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Chamber News

MARCH 2019

CHAMBER ANNUAL DINNER

This year's Chamber Annual Dinner will be held on Friday, March 1st, 2019 at the Onawa Community Center. American Legion Bingo will be the entertainment for the night. There will also be "Minute to Win It" games played during the night. You won't want to miss the awesome prizes and laughs!!!

Social Hour starts at 5:30 p.m. with a cash donation bar and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. There will be a life size jenga and bag boards during Happy Hour to play.

Dinner will be fish, roast beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, lettuce salad and ice cream for dessert. Tickets are \$25 per person.

Come and enjoy a night of great food and laughs!!!! Tickets can be purchased from the Chamber Office or any Chamber Board Member.

Onawa Kiwanis Waffle Feed

The Onawa Kiwanis Club invites you to their ALL YOU CAN EAT WAFFLE BRUNCH! Serving waffles, sausages, flavored syrups and beverages.

Save the date for Saturday, March 2, 2019 at the Onawa Community Center. They will be serving from 7:30 p.m.—10:30 a.m.

Adults: \$10.00 and children ages 6 and under are free. Carry outs are available with the same price as eating in. All proceeds will go to Magic Depot for new flooring for the daycare facility.



2018 RAGBRAI Grants Awarded

The RAGBRAI Executive Committee met on January 22, 2019 to review the grant applications submitted. The Committee had \$20,000 to award to Onawa non-profit groups to improve our Community. The following groups are receiving grant money:

Onawa Chamber of Commerce—Landscaping for the welcome sign on the North end of town.

West Monona Schools—Camera system for the gym.

Monona County Fair—Amphitheater at the Monona County Fair Grounds.

Franklin Go-Getters 4-H Group—Playground equipment at Lewis & Clark State Park.

Monona County Extension—Improvements to the community garden at the old Central School lot.

Magic Depot Daycare—Playground improvements.

Onawa Fire Department—New turnout gear.

Onawa Kiwanis Club—New siding on the blacksmith building at the Museum.

Onawa Public Library—Double pain windows added to upstairs meeting room.

Monona County Veteran's Museum—Security system.

Onawa E-Free Church— Building updates.

The RAGBRAI Executive Committee will also be purchasing three benches to be placed downtown.

All grant winners need to have the project completed by August 1, 2019 and must spend their award money locally to complete the projects. Checks will be presented when the project is completed as well as publicized in the local papers, through the Chamber and the RAGBRAI Facebook page.

Thank you to every one who submitted an application and we look forward to seeing these improvements in our Community!

The first check awarded was to West Monona School for their camera system in the gym.



Bank First Ribbon Cutting

On Friday, February 22nd Chamber Members gathered to welcome Bank First (formerly Iowa-Nebraska State Bank) to Onawa. Bank First has many options to offer their customers. Stop in and get some information.

2019 Chamber Membership Dues

Your yearly membership to the Onawa Chamber of Commerce is an important link to the community. Your dues help maintain the office so visitors and businesses can find out all the wonderful opportunities in Onawa.

Your dues also support all local events put on by the Chamber of Commerce.

Please consider paying your 2019 Chamber dues. This will be your last issue of the Chamber Newsletter if you are not a member.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Jenn Collison at 712-423-1801 or e-mail chamber@onawa.com.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Dinners

The Fish Fry dinners sponsored by the Knights of Columbus are just about upon us! They will be held at St. John's Catholic Church in Onawa during Lent on two Fridays, March 29 and April 12.

Staley's Catering will again be the chef for these "all you can eat" delicious fish dinners that are served buffet style with the Knights providing table service. The menu consists of Alaskan Pollack, scalloped potatoes, vegetable, roll and beverages. (Also, a complimentary "cup of suds" is available to adult patrons only.)

Dinners will be served from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Bring the entire family for dining in the parish hall or, for your convenience, 'take out' is also available. Tickets are \$10 for ages 13 and up; \$6 for ages 5 - 12; and kids age 4 and under eat for free!

All Knights of Columbus and the St. John's parish office (423-1004) have tickets available for sale. Proceeds from these Friday Fish Fry meals help fund the many charitable projects of the Knights. Please attend and enjoy the dinners because your support is greatly needed and appreciated!

Save the date!!!

The Annual Chamber Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 20th at Elmwood Care Centre.

The time will still be 10:00 A.M. The time of the Easter Egg Hunt has been changed in years prior so families can attend other hunts in the surrounding towns as well. Watch the April Newsletter for more details.



Calendar of Events for March 2019

- March 1 Chamber Coffee hosted by Onawa Community Center.
Chamber Annual Dinner at the Onawa Community Center 5:30 p.m.
- March 2 Kiwanis Waffle Feed 7:30—10:30 a.m. Onawa Community Center.
Legislative Coffee 10 a.m. at the Onawa Public Library.
- March 6 Ash Wednesday.
- March 7 Chamber Board Meeting at noon at the Onawa Public Library.
- March 8 Chamber Coffee and Ribbon Cutting at The Hut.
- March 10 Daylight Savings Time.
- March 12 Onawa City Council Meeting 7 p.m.
- March 15 Chamber Coffee and Ribbon Cutting hosted by Onawa Dog Grooming (1509 Elmwood Drive).
- March 17 Happy St. Patrick's Day!
- March 20 First Day of Spring!
- March 22 Chamber Coffee hosted by Monona County Mutual Insurance.
- March 23 Onawa Methodist Church Roast Beef Dinner 5:00—7:00 p.m.
- March 26 Onawa City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- March 29 Chamber Coffee hosted by Great Southern Bank.