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WHAT'S UP?

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How about that warm weather?

Dear Community Members,

As the sun graces us with its warmth and the days grow longer, I am filled with excitement to welcome the arrival of our much-anticipated summer season. With its arrival comes a plethora of vibrant events and activities tailored to suit every member of our diverse community. From lively street festivals to fun filled events in the park, there will be no shortage of opportunities for us to come together and celebrate the joys of Spring and Summer.

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

Whether you're a fan of outdoor concerts, wine and beer tastings, or simply soaking up the sun with friends and family, this summer promises to be one for the books.

So, dust off your sunglasses, pack your picnic baskets, and get ready to make unforgettable memories in 2024.

Warm regards

-Jenna Schostkewitz

Executive Director



Visit us online!



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Interested in becoming a Community Investor? Email

manager@liveruskcounty.com

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COMMUNITY AWARDS

2024 Rusk County Community Awards

- Small Business of the Year
- Large Business of the Year
- Green Award
- Civic Organization
- Youth Organization
- Farm Family of the Year
- New Venture
- Volunteer of the Year
- Youth Volunteer
- Educator of the Year
- Student of the Year
- Community Leader of the Year
- Legacy Award

Please nominate individuals, businesses, and organizations online at www.liveruskcounty.com or fill out a paper nomination at the following locations: Rusk County Library, Rusk County Visitor Center, SFB, Ladysmith Federal, CCF Bank, Superior Choice Credit Union

Please send in your nominations for the 2024 Rusk Area Community Awards!

Follow the link below to submit yours.

Paper submissions available at Rusk County Library, Rusk County Visitor Center, Security Financial Bank, CCF Bank, and Superior Choice Credit Union.

Event date and details will be available soon!

[Submit Nominations! Click Here](#)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

PROJECT GRADUATION | **2024**

APRIL 20TH | **VMA DROP ZONE**

DOORS OPEN AT 10AM

CORNHOLE
\$20 PER TEAM

12 PM
4PM

TEAM REGISTRATION CLOSSES AT 11 AM

1 PM
3PM | **BINGO**
\$2 PER CARD

**BASKET RAFFLES,
CASH PRIZES, & FOOD!** | **PRIZES @4**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO CLASS OF 2024
PROJECT GRADUATION**

SO FUN | **ALL AGES WELCOME!**

Cookbook Club

celebrating Cajun food and culture

May 19th 2:30pm

lower level of the Library
(East Room)



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January 6 th	9-12:30 pm
February 3 rd	Rusk County Senior/Youth Center (Fairgrounds)
March 2 nd	
April 6 th	
May 4 th	



Check our Facebook page for more information, including each month's vendors and educational presentation. FoodShare/WI Quest accepted.

HEALTH AND FREEDOM EXPO

HOSTED BY THE FLAMBEAU FALLS TRUTHSEEKERS

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH ~ 10AM-2PM
LADYSMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
115 E 6TH ST S, LADYSMITH, WI 54848

LIVE EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS ~ INFORMATIVE EXHIBITS ~ LOCAL RESOURCES
JOIN US FOR AN EMPOWERING DAY OF LEARNING, CONNECTIONS, AND FUN!



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RCCF Estate Planning Seminar **The Power of Planning for the Future**

MAY

9

4:30 – 6:30 PM
Hors d'oeuvres &
refreshments

5:00 – 6:00 PM
Presentation

Worden Exchange
310 Worden Ave,
Ladysmith

Free Event

RVSP by April 30
Email info@rccfwi.org
or mail enclosed
RSVP card

715-210-4446 • info@rccfwi.org • www.rccfwi.org
RCCF is a regional affiliate fund of the Eau Claire Community Foundation

The Power of Planning for the Future

Learn from the experts:

- Reduce Taxes
- Avoid Probate
- Strategic Estate Planning

Presented by:



Cindy L. Hangartner
Attorney, Shareholder
Crivello, Nichols & Hall, S.C.

Sponsored By:



Andrew Schlafer
CFP, Director
Baird - Private Wealth
Management



**THE RUSK COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

**1ST ANNUAL
FALCON OPEN**

BENEFIT FOR THE FLAMBEAU
FOREVER FOUNDATION

SATURDAY, JUNE 29TH • 11AM
TEE AWAY GOLF COURSE

\$200 PER TEAM (4 PERSON TEAMS)
CART RENTAL IS EXTRA

REGISTRATION OPEN TO FLAMBEAU
ALUMNI UNTIL MAY 15TH

REGISTRATION OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
ON MAY 15TH

- PUTTING GREEN GAMES
- HOLE PRIZES
- CASH DRAWINGS
- 50/50 RAFFLES
- BUCKET RAFFLES
- FOOD FOR PURCHASE
- BEVERAGE CART

REGISTER HERE!
18 TEAMS MAX!

BE A HOLE SPONSOR FOR ONLY
\$50! CONTACT TED ALBERSON AT
TED.ALBERSON50@GMAIL.COM
TO SUPPORT OUR EVENT!






Doubles Pool Tournament!

**Saturday April 20th @ 10:30 am check
in**

\$40 per team, 100% payout!

FREE LUNCH!



Call Miner Station to sign up
715-609-1313
211 Miner Ave W, Ladysmith
WI 54848

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Bicycle Thieves



a
ChaliceStream
Film Forum

Sunday, April 21st
2024
2-5 p.m.

April's Film Forum at ChaliceStream (Sunday, April 21st from 2-5) will feature the 1949 masterpiece, "Bicycle Thieves."

Hailed around the world as one of the greatest movies ever made, the Academy-winning *Bicycle Thieves*, directed by Vittorio De Sica, defined an era in cinema.

In poverty-stricken postwar Rome, a man is on his first day of a new job that offers hope of salvation for his desperate family when his bicycle, which he needs for work, is stolen. With his young son in tow, he sets off to track down the thief.

Simple in construction and profoundly rich in human insight, *Bicycle Thieves* embodies the greatest strengths of the Italian neorealist movement: emotional clarity, social rectitude, and brutal honesty.

Refreshments at the forum include both chilled and heated beverages, freshly popped corn, and homemade ice cream. Admission is free, with an optional free-will donation bowl available.

ChaliceStream Studio is located 5 miles south of Ladysmith, just off Hwy 27 on Deertail Road. (W8555 Deertail Road, Ladysmith, WI 54848) Phone: (715) 532-6863



CONTINUING EDUCATION



April 24, 2024 | 11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Calling all administrative professionals! Join this Microsoft Teams webinar to celebrate Administrative Professionals Day.

This event is **FREE** and open to all.

Unlock the potential of AI-driven innovation with Microsoft Copilot, ChatGPT, and Art AI. Join our interactive workshop to explore the cutting-edge capabilities of Microsoft Copilot and discover how it can revolutionize your automation of the tasks that are NOT our favorite in the office. In this AI session, you'll learn how to harness the power of AI to boost productivity, enhance creativity, and streamline your daily tasks.

11:45 a.m. – 12 p.m.



Namaste with Duluth Goat Yoga

12 p.m. – 1 p.m.

The Power of Microsoft Copilot for Innovation: In the BLINK of an AI

Corinne Hoisington, Innovative Educator Consulting

How do I register?

➤ **Scan the QR code to visit the webpage**



➤ **ONLINE**

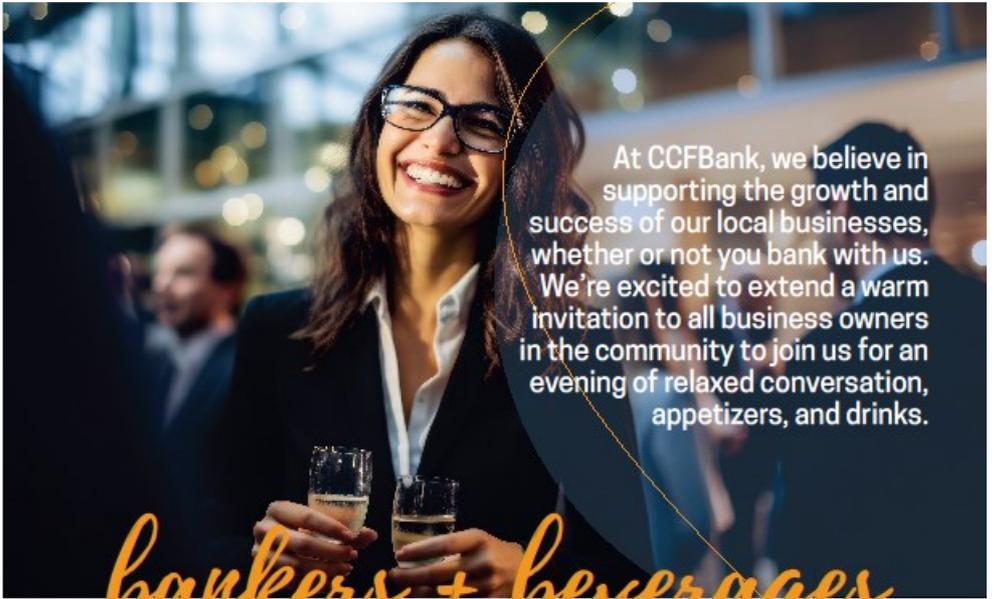
NorthwoodTech.edu/Admin-Professionals-Day-April2024



Corinne Hoisington, a veteran professor at Central Virginia Community College, has over 25 years of teaching experience in Information Systems Technology. For more information, please visit <https://professorcorinne.com/about-me/>.

*Sponsored by the Administrative Coordinator program to recognize Administrative Professionals Day 2024.

WHAT'S UP?



At CCFBank, we believe in supporting the growth and success of our local businesses, whether or not you bank with us. We're excited to extend a warm invitation to all business owners in the community to join us for an evening of relaxed conversation, appetizers, and drinks.

bankers + beverages

A HAPPY HOUR FOR BUSINESS OWNERS

HEART OF THE NORTH BREWING

Wednesday, June 5 @ 5pm

N4038 State Hwy 27
Ladysmith, WI 54848

Delicious Appetizers & Refreshments On Us

Heart of The North Brewing features innovative craft beers brewed right here in the heart of Northern Wisconsin. We'll also provide appetizers and wood-fired pizzas made from local organic ingredients.

RSVP REQUESTED

To ensure we are abundant hosts, we kindly request your RSVP by May 22. To do so, or for any inquiries, please contact:

Ronda Johnson
715.532.7279 press 0

Forge Local Business Connections

Our CCFBank Ladysmith team will be on hand to chat with you in a relaxed setting. Ask questions, share your challenges, or simply connect with fellow local business owners.

Zero Pressure

This happy hour is all about sharing knowledge, fostering connections, and supporting our local business community. There's no sales pitch—just good company.

EVENTS 2024
APRIL/MAY SCHEDULE

- FRI 26** **MAD BATTER FOOD TRAILER WILL BE HERE**
309 Worden Ave W, Ladysmith
- SAT 27** **SIP & SHOP WITH LILLA ROSE/CRAFTS & LOLA'S LUNCHBOX FOOD TRK**
309 Worden Ave W, Ladysmith
- SAT 4** **SHIP & SHOP BUMBLING CHAOS AND BEAUDIN BOTANIQUE**
309 Worden Ave W, Ladysmith
- SAT 18** **STOP DOWN AND CHECK OUT KEEP-R-CLEAN AND THERE REFURBISHED FURNITURE**
309 Worden Ave W, Ladysmith

MORE INFO: **WHAT'S BREWING AT JT'S**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday April 18

- ◆ 5:05 Business After Hours at Heart of the North Brewing with Ladysmith Federal Credit Union @ 5:05pm

Saturday April 20

- ◆ Miner Station Doubles Pool Tournament @ 10:30am
- ◆ Project Graduation at VMA Drop Zone starting @ 10:00am
- ◆ Health and Freedom Expo at Ladysmith Elementary @ 10:00am

Sunday April 21

- ◆ Chalice Stream Studio Film Forum showing "Bicycle Thieves" @ 2:00pm-5:00pm

Wednesday April 24

- ◆ Virtual Wellness Summit @ 11:45-1:00pm

Saturday April 27

- ◆ Drug take back day at Rusk County Community Library @ 10:00am-12:30pm

Saturday May 4

- ◆ Last Winter Farmer's Market at Rusk County Senior/Youth Center @ 9am-12:30pm

Thursday May 9

- ◆ Estate Planning Seminar at Worden Avenue Exchange @ 4:30pm-6:30pm

Sunday May 19

- ◆ Cookbook Club at Rusk County Community Library @ 2:30pm

Wednesday June 5

- ◆ CCF Bankers & Beverages Happy Hour for Business Owners at Heart of the North Brewing @ 5:00pm

Saturday June 29

- ◆ 1st Annual Falcon Open at Tee Away Golf Course @ 11:00am

[Click here to view the Rusk Area Chamber of Commerce Calendar](#)

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NEXT 5:05 BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

The 5:05 Business After Hours

Presented by...



Thursday April 18th @ 5:05 pm - 6:30 pm

Heart of the North Brewing Co.

N4038 State Hwy 27, Ladysmith, WI, United States, 54848

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

What is a 5:05?

- An opportunity to network and socialize with other local professionals
- Build business connections in the community
- Learn more about the Rusk Area Chamber of Commerce and its Community Investors as well as current projects

- Promote your business or organization
- Enjoy complimentary hors d'oevres and bev-

Business Card Drawing & 50/50 Raffle at

Event sponsored by:

Contact manager@liveruskcounty.com with any questions



Are you interested in hosting or sponsoring a 5:05 event?

Email

manager@liveruskcounty.com

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HAPPENINGS

DENIM DAY
April 24, 2024

#DENIMDAY

Support survivors and educate your community by hosting an awareness display and asking your staff to wear denim.

Denim Day is a worldwide campaign where folks wear denim to raise awareness about sexual assault. This movement arose from the outrage that followed a 1992 Italian Supreme Court decision to overturn a rape conviction because the survivor wore tight jeans.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW YOUR BUSINESS CAN PARTICIPATE CALL EMBRACE 715-532-6976

embrace

Not Accepted

- Aerosol Cans
- Contains Iodine
- Illegal Drugs
- Hazardous
- Household Waste
- Anything containing bodily fluids

What To Bring

- Capsules
- Creams/Ointments
- Inhalers
- Non-Aerosol Sprays
- Pills
- Patches
- Vials
- Pet Medication
- Vapes

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Drug Take Back Day

Sharps Disposal & Vape Disposal Will Be Available

Saturday April 27th
10 am to 12:30 pm

At the Rusk County Community Library

Bring your unused and expired prescription and over-the-counter medications to the Library during the event. There will be resources available.

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Miner Avenue Construction

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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.

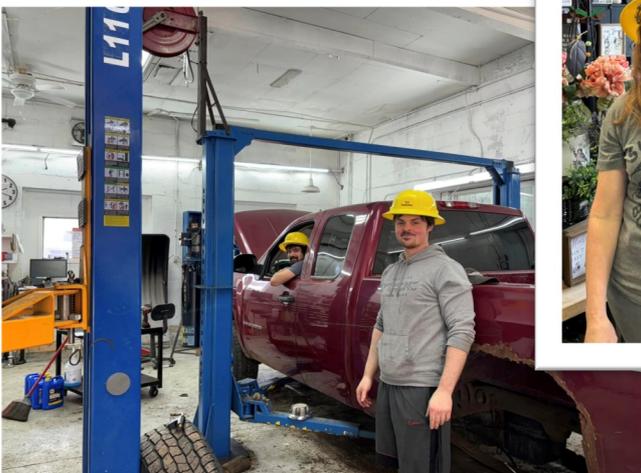
Forms available at many storefronts on Miner Avenue

Downtown Ladysmith is OPEN!

Miner Avenue reconstruction is officially underway! In this section we will be highlighting Downtown Ladysmith while it is under construction.

This will include any giveaway promotions, downtown events, sales, and happenings.

Please send information to manager@liveruskcounty.com to be featured here.



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Visitor Center Display Case

April - Ladysmith Federal Savings & Loan



If your business or organization is interested in filling the display case at the Rusk County Visitor Center, please email manager@liveruskcounty.com



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LIVING RUSK COUNTY

We want to see how YOU live Rusk County!

Please submit photos to

manager@liveruskcounty.com to be

featured

#LiveRuskCounty

