

Calendar of Events

July 17, 2020
- November 1, 2020

Warren County Parks and Trails Geocaching Fish Adventure

Warren County Parks and Trails

Now through November 1

Grab your GPS, your binoculars and hiking boots and get ready to explore!

Find all 25 geocaches in county, state and city parks around Warren County. You can trade cards to complete your collection. Take a picture and bring your 25 cards and your photo to the Annette Center to receive the coordinate to the last cache challenge by November 1st, 2020.

All participants who successfully finish the challenge by November 1, 2020 will receive a prize and your photo will be posted on the Warren County Conservation Board Facebook page.

Find the rules and coordinates for the 2020 Warren County Park & Trails Geocaching Fish Adventure [here](#).

August 3, 2020

Grow Solar Warren County - Free Virtual Solar Power Hour with MREA 8/3

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/3915930301984/WN_v2aYGfKS6WXgYdhgOTDJA

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

Peter Murphy, 414-988-7963

peterm@midwestrenew.org

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Grow Solar Warren County is offered by The Nature Conservancy in Iowa, Indianola Sustainability Committee, Warren County Economic Development, and the Cities of Indianola and Carlisle, and the Midwest Renewable Energy Association. Home and business owners throughout Warren County may participate in this program to help pool their buying power to secure significant discounts that make installing solar more affordable.

August 5, 2020

Virtual Coffee with the Chamber - Instagram Business

09:00 AM - 10:00 AM CST

Brenda Easter,

Brenda@indianolachamber.com

Brenda Easter is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting Sponsored by Simpson College.

When: August 5 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83784151926?pwd=VGRJZGRKZ1I6b3NzTU5tWEx1c04rdz09>

Meeting ID: 837 8415 1926

Passcode: 367359

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbwzCvsmfT>

August 8, 2020

Skinning and Butchering Program

Annett Nature Center

15565 118th Avenue

Indianola, IA 50125

Begins at 8 a.m.

Annett Nature Center,

Learn techniques to butcher and get the most for your freezer out of your pheasant, deer or turkey.

When: August 8 1 p.m.

Where: Annett Nature Center

Cost \$15

Registration Required. Space Limited. 5 Participants Required to hold class -- 16 years of age and above.

August 12, 2020

Grow Solar Warren County - Free Virtual Solar Power Hour with MREA 8/12
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August 15, 2020

Indianola Classic Car Show and Shine
TruBank
1401 N Jefferson Way
Indianola, IA 50125
04:00 PM - 07:00 PM CST
Find Us On Facebook,
When: July 25, August 15, September 19
4 p.m. - 7 p.m.
No Rain Dates
Where: TruBank Parking Lot, 1401 N Jefferson (Across from Walmart), Indianola
*Kid's Pick * Wife's Pick * Door Prizes * 50/50 Drawing * No Entry Fee*

August 18, 2020

Grow Solar Warren County - Free Virtual Solar Power Hour with MREA 8/18
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August 26, 2020

Top Five For Small Business: What's in the Box - Seven Deadly Sins and Your Employee Handbook

Indianola Chamber of Commerce

111 N. Buxton, Suite 117

Indianola, IA 50125

12 PM

This Top Five series will feature experts in human resources, marketing, accounting, IT and others. They will introduce five things on certain topics that will help you be successful in your small business.

Attorneys Brent Hinders, Hugh Cain and Eric Updegraff will walk you through the seven key factors that should be considered in an effective employee handbook. This presentation is a creative reflection on lust, gluttony, greed, sloth, wrath, envy and pride and how those topics relate to your handbook. It includes sections on sexual harassment (lust), discipline policies (gluttony), wage and hour/benefits policies (greed), attendance policies (sloth), non-violence policy (wrath), non-discrimination policy (envy) and failing to audit your handbook or document receipt (pride).

Hugh Cain is a shareholder attorney at Hopkins & Huebner, P.C. A graduate of the University of Washington School of Law, he has practiced in Iowa's state and federal courts for over 35 years.

Brent Hinders has been practicing law in Iowa for over a decade. A graduate of Simpson College and Drake University Law School, Brent now practices in the areas of labor, employment, criminal, municipal and government law.

Eric Updegraff has practiced law in Iowa for 15 years. A graduate of Simpson College and the University of Iowa College of Law, Eric primarily practices in employment law, human resources, workers' compensation, municipal and government law.

August 29, 2020

Forest Therapy Walk

Grant Park

2439 Fenton St

Swan, IA 50252

Begins at 5:30 p.m.

When: August 29 5:30 p.m.

Where: Grant Park

Nature and Forest Therapy Guided Walk.

Unplug, slow down and experience mindfulness in nature during the gentle three-hour walk. Use your senses to explore Grant Park with Certified Guides with the Association of Nature and Forest Therapy Association. The walk is based on Shinrin yoku or forest therapy that can provide many people many positive health benefits such as lowered blood pressure, decreased anxiety, increased focus, relaxation and a connection with nature.

See details, suggested bring-alongs, and register at www.warrenccb.org/events

September 2, 2020

Grow Solar Warren County - Free Virtual Solar Power Hour with MREA 9/2

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September 10, 2020

Warren County Health and Safety Fair - Canceled

Indianola YMCA

306 E Scenic Valley Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

04:00 PM - 07:00 PM CST

Shala or Jodene , (515)961-1074

Thursday June 11 4-7PM

This is a free event providing educational literature, activities, healthy snacks, demonstrations, and fun for people of all ages.

Location to be announced at a later date.

Have a health or safety service to share?

Contact Shala or Jodene at (515)961-1074 to participate.

September 12, 2020

- September 19, 2020

Prairie Picnic Online Auction - Donations Requested

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24/7 September 12 - 19

This year Friends of Warren County Conservation Board will hold the Prairie Picnic Auction online with Putney Auction.

To donate an item for the auction, visit this Website.

Auction items will be listed and available for bid September 12 - 29, 2020.

All proceeds will benefit the redesign of the exhibit hall space at Annett Nature Center.

You will need to set up a free online account at Putney Auction. So save the date and check out the Website and Facebook page for updates and a link to register to bid.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

September 13, 2020

Monarch Tagging

Indianola Chamber of Commerce

111 N. Buxton, Suite 117

Indianola, IA 50125

1 p.m.

When: September 13 1 p.m.

Where: Annett Nature Center

Register by September 11 at www.warrencb.org/events

When: September 19 1 p.m.

Where: Buxton Park

Register by September 17 at www.warrencb.org/events

Discover more about Monarch Butterflies, their unusual lifestyle and life cycle, and their miraculous migration to Mexico.

A Warren County Naturalist will teach you to catch, determine gender, and tag the butterflies as part of a natural research program.

September 19, 2020

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TruBank

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Indianola, IA 50125

04:00 PM - 07:00 PM CST

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When: July 25, August 15, September 19

4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

No Rain Dates

Where: TruBank Parking Lot, 1401 N Jefferson (Across from Walmart), Indianola

*Kid's Pick * Wife's Pick * Door Prizes * 50/50 Drawing * No Entry Fee*

September 23, 2020

Ackworth Garden Club Monthly Meeting

Scotch Ridge Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

13015 Scotch Ridge Rd

Carlisle, IA 50047

11:00 AM - 02:00 PM CST

Heidi Folkestad, 515-229-1074

ackworthgardenclub@gmail.com

Business meeting begins at 11:00 AM with gardening Q&A and a cooperative lunch at Noon. Program follows lunch at 1:00 PM. Program is Soil Quality Restoration (SQR) presented by Tony Toigo with IDALS.

September 23, 2020

Top Five For Small Business: Me to We - Activating Business Growth Through Unintentional

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Indianola, IA 50125

12 PM

This Top Five series will feature experts in human resources, marketing, accounting, IT and others. They will introduce five things on certain topics that will help you be successful in your small business.

Regardless if your business is a solo venture or a company employing hundreds of people, including partnerships as part of your business growth strategy is absolutely essential. But when it comes to pursuing business growth through strategic “partnerships”, it is often focused on the mechanics of combining existing offerings and building the actual structure of the partnership. In this highly interactive session, Carlos and Jeff flip the script on how to approach partnership opportunities and walk you through the five steps that evaluates a partnership’s ability to repeatedly create new strategic growth opportunities through a creative-collaboration process.

Carlos Rojas is a design and innovation enabler whose passion for understanding customers has helped organizations shape the conditions that make them more adaptive, creative and prolific when solving modern business challenges. A builder at his core and now an entrepreneur and founder of Blue Bean, Carlos is known for his expertise in re-imagining all aspects of an organization and for effectively setting a clear and compelling enterprise strategy that creates new value propositions as well as expands current offerings reach and profit revenues.

As a professional problem solver, Jeff Reed takes on diverse and complex organizational challenges and pairs them with creativity, optimism and strategy to produce long term business solutions.

He is a leader in simplifying processes and enhancing company culture to increase bottom line profits through; establishing internal on-boarding and training strategies; reducing external expenses and inefficiencies, understanding target markets and capitalizing on opportunities; producing operational strategies to deploy company-wide; and having cross-functional training in business development, finances and project management.

September 26, 2020

Log Cabin Days - CANCELLED

Warren County Fairgrounds

1400 W 2nd Ave.

Indianola, IA 50125

11:00 AM - 01:00 PM CST

Heidi Folkestad, 515-229-1074

ackworthgardenclub@gmail.com

Do you think you can grow the biggest pumpkin or giant sunflower in the county? Find out by registering for this fun gardening contest.

Pick up free pumpkin and sunflower seeds and registration forms at:

Indianola Parks & Rec plant sale on April 24 and 25.

Ackworth Garden Club Youth Container Gardening Class on TBD held at Warren County ISU Extension & Outreach office.

Ackworth Garden Club Plant Sale on Saturday, May 16th held at Moats Park.

Indianola Parks & Rec office after TBD.

Judging for the contest will be held at the Warren County Log Cabin Days festival on Saturday, September 26th with check in from 11:00 AM - Noon. Judging will be completed and winners announced after check in is closed but not later than 1:00 PM.. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded.

September 26, 2020

Ackworth Garden Club Big Pumpkin/Giant Sunflower Contest

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Judging at Log Cabin Days

Ackworth Garden Club Big Pumpkin/Giant Sunflower Contest is Saturday, September 26, 2020 and is open to all children K - 12 who reside in Warren County. Did you grow the biggest pumpkin or giant sunflower in the county over the summer?

If you completed the online registration form by June 30, 2020, dropped off your completed form at McCoy True Value Hardware, and picked up your seed packets then find out by weighing and measuring your entry.

Judging for the contest will be held at the Warren County Log Cabin Days festival at Warren County Fairgrounds, 1400 W. 2nd Ave., Indianola, with check-in from 11:15 a.m. - Noon.

Judging will be completed and winners announced after check-in closes but no later than 12:30 PM. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded.

September 26, 2020

Log Cabin Days Parade - Save the Date!

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10 a.m.

October 28, 2020

Ackworth Garden Club Monthly Meeting
Scotch Ridge Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall
13015 Scotch Ridge Rd
Carlisle, IA 50047

11:00 AM - 02:00 PM CST

Heidi Folkestad, 515-229-1074

ackworthgardenclub@gmail.com

Business meeting begins at 11:00 AM with gardening Q&A and a cooperative lunch at Noon. Program follows lunch at 1:00 PM. Program is Pruning presented by Joe Jenkins, Jenkins Garden Market.

October 28, 2020

Top Five For Small Business: Craft Your Elevator Pitch
Indianola Chamber of Commerce
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Indianola, IA 50125

12 PM

This Top Five series will feature experts in human resources, marketing, accounting, IT and others. They will introduce five things on certain topics that will help you be successful in your small business.

Many business owners struggle to articulate themselves confidently and concisely — leaving the listener unsure what exactly they do. And likely, missing out on sales. The truth is, up to 80 percent of sales is storytelling, and a well-crafted elevator pitch can open the door to a valuable connection, partnership or referral. "Storytelling for Business: Crafting Your Elevator Pitch" will lead attendees through five questions every owner should be able to answer about their business, plus a practical, step-by-step approach to craft an elevator pitch they can start using today. Participants will walk away feeling confident in how to answer the question, "So, what do you do?" Plus, they'll be equipped to use networking to open the door to sales.

Mackenzie Ryan is a speaker, leader and chief storytelling officer at M Ryan Media, a marketing and public relations company dedicated to lifting up and sharing stories of businesses, nonprofits and personal brands to drive results. A former Des Moines Register journalist, Mackenzie has worked in five states, won a national journalism award, co-founded the Des Moines Storytellers Project and produced a TV documentary that went to 3 million households. Mackenzie lives in West Des Moines, enjoys hanging out with her fiancé, Andy, her two future stepsons and their dogs, Maddie and Jax. She's an active member of Lutheran Church of Hope and is passionate about storytelling as a way to build connection and community, including running the e-magazine, Faith Stories Weekly, sign up online at faithstorytellers.com.

July 28, 2021

- August 2, 2021

Warren County Fair -- Returns in 2021
Indianola Chamber of Commerce
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Indianola, IA 50125

Events Throughout the Day

Unfortunately, it is with heavy hearts -broken actually- that the Warren County Fair Board has voted unanimously to postpone the 2020 Warren County to July 28-August 2, 2021. While we were hopeful that we could proceed with our planning for this year, the decision to postpone was based on the safety and health of our community with the knowledge and information available today.