

Rusk Area Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

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Rusk Area Chamber of Commerce - Eat, Play, Shop... Live Rusk County!

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Check out that forecast...

Dear Rusk County Community Members,

Is it bad luck to share a photo of the weather forecast this far in advance? I am going to take my chances... because just LOOK at this forecast for the coming weekend!

Early this summer the Midwest experienced a ton of rain. Many weekend activities plagued by rain fall. Many golf league nights canceled due to rain or saturated grounds from a downpour the night before! It was like we could not escape it.

Finally, Mother Nature is on our sides for a big weekend... Mardi Gras! High 70's and low 80's with SUNSHINE SUNSHINE SUNSHINE!

I am so excited to experience my very first Mardi Gras weekend. The Chamber is hosting a Arts & Crafts/ Car show on Saturday morning, there is variety of musical performances, the parades, and so much more. I guess I should not plan on working on our house at all this weekend... we are going to be BUSY!

I hope you all have a wonderful & sunny weekend (please don't blame me if I have jinxed us...), and it is filled with family, friends, and fun. Please be safe!

-Jenna Schostkewitz

Executive Director



Interested in becoming a Community

Investor? Email

manager@liveruskcounty.com





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UPCOMING EVENTS - MUSIC ON MINER





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UPCOMING EVENTS - LIVE MUSIC

Ladysmith Music in the Park Summer 2024 Schedule June 6 Marshal Star Band June 13 The Unlucky 7s June 20 Songa Trio **June 27 Stefan Geisinger Band** July 3 WEDS - Danville July 11 South of 8 PRE-MARDI GRAS PARTYI the July 25 - Squirrel Cage August 1 - Best in Class

IN THE AMPHITHEATER **August 8th - Catalyst** New this year! Food vendors every show! All shows are Thursdays 6-8 pm, except for Weds July 3 All shows are at the Veteran's Memorial Pavilion except Aug 1 in the Amphitheater Bring a chair! n case of rain, event will be at Worden Avenue Exchange LADYSMITH MUSIC IN THE PARK HOSTED BY







UPCOMING EVENTS - LIVE MUSIC

THE THUNDERMEN

Friday, July 19







SUNDAY, JULY 21 1-4 IN THE PHAT SHAC Live Music at Phat Bob's Big Swedes

Friday July 19- The Thundermen 7pm-11pm

Saturday July 20- Leather Mustang 7pm -11pm

Dolly Parton & Alan Jackson Look-alike contest judging at 9pm

Sunday July 21- The Rundowns 1pm-4pm



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LIVE @MINER STATION

07/20 1-4PM





UPCOMING EVENTS - MARDI GRAS

2024 Northland Mardi Gras Dates!



July 18-21, 2024

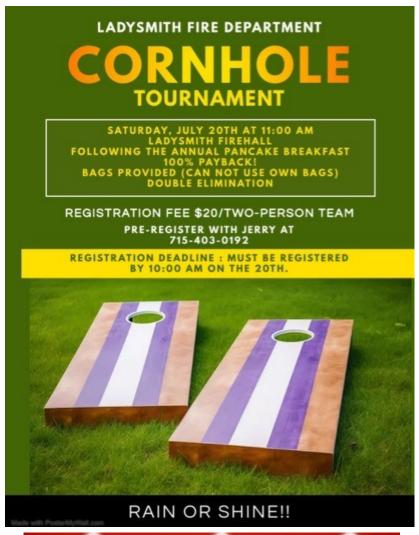






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"Congratulations to our 2024 Mardi Gras Ambassador Court. What an amazing group of youth leaders. The Northland Community Club donates money to each member of the court's cause they chose to compete for.

(R to L)

2nd Runner Up: Jordan Sandlin with a \$75 donation to Power House Ladysmith

1st Runner Up: Savannah Burlingame with a \$150 donation to Fishing Has No Boundaries.

Ambassador Select: Josie Lybert with a \$75 donation to Women With Courage

And your 2024 Mardi Gras Ambassador Charley Nobles with a \$200 donation to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention-Wisconsin Chapter.

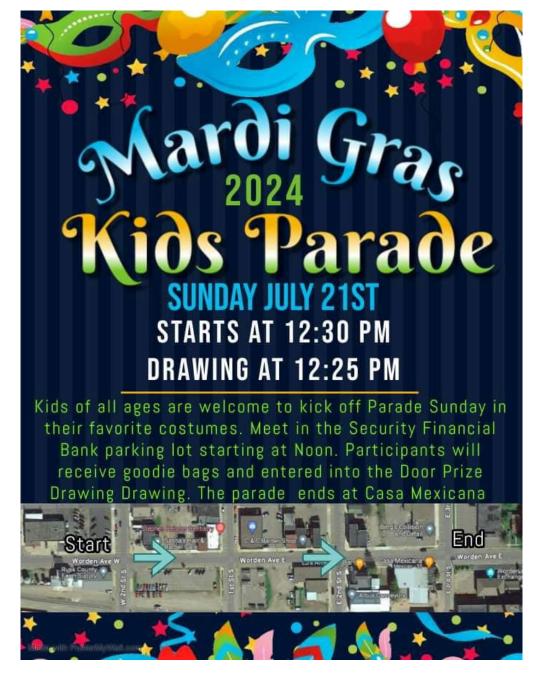
Make sure to congratulate them on their hard work when you see them this week at Mardi Gras" - Source: Ladysmith's Northland Mardi Gras Facebook Page





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POP UP ART SHOW
Mardi Gras 07/20/24
Security Financial
Bank Community
Room 10 to 2.
RAAA Artists
Prize & Cookies



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Thursday, July 18th

- 4:00 p.m.- Ribbon Cutting and Opening Ceremony / Entrance to Memorial Park
- ♦ 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage D.J. Music by "Royal Entertainment"/Memorial Park
- 5:00 p.m.- Christman Amusements Opens / Memorial Park
- 5:00 p.m.- Beer Garden Opens-\$3.00 Gate Admission Fee / Memorial Park •
- ♦ 6:00 p.m.- Tri-County Little League Majors ALL STAR GAME / Fair-grounds
- 6:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m.- Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage "Ember" / Memorial Park
- 11:00 p.m.- Beer Garden Closes Down 11:00 p.m.- Closing Down Of Festival Grounds

Friday, July 19th

- ♦ 12:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.- Rusk County Historical Society Museum Open/ Fairgrounds
- 3:00 p.m.- Christman Amusements Opens
- 3:00 p.m.-Beer Garden Opens-\$3.00 Gate Admission Fee / Memorial
- 3:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.- Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage "Gundo" / Memorial Park
- 5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.- Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage Presents "The Dam Lincolns" /Memorial Park
- ◆ 6:00 p.m. Family Event To Be Announced / Memorial Park Amphitheater (40-minute free show)
- 7:00 p.m. Rusk Co. Jr. Fair Truck & Tractor Pull at Rusk County Fair-grounds
 9:00 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage presents "Derek Jones & The 50 South"/Memorial Park
- 10:00 p.m.- Venetian Night Parade and Fireworks Show / Flambeau River-Memorial Park
- 12:00 a.m.- Closing Down of Beer Garden and Festival Grounds



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Saturday, July 20th

- 7:00 a.m.- Mardi Gras Open Golf Tournament / Mickey's on the Flambeau/ Tee-A-Way Golf and Supper Club
- 8:00 a.m. Race Start Time for "Blue Hills Running Club" Mardi Gras 5K/10K Walk Run and Kids 400M Dash 12 and under. Ladysmith High School – No charge, no shirts provided. Donations accepted for Blue Hills Running Camp for youth - bluehillsrunning@gmail.com for more info.
- 8:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.- Firefighters Pancake Feed / Ladysmith Fire Hall
 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Rusk County Farmer's Market Lake Ave & E.
 2nd St. Parking Lot Downtown Ladysmith
- 8:30 a.m Registration for Mardi Gras 3 on 3 Basketball Memorial Park
 9:00 a.m. Start Time
- 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.- Mardi Gras Arts & Craft Fair / Downtown Ladysmith
- 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Car Show Downtown Ladysmith.
- 10:30 a.m.- Cornhole / Ladysmith Fire Hall 11:00 a.m. Horseshoes registration/ Memorial Park. \$5 per person, 100% payback, draw a partner.
 12:00 p.m. Horseshoes Tournament/ Memorial Park. Contact Bill at 715-532-7275 for more info.
- 12:00 p.m.-1:00p.m. Sensory Hour (smaller crowds, reduced noise/ music at games, rides and main stage)
- 12:00-2:00 p.m.- Music by "Joe's Music"/Festival Midway Memorial Park
- 12:30 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.- Rusk County Historical Society Museum Open / Fairgrounds
- 1:00 p.m.- Beer Garden Opens-\$3.00 Gate Admission Fee / Memorial Park
- ◆ 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage "Jennifer Reisch"/Memorial Park
- ◆ 1:00 p.m.-4:00p.m. Bingo Armstrong Pavilion/Memorial Park Proceeds go to the Hawkins Lions Club
- 2:00 p.m. Family Event To Be Announced / Memorial Park Amphitheater (40-minute free show)
- 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. Parade Float Tour Memorial Park Beach
- ◆ 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage presents "Greater Than Human"/Memorial Park
- 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Free Kartoon Caricatures by Pete and Dian Wagner Memorial Park 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage presents "Curious Crow"/Memorial Park
- 9:00 p.m.-11:30 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage Presents "Moon Fever"/Memorial Park
- 10:00 p.m.- Venetian Night Parade and Fireworks Show / Flambeau River
 -Memorial Park
- 12:00 a.m.- Closing Down of Beer Garden and Festival Grounds



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Sunday, July 21st

- 10:30 a.m.- Parade Registration Begins / Ladysmith Elementary Parking Lot (E. 8th St. & Miner Ave.) \$25 fee for non-Mardi Gras sponsors.
- 12.00 p.m.- Christman Amusements opens / Memorial Park •
 12:30 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.- Rusk County Historical Society Museum Open / Fairgrounds
- 12:30 p.m.-Kiddie Parade / Downtown Ladysmith-Miner Avenue
- 1:00 p.m.- Street Parade / Downtown Ladysmith-Worden & Miner Avenue
- Chicken Poop Contest at Miner Station following parade**
- 2:00 p.m.-4:00p.m. Bingo Armstrong Pavilion/Memorial Park
 Proceeds go to the Hawkins Lions Club
- 3:00 p.m. Balloon Animal Twisting by Zor Misfitz Memorial Park/Festival Midway – Free – Donations accepted.
- 3:00 p.m.- Beer Garden Opens-\$3.00 Gate Admission Fee / Memorial Park
- ♦ 3:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage presents "Sean & Ian Okamoto" / Memorial Park
- 3:00 p.m. Queen's Court Memorial Park 6:00 p.m. Raffle Drawings
- 6:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. Veteran's Memorial Pavilion Stage Presents "Catalyst"/ Memorial Park

2024 Ladysmith Northland Mardi Gras Schedule of Events Presented By The Northland Community Club Memorial Park-Ladysmith, WI July 18-21 2024 FULL SCHEDULE AND MORE DETAILS AT www.NORTHLANDMARDIGRAS.com

^{**}not organized by Northland Mardi Gras





UPCOMING EVENTS - MARKETS AND FAIRS

June 18 thru Sept. 24

Stacker City Farmers Market

Tuesdays • 4-6 p.m. MILL YARD PARK CORNELL



ALL FROM LOCAL VENDORS - FREE ADMISSION

No charge for vendors to setup. Tables are provided, 1 per vendor only. No direct sales. Handmade or homemade items only.



MARKET SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY **AFTERNOONS**

NOON - 4:00 PM

SATURDAY MORNINGS

8:30 AM - NOON

Open Every Market Day, Rain or Shine

Mid-June to Mid-October

https://rusk.extension.wisc.edu/agriculture/ farmers-markets/

Find Us on Facebook & LocalHarvest.org

On the corner of Highway 8 and Second Street Ladysmith, WI (in the lot on the West Side of the Rusk County Government Center)



Call 715-239-2028

There's No Day Like Farmers **Market Day!**





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JUNE 11TH- AUGUST 13TH 5:30PM-BRUCE TRACK





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UPCOMING EVENTS - MINER THEATER





Friday, July 19th - 7pm

Saturday, July 20th - 2pm & 7pm

Sunday, July 21st - 2pm & 7pm



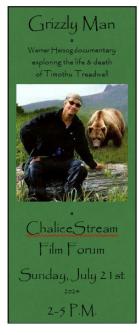






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Hope Lutheran Church , Ladysmith, WI 320 1st Street South, Ladysmith for more info call Laura Johnson 715-579-9363

Vacation Bible School will be held Monday, July 22 through Wednesday July 24 from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm

The theme for this year's VBS is "Camp Firelight"

A Summer Day Camp adventure with God (based on Psalm 56:3). For children who have recently completed Pre K through 5th Grade. Lessons, Crafts, Music, & Science Experiments. A light supper will be served each evening.

Registration forms can be found on the church's website (hlcladysmith.org) or registration can be completed the first day. All are welcome.





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lonprofit Development

OCT. 16 | ONLINE

You will walk away with tools, techniques, and ideas to help you develop short and long term funding plans.

REGISTER TODAY!

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

through our partnership with:





UNION.

See details on our website!

University of Wisconsin Eau Claire

Continuing Education

UPCOMING OPEN PLAYGROUPS

ICAA Family Resource Center is hosting FREE EVENTS for families. Activities with a snack.

WE 10:00 - 11:30 A.M. 21ST 1000 COLLEGE AVE W., LADYSMITH WI

> 10:00 - 11:30 A.M. MEMORIAL PARK, LADYSMITH WI

NGUS! 1ST

1:00 - 3:00 P.M.



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Contact Us. Call Allison, Aryn or Lauren at 715-532-4222



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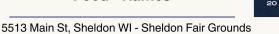
Vendors of all kinds are coming together for the 1st Annual Sheldon Craft Show! Bucket Raffles, Raffle Boards and 50/50 Drawings, all to help raise money for the Sheldon Fire Department during their Truck & Tractor Pull event. Craft Show is FREE to attend, and the Truck & Tractor pull is \$10 per person to attend.



CRAFT SHOW TIMES: JULY 26TH, 6PM-10PM JULY 27TH, 2PM-7PM



Support Local Artisans - Truck & Tractor Pull (Admission \$10) -Food - Raffles







We are still accepting vendors! Email Amanda Camren for more information!



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RIBBON CUTTINGS





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RUSK COUNTY LIBRARY CORNER





Cookbook Club Bring your favorite dish!

Show off your best recipes by bringing your fave dish to share All cooks are welcome to join!



Rusk County Community Library **Walking Group**

Wednesday mornings @8:30am

Meet in front of the Library 418 Corbett Ave W Ladysmith, WI

Everyone is welcome to join!







In Person Events

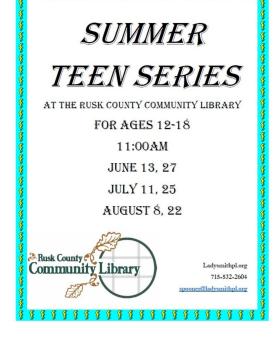
July 5: Sean the Mammoth Hunter

August 2: Storytime and Crafts

Fridays at 11am Presentation

July 12: Storytime and Crafts July 19: Scavenger Hunt in the Library July 26: Chris Cold Wisconsin Wildlife Presentation

August 9: Petting Zoo August 16: Movie Party







Thursday July 18

 Ladysmith Mardi Gras opening day. See full schedule for details on the day's activities

Friday July 19

- Ladysmith Northland Mardi Gras. See full schedule for details
- LIVE MUSIC at Veterans Memorial Pavilion "Gundo" at 5pm
- LIVE MUSIC at Veterans Memorial Pavilion "The Dam Lincolns" at 8:30 pm
- Magic Show (family event) at Memorial Park Amphitheater 6pm
- Rusk Co Jr Fair Truck & Tractor pull @ Rusk County Fairgrounds 7pm
- LIVE MUSIC at Veterans Memorial Pavilion "Derek Jones & The 50 South" 9pm
- Venetian Night Parade/Fireworks at Flambeau River- Memorial Park
 10pm
- ◆ LIVE MUSIC at Phat Bob's Big Swedes "The Thundermen" 7pm-11pm

Saturday July 20

- Mardi Gras Open Golf Tournament at Tee Away @ 8am
- Race start time for Blue Hills Running Club Mardi Gras 5k/10k walk/ run @ 8am
- Rusk County Farmer's Market 8am-noon
- Pancake Breakfast at Ladysmith Firehall @ 8am-11am
- Mardi Gras Arts & Craft Fair in Security Financial Bank Parking lot @ 9am-2pm
- Mardi Gras Car Show on Worden Ave @ 10am-1pm
- Cornhole tournament at Ladysmith Firehall @ 10am
- LIVE MUSIC by "Joe's Music" in Memorial Park/Festival Midway @ 12pm-2pm
- ◆ LIVE MUSIC "Jennifer Reisch" at Veterans Memorial Pavilion @ 1pm-2:30pm
- BINGO with the Hawkins Lions Club at Armstrong Pavilion/Veterans Memorial Park @ 1pm-4pm
- Yo-Yo Tricks & Comedy (family event) at Memorial Park Amphitheater
 @2pm
- Parade Float Tour at Memorial Park Beach @ 3pm-4pm
- ◆ LIVE MUSIC "Greater Than Human" at Memorial Park @ 3pm-5pm
- ◆ LIVE MUSIC "Curious Crow" at Memorial Park @ 5:30pm-8:30pm
- Yo-Yo Tricks & Comedy (family event) at Memorial Park Amphitheater
 @6pm
- ◆ LIVE MUSIC "Moon Fever" at Memorial Park @9pm-11:30pm
- Venetian Night Parade/Fireworks at Flambeau River- Memorial Park
 10pm





 LIVE MUSIC "Leather Mustang" at Phat Bob's Big Swedes and Dolly Parton Alan Jackson lookalike contest 7pm-11pm

Sunday July 21

- Chalice Stream Film Forum "Grizzly Man" @ 2pm-5pm
- Mardi Gras Kiddie Parade Downtown Ladysmith 12:30pm
- Street Parade Downtown Ladysmith 1pm
- Miner Station Chicken Poop contest following parade
- BINGO with the Hawkins Lions Club at Armstrong Pavilion/Veterans Memorial Park @ 1pm-4pm
- Balloon Animal Twisting at Memorial Park Festival Midway 3pm
- LIVE MUSIC "Sean & Ian Okamoto" at Veterans Memorial Pavilion Stage 3pm-5pm
- LIVE MUSIC "Ladysmith City Limits" at Veterans Memorial Pavilion Stage 6pm-8:30pm
- ♦ LIVE MUSIC "The Rundowns" at Phat Bob's Big Swedes 1pm-4pm

Tuesday July 23

- Farmer's Market at Mill Yard Park in Cornell @ 4pm-6pm
- Track Tuesdays at Bruce Track @ 5:30pm

Thursday July 25

 MUSIC IN THE PARK "Squirrel Cage" at Veterans Memorial Park in Ladysmith 6pm-8pm

Friday July 26

- Sheldon Craft Show at the Sheldon Park @ 6:00pm-10:00pm
- Sheldon Fire Department Truck Pull 7pm

Saturday July 27

- ◆ Sheldon Craft Show at the Sheldon Park @ 6:00pm-10:00pm
- VMA Car & Cycle Show at DropZone @ 10:00am-2:00pm
- Masquerade Murder Mystery Dinner at Paradise Shores @ 5:30pm
- Rusk County Farmers Market @ 8:30am-noon
- Chetek Farmers Market @ 9am-1pm

Thursday August 1

MUSIC IN THE PARK "Best in Class" Veterans Memorial Park Amphitheater Ladysmith

Tuesday August 6

National Night Out at Veterans Memorial Park

Thursday August 8

MUSIC IN THE PARK "Catalyst" Veterans Memorial Park Ladysmith





Miner Avenue Construction





Miner Avenue GIVEAWAY!

\$400 MONTHLY IN CHAMBER BUCKS TO BE GIVEN AWAY!
Winners pulled once per month, on the last day of the month.
Prizes will be mailed, please fill out full form for eligibility.
Forms available at many storefronts on Miner Avenue

Grand prize opportunity!

Rusk Area Chamber of Commerce Chamber Bucks Giveaway entry ticket		
lcket	Name:	Theatre Lounge What's Brewing at JT's Lois, Lann, & Bean LLB Boutique Shabby Inspirations
July 1	Theater Lounge What's Brewing at JT's Lounge Boutique	Shabby Miner Station Shabby Inspirations Miner Station

Your *July Miner Avenue Train Ticket* is your one way ticket to the GRAND PRIZE! Visit all five businesses listed here and get your train ticket punched. Tickets available in June at storefronts along Miner. Once you have successfully visited all your stops, submit your ticket in one of the chamber bucks containers!

Must have all spots punched by the business. Winners will be pulled at the end of the month. GRAND PRIZE is \$150 in Chamber Bucks!



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LIVING RUSK COUNTY



Photos from Bruce Bluehills Fest 2024

Eat, Play, Shop... Live-

July 12th-14th



#LiveRuskCounty

Young fawn has a snack off the apple tree



Marsha & Frank take a swim at the sandbar on Lake Flambeau

We want to see how YOU live Rusk County! Please submit photos to

manager@liveruskcounty.com to be

featured