing paint parties, where I bring all my materials to your place to help you and your friends enjoy a fun night of sign making, these events can also be done as fundraisers. If you have any questions on anything feel free to send me a

message! Please stop in and see Lacy and browse her shop. Congratulations Lacy!

Hours of operation are: Monday & Tuesday: closed, Wednesday: 11 am—3:30 pm and 5 pm—7 pm., Thursday: 11 am—3:30 pm Friday: 11 am—3:30 pm, Saturday: closed, Sunday: closed.



The Onawa Chamber Welcomes Grace Dance Company as a new member. Meet Mackenna Chapman! Mackenna is the Program Director/Head Teacher for Grace Dance Company. She has been a studio dancer for 17 years and has taught a variety of dance classes for the past 3 years. She was selected to be on the 2019 Shrine Bowl All Star cheer team and she has participated in competitive dance teams since she was 12 years old, including the Morningside College Mustang Dance Team. Her technical studio experience and passion for dance has equipped her with the knowledge and training to teach our students. She has a deep love for dance and teaching it to others. Mackenna feels that dance has greatly impacted her life and has helped shape her into who she is today. She is excited to instill the lessons that she has learned from dance in the future Grace Dance Company Students.

Classes offered are tap, jazz/contemporary, ballet technique, hip hop, clogging and pom. If you are interested in signing up for classes, send a message through Facebook or e-mail grancedancecompanygdc@gmail.com. Welcome to the Chamber Mackenna!



AgriVision Equipment moved to their new location the first part of July. The old Shopko building has been renovated and is the new home for lots of green equipment.

As a family owned and operated company, AgriVision Equipment is rooted in 100+ years of Midwestern farm heritage, with its first dealership opening in 1899. Today, AgriVision Equipment has 17 locations and 450 plus employees, serving customers throughout Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Missouri.



The Onawa Chamber welcomes “Just for Kix” as a new member. Onawa Just For Kix Director Wendy Archer is excited to teach Onawa youth technique, confidence and pride! Wendy has over 13 years of dance experience that includes various dance technique, performing, choreographing, judging and instructing. Wendy is an Onawa high school graduate that danced on the dance team for 4 years where she served as captain for 3 years as well as team choreographer. After high school she became a member of the Midland University Dance Team, Dance Company, and Competition Team for 4 years. While being a part of the competition team Wendy held two National Titles. Wendy graduated from Midland University with a Bachelors of Arts in

Performing Arts Management. She is extremely excited to share her knowledge and passion for dance in the Onawa community!

Classes offered are Kick • Jazz • Lyrical • Hip Hop • Ballet • Tap • Pom. Register for classes at www.justforkix.com/danceclassess or visit their Facebook page Just For Kix—Onawa, IA. Welcome to the Chamber Wendy!!!

The Monona County Fair Board Members would like to thank all who made the 2020 Monona County Fair a success, even though things were different this year due to COVID-19. Thank you to all who participated with 4-H and FFA.

Thank you to those who came to enjoy the exciting grandstand events and the sights, sounds and tastes of the Fair.

A BIG Thank you goes out to all the dedicated volunteers who make it all happen and to all the sponsors who make the Monona County Fair possible every year.

Congratulations to all the 4-Her's, 4-H Leaders and Monona County Extension Staff and Monona County Fair Board Members for all your hard work and dedication.



Calendar of Events for August 2020

August 4	Onabike XXVIII pre-registration deadline.
August 6	Chamber Board meeting at noon at the Onawa Public Library.
August 7	Chamber Annual Golf Tournament at the Onawa Country Club.
August 11	Onawa City Council Meeting at 7 pm.
August 15 & 16	Swap Meet at the Monona County Fairgrounds.
August 22	Onabike XXVIII.
August 24	First day of school.
August 25	Onawa City Council Meeting at 7 pm.