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# Chamber News

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## 2019 Chamber Annual Dinner

The Chamber Annual Dinner will be held on Friday, March 6th at the Blackbird Bend Casino. The dinner will be prime rib, fish, cheesy potatoes, green bean casserole, dinner salad and a cheesecake bar for dessert.

Social Hour will be 5:30 p.m. with a full bar and snacks. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. The cost of the tickets are \$30 per person.

Entertainment will be DJ Guaranteed. There will be music, lights and fun games.

Tickets will be available through all the Board Members or from the Chamber Office. Get your tickets now and come enjoy a night of fun!

## 2020 Membership Dues

The Onawa Chamber of Commerce operates on a calendar year. Due notices were sent in the December and January Newsletters. If you have not renewed for 2020, now is the time. Your Chamber works for you promoting our City, our businesses, and all the fine facilities and services available. We are happy to announce there were 8 ribbon cuttings held in 2019 for new/and or renovated businesses. Let's make 2020 just as great!

Your membership dues enable the Chamber to continue to provide information to the inquiries from around the nation. Take time now to pay your 2020 Membership dues.

If you need another form or have any questions, please give Jenn Collison a call at 712-423-1801 or e-mail [chamber@onawa.com](mailto:chamber@onawa.com).



Burgess Health Center's Wear Red for Heart Health Luncheon event, Thursday, February 13. Burgess has organized presentations and more than a dozen booths to highlight heart health. The day's theme, is "Rock the Heart Beat."

Doors of the Onawa Community Center open at 10:30 a.m. with education stations, fun booths, and chair massages. Staley's will provide a delicious buffet meal served at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Mahmoud Sharaf, MD of Cardiovascular Associates at UnityPoint Health of Sioux City, will discuss how to "Rock the

Heart Beat" and connect physical activity to heart health. As an interventional cardiologist, Dr. Sharaf diagnoses and treats abnormalities that impair the function of the cardiovascular system. He and his team at Unity Point work extremely hard to get the best outcome for their patients.

Registration cost is \$10 if paid on or before February 7, and \$12 after that date. Active Burgess volunteers get \$2 off the price of registration. Registration forms are available at all Burgess locations. Individuals may also register by calling (712) 423-9200.

## Friends of the Fair Banquet

February 22, 2020

Featuring Comedic Musicians "Brothers Walker" from The Voice!  
Mapleton Community Center



Featuring Comedic Musicians  
Brother's Walker as seen on The Voice!

Happy Hour- 5:00 pm  
Steak Dinner, Auction and  
Entertainment to follow!

Tickets \$25 each

## Chamber Informational Coffee Hour

The Onawa Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an Informational Coffee Hour starting at 2:00 p.m. at the Onawa Public Library on Wednesday, February 5, 2020. Sheriff Jeff Pratt will be speaking about the bond election set for March 3, 2020 to build a bigger jail for Monona County. There will coffee, water and cookies available. Open to the public!

Over the course of 2.5 years, the Jail Committee has been working addressing concerns at the Monona County Law Enforcement Center. The jail has recently turned 46 years old and has a growing number of inmates.

Please come and join us for coffee, water and cookies and get informed about the Bond Election.



Please join the Library Board of Directors and Employees on Friday, February 28th to celebrate the retirement of Lori Beck as the Onawa Public Library Director. “Librarians don’t retire, they just enjoy the next chapter in their story.

There will be Chamber Coffee from 9:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m., refreshments from 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. There will also be refreshments (BYOB), laughter and music by Brittan Donn from 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Lori Beck has been at the Onawa Public Library for 34 years so come and help her celebrate.

## Onawa Chamber 2020 Directors

At the monthly Onawa Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting held on the 2nd of January, 2020, Curtis Sturgill of Morton Buildings was re-elected President and Rob Meyer of Bank First was re-elected Vice President of the Onawa Chamber of Commerce.

Peg Ingram of US Bank was re-elected as Treasurer. Also serving on the Board of Directors for 2020 are: Lori Beck, Onawa Public Library; Nick Holverson, Hoffman Agency; Bryana Beneda, Minnihan Law Firm; Jen Shilling, Family Focus Chiropractic, Katie Ramm, Burgess Health Center and Dana Coyle, Blackbird Bend Casino.

The Chamber’s purpose is to advance the general welfare and prosperity of the Onawa area so that its citizens and all areas of its business community shall prosper. It takes the community working together to allow the Chamber to promote our community and its attributes. If you as an individual or your business would like to join the Chamber, please contact Jenn Collison at 712-423-1801 or [chamber@onawa.com](mailto:chamber@onawa.com).

Thank you to the officers and board members for sharing their time and energy to serve on the Onawa Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.



If you are tired of being stuck inside this winter, come to a door hanger paint party at the Onawa Public Library on Saturday, February 8th 1 p.m.—4 p.m. The Friends of the Onawa Public Library will be hosting the event. 20% of each door hanger will go to the Friends of the Library to help fund projects and programming at the Library.

Pre-registration and payment is required to reserve your spot. Adult price is \$30 and one child is included in this price!\* Additional children are \$8 or \$30 depending on the size of each project. All children attending must be school age and accompanied by an adult. **SPACE IS LIMITED!!!!** Please stop by the Onawa Public Library, pick your design and reserve your spot soon. There are four different designs to pick from. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Library or visit their Facebook page.

## Calendar of Events for February 2020

- February 1 Legislative Coffee 10 a.m. at the Onawa Public Library.  
Monona County Mutual Insurance Annual Meeting 9:30 a.m.
- February 5 Chamber Informational Coffee Hour 2 p.m. with Sheriff Jeff Pratt on Jail bond issue.
- February 6 Chamber Board Meeting at noon at the Onawa Public Library.
- February 7 Chamber Coffee hosted by the Monona County Sheriff's Department.
- February 8 Friends of the Library Painting Party 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.
- February 11 Onawa City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.
- February 13 Burgess Wear Red Event at the Onawa Community Center 10:30 a.m.
- February 14 Chamber Coffee hosted by Blackbird Casino.  
Happy Valentine's Day!
- February 17 President's Day.
- February 21 Chamber Coffee hosted by TBA.
- February 22 Monona County Fair "Friends of the Fair Banquet" Mapleton Comm Center 5 pm.
- February 25 Onawa City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.
- February 28 Chamber Coffee hosted by Onawa Public Library in honor of Lori Beck retiring.