

ONAWA CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE
707 IOWA AVE
ONAWA, IA 51040
712-423-1801

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President: Curtis Sturgill, Morton Buildings
- Vice President: Rob Meyer, Bank First
- Treasurer: Peg Ingram, US Bank
- Jenn Collison, Director
- Katie Ramm, Burgess Health Center
- Lori Beck, Onawa Public Library
- Nick Holverson, Hoffman Agency
- Bryana Beneda, Minnihan Law Firm
- Jen Shilling, Family Focus Chiropractic
- Dana Coyle, Blackbird Bend Casino



Chamber News

OCTOBER 2021



The Chamber will once again be organizing downtown business trick-or-treating on Friday, October 29, 2021 from 3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Any Chamber business that wants to invite trick-or-treaters in should contact the Chamber so your business can be listed in the newspaper, on the list sent to the schools and you will receive a door poster welcoming the children.

Trick-or-treating is **NOT** limited to just the downtown businesses and has grown every year. Please contact the Chamber Office by Monday, October 18, 2021 to be included in the advertising and get a door sign.

Due to COVID-19 and construction happening, Burgess Health Center will be set up downtown passing out treats this year. They will be located next to ACTI II.

Do you have a hidden star in your business?



The Onawa Chamber is always looking for new benefits to being a Chamber Member and having a business in Onawa. If at anytime during the year, you have an employee who has gone above and beyond or have a new spectrum to your business, please send it in the Chamber to be put in the monthly Newsletter. So many times things go sight unseen in a business and the Chamber would like to make sure they get recognized.

Please send in the information and it will be placed in the next monthly newsletter. All information can be e-mailed to chamber@onawa.com.

Find that hidden star in your business and we will help make them shine.

National 4-H Week October 3-9, 2021

Join the community of young people across America and in Monona County who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills everyday.

National 4-H week invites everyone to make the 4-H connection by connecting with clubs, organizations and schools in the community to spread the word about what 4-H members are doing. There are approximately 250 4-Her's in Monona County. Be looking for club window displays through out the County.

All the 4-Her's and club leaders put a lot of time and effort into their groups. If you see a 4-Her or a club leader, be sure them thank them for all their hard work.

Join Monona County Extension Office in celebrating Iowa State University at their tailgate downtown Onawa. On Friday, October 8, 2021 from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. the staff will be serving a grilled hot dog lunch and goodies in the US Bank parking lot. The lunch is free and a fun way to celebrate a successful year for ISU athletics!

Iowa's Healthiest State Walk



The Annual Walk is an opportunity for your household, school, workplace, community or organization to join thousands of other Iowans statewide in **walking for 30 minutes on Wednesday, October 6, 2021**. Walk anytime of the day anywhere, just get out and walk for 30 minutes. We are walking because it is good for our physical, mental and emotional health.

The event's theme "Walk More. Connect More." encourages participants to re-connect while they walk. Following more than a year of social distancing and

disconnection, we are so excited for this opportunity. Our participation shows that we are invested in the well-being and social connectedness of our community members. The Healthiest State is encouraging Iowans to participate on social media with the hashtags #WalkMoreConnectMore and #HSIWalk2021 during the Annual Walk. Learn more at IowaHealthiestState.com/Walk. The Annual Walk also serves as a kick-off to Healthiest State Month, happening throughout October, encouraging Iowans to practice the 5-2-1-0 Healthy Choices Count! habits. Learn more: IowaHealthiestState.com/5210.

Pumpkin Smash Derby



On Saturday, October 23, 2021 Domination Motor Sports will be having their Pumpkin Smash Derby at the Monona County Fairgrounds. The event starts at 5:00 p.m. There will be Street Stock, Full Size, Compacts, FWD Hobo and Youth FWD Hobo.

Prices to enter are: grandstands: adult \$15, ages 6-10 \$5, 5 & under free and pit passes are \$25. Don't miss out on this last event of the year!

Chamber Board Members

Starting in January 2022 we have one Board Member up to renew her three year term and one open seat to fill. Katie Ramm, Burgess Health Center, has fulfilled a three year term and has accepted another three year term. Dana Coyle, Blackbird Bend Casino, has successfully completed her 3—3 year terms and will be missed. If you are interested or know of anyone interested in taking a seat on the Chamber Board of Directors, please let Jenn Collison know. A voting ballot to accept Katie Ramm for another three year term and to vote for the new Board Member will be in the November Newsletter.

THERE WILL BE NO WRITE-IN'S ON THE BALLOTT FORM!!!

Current Chamber Board Members are Curtis Sturgill, Morton Buildings; Rob Meyer, Bank First; Peg Ingram, US Bank; Lori Beck; Jen Shilling, Family Focus Chiropractic; Nick Holverson, Hoffman Agency; Katie Ramm, Burgess Health Center; Dana Coyle, Blackbird Bend Casino and Bryana Beneda, Minnihan Law Firm.

Please call or email the Chamber Office if you have any questions or would like to be put on the ballot form, 712-423-1801 or chamber@onawa.com.

ONA Pick Fall Adventure

On Friday, October 1st and Saturday, October 2nd four Chamber businesses will be hosting a “Fall Adventure.” **Found at 926, Back Closet, JJ Treasures & More and Act II Consignment Shop will be the hosts.**

Stop into any of the above stores on or before Friday, October 1st and get your passport and complete it for a chance to win 1 of 5 prizes. Don't miss out on this great “Fall Shopping Adventure!”

Onawa Methodist Church Roast Beef Dinner

Save the Date for Saturday, October 30th from 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. On the menu will be roast beef, mashed potatoes & gravy, coleslaw, green beans and desert. The cost is \$10 per meal. No on site eating due to COVID-19. To get your meal, you can drive-up which will be located in the alley or walk-up at the front door on 13th Street.

Mark your calendars now as you don't want to miss out on this yummy meal!

Calendar of Events for October

- | October 1 & 2 ONA Fall Pick Adventure.
- | October 6 Iowa's Healthiest Walk.
- | October 7 Chamber Board Meeting at noon at the Library.
- | October 8 CY-Day tailgate lunch at US Bank parking lot 11:30 am – 1 pm.
- | October 11 Columbus Day.
- | October 12 Onawa City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.
- | October 18 Deadline to get on the list for trick-or-treating.
- | October 22 Chamber Coffee at the Library hosted by Black Hills Energy.
- | October 23 Pumpkin Smash Derby at Monona County Fairgrounds 5 pm.
- | October 26 Onawa City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.
- | October 29 Downtown trick-or-treating 3 pm—5 pm.
- | October 30 Methodist Church Drive-thru roast beef dinner 5 pm—7 pm.
- | October 31 Happy Halloween!