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# Chamber News

SEPTEMBER 2023

## City Wide Garage Sale & Crazy Days

Friday, September 8th and Saturday, September 9th the Onawa Chamber will be hosting a Fall City Wide Garage Sales and Crazy Days. If you would like your residence or business on the list, please e-mail [chamber@onawa.com](mailto:chamber@onawa.com). This is a good time to clean out those closets, basements and garages before winter.

A complete list of all garage sales and business sales will be listed on [www.onawachamber.com](http://www.onawachamber.com) as well as a printed list in the outside lobby of the Onawa Public Library.

## Visions of Home 1st Anniversary

Come help celebrate their one year anniversary, open 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Chamber Coffee at 9:30, Cowboy Bob will be live at the store from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., food truck, drinks, cupcakes and much, much more.

There will also be great discounts on home décor. Please come and help them celebrate their 1st year in business. Congratulations!

## What's Happening at the Onawa Public Library?

After School Club every Wednesday 3:30—4:00 drop off and snack, 4:00—5:00 STEM Program.

Slim the Librarian Saturday, September 9th noon—1 and Sunday, September 10th 11—12 at the Harvest Festival. 50% of proceeds go back to the Onawa Public Library.

September is Library card sign up month. September 1st—September 30th sign up for a new card, update your current card and get entered into a weekly drawing.

Pippa White presenting The Story of the Orphan Train on September 28th at 4:00 p.m.

## Onabike XXXI

On Saturday August 26th, Onabike XXXI was held with approximately 154 riders in attendance. The weather was beautiful. After the riders came in, they received lunch at the Onawa Public Library catered by Frannie's Café. Riders came from Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Kansas to ride. Thank you to everyone who helped the day of the ride, the sponsors and to all the riders who came and participated!

## 21st ANNUAL CHAMBER GOLF TOURNAMENT

On Friday, August 4, 2023, the Onawa Chamber members and friends gathered at the Onawa Country Club for the 21st Annual Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament and a day of fun. The weather was a little muggy but a nice breeze helped keep things going. The event started at 9:30 a.m. and concluded about 5:30 p.m. As teams returned and scores were tallied, the winning teams were announced. 1st Flight, 1st place winner was Agri Vision. 1st Flight, 2nd place winner was Minnihan Law Firm. 2nd Flight, 1st place winner was Nutrien Ag 2nd Flight, 2nd place winner was JD Spirits. The winners of the “Try a New Sport” award was Monona County Fair #2 Women team.

### Hole prize winners were:

**HOLE 1** Longest Drive in the Fairway - MEN. Prize – portable cargo golf trunk organizer. Donated by Onawa Chamber. Winner: Kurt Peterson

**HOLE 2** Closest to Pin in 2 Shots. Prize – grilling set and cleaning brush. Donated by Onawa Chamber. Winner: Amy Reed.

**HOLE 3** Closest to Pin in 2 Shots. Prize – Fireball golf club and glow-in-the dark balls. Donated by Onawa Chamber. Winner: Steve Hiller.

**HOLE 4** Shortest Drive in the Fairway. Prize – Iowa Hawkeye door sign. Donated by Onawa Chamber. Winner: Mindy Menish

**HOLE 5** Longest Putt. Prize – 6-pack golf cooler. Donated by Onawa Chamber. Winner: Grace Addy.

**HOLE 6** Longest Putt. Prize – Chair, umbrella and lantern. Donated by US Bank. Winner: Keith Ramm.

**HOLE 8** Closest to the Pin. Prize – Iowa State door sign. Donated by Onawa Chamber. Winner: Wayne Rock.

**HOLE 9** Longest Drive in the Fairway—WOMEN. Prize— succulent plant truck. Donated by Onawa Chamber. Winner: Jody Cole.

**Thank you to all of the Hole Sponsors and teams that participated in the tournament this year.**

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Ramm Heating & Cooling

Farm Bureau – Brent McCall

Burgess Health Center

Minnihan Law Firm

Smashing Numbers

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## Ventures Arts & Crafts Show

Saturday, September 9th & Sunday, September 10th Ventures will celebrate its 50th year. Ventures offers attendees two days of shopping for handmade items, crafts, photography, antiques, unique jewelry, recycled or junk art, and much more! Proceeds are earmarked for college scholarships for high school seniors and 1<sup>st</sup>-year college students that wish to pursue a career in medicine. Food will be available for purchase throughout the day. All net proceeds benefit the Burgess Auxiliary and Burgess Health Center. Location is the Monona County Fairgrounds from 10 a.m.—3 p.m. each day.

## Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinner September 24th

The Onawa-Blencoe Knights of Columbus will host its annual Fall Chicken Dinner on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at St. John Catholic Church in Onawa from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Drive-Up: Walk in to place your order at either entrance or drive up in your car and park in the east parking lot. You can come into the church to place your order for to-go boxed meals. There is no drive-thru service this year. Dine-In: Park on 13<sup>th</sup> Street or Iowa Avenue or 12<sup>th</sup> Street or in the church parking lot on east side. Plenty of seating is available downstairs. You are all welcome here! Delivery: The Knights will deliver meals in town with no delivery fee. Call by noon to place your order at 431-6368.

## August Ribbon Cuttings

Friday, August 25th was a busy day for ribbon cuttings for the Chamber. Chamber Coffee was held at Par Greener Pastures to help celebrate Heather Bellis and her first year in business. Congratulations Heather and best of luck for the years to come.

After Hours was held at Dunes Dermatology of Onawa. Snacks and drinks were served as everyone got a tour of their new location. Congratulations on your new location and welcome to Onawa and the Chamber.



### **Calendar of Events for September 2023**

- | September 1 Chamber Coffee hosted by Visions of Home 9:30-10:30.  
| First Anniversary for Visions of home from 9:00-5:00.
- | September 4 Labor Day.
- | September 7 Chamber Board meeting at noon at the Library.
- | September 7-10 Onawa Harvest Festival.
- | September 8 Chamber Coffee and ribbon cutting hosted by Iowa Theater.
- | September 8-9 Onawa City Wide Garage Sale.
- | September 9-10 Ventures Craft Fair.
- | September 12 Onawa City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- | September 15 Chamber Coffee and ribbon cutting hosted by West Monona High School. Come see their newly remodeled office.
- | September 22 First Day of Autumn
- | September 24 Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinner 11 a.m.—1 p.m.
- | September 26 Onawa City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- | September 30 Methodist Church Bake Sale.