

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Check for articles in the newsletter for more details on events.)

- July 30 35th Annual Cannon Falls Area Country Cruise, 5 pm Line-Up at Artisan Plaza, 1223 – 4th St S
July 31 5K Run/Walk for Life and Silent Auction, 5K at 8 am, Kids Fun Run at 9 am, Bay Point Park, Red Wing
August 12 **Open-Air Fair**, 3 pm – 7 pm, 4th and Mill St Downtown Cannon Falls
August 13-15 From the Heart Gifts – Last Chance Vacation, 11 am – 6 pm Fri & Sat, 11 am – 4 pm Sun, 100 S 4th St
(Weichert Realty)
August 18 **Chamber Dine and Dash Networking Meeting**, 11:30 am, Riverside Park, Hwy 20 N
August 20 Mural Coming to Downtown Cannon Falls, 6 pm – 7 pm, Intersection of Main St & 4th St (south side of old barber shop)

NEWS AND INFORMATION**CHAMBER ADVERTISED IN USA TODAY**

Check out the Chamber's ad (page 109) in the USA TODAY Go Escape Summer magazine. Check out the complete [digital version](#) of the publication.

STUFF THE BUS SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

It's that time of year to Stuff the Bus for United Way's 2021 School Supply Drive. When students have their own school supplies, not only do their grades and classroom behavior improve, but they also become more excited about school and learning. YOU can help ensure ALL kids have the best possible start to their school year! Cannon Falls drop-off locations include Community Resource Bank and Merchants Bank. You can also shop the online registry at www.amazon.com/registries/custom/380U8YB1MH2FY/guest-view <<http://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/380U8YB1MH2FY/guest-view>> . For more information, please visit www.uw-gwp.org <<http://www.uw-gwp.org>> . Together, we can give our local students the tools they need to learn and grow!

COVID VACCINE POLICY CHANGE OUTREACH

Mayo Clinic thanks the high percentage of our staff who have already chosen to vaccinate. But we are also increasingly concerned about the emergence of the COVID-19 delta variant. **That is why, to ensure the safety of our patients and colleagues, Mayo Clinic is requiring all staff to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 or to complete a vaccine declination process by September 17.**

This process, similar to that used for flu shots, permits individuals with medical needs or religious beliefs that prohibit vaccination to opt out. Those without a medical or religious exemption who object to vaccination may still decline provided they submit a form, complete related education modules, and abide by PPE protocols, including masking, to protect patient safety.

Mayo Clinic joins [several health systems across the country in taking this step](#). Increased vaccination will reduce COVID-19's transmission and prevent unnecessary deaths, particularly in under vaccinated communities.

Some key points:

- All Mayo Clinic staff, regardless of work location — on-site or off-site, or a combination of both — are included in this program.
- Staff who decline to be vaccinated for COVID-19 will be required to complete education modules and a declination form.
- The required participation program requires those who complete the declination process for COVID-19 vaccination to mask and social distance at all times on campus, including in areas where masking restrictions have been lifted.
Vaccine Requirement: <https://newsnetwork.mayoclinic.org/discussion/mayo-clinic-announces-next-phase-of-vaccination-requirements-for-covid-19/>

Additional information on the delta variant: <https://newsnetwork.mayoclinic.org/discussion/covid-19-vaccine-urgency-as-delta-variant-continues-to-spread/>

2021 CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS – 181

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

35TH ANNUAL CANNON FALLS AREA COUNTRY CRUISE

Friday, **July 30th**, 5 pm Line-Up at Artisan Plaza, 1223 – 4th St S

Don't miss the Cannon Cruisers Car & Truck Club's 35th Annual Scenic Cannon Falls Area Country Cruise on Friday, **July 30th**. The Line-up starts at Artisan Plaza at 5 pm, and the 25-mile Cruise will begin at 7 pm. There is a \$10 per car fee and everyone is asked to bring a canned good for the Cannon Falls Food Shelf.

This Cruise will be returning to Artisan Plaza at 8 pm. Food and beverages will be available for purchase, and the 50's and 60's Music will be playing from 8 pm to 10 pm. For more information, contact Dennis Sjoquist at 507-263-2775.

37+ VENDORS AND COUNTING!

Need an idea for some fun? How about catching something to eat while you shop around Downtown Cannon Falls?

The Chamber's next Open-Air Fair is set for Thursday, **August 12th**, from 3 pm – 7 pm, in Downtown Cannon Falls. Come and catch a snack or a meal. Maui Wowi Smoothies will be here too.

- Free Hot Dogs from Ed and Mary Lorentz
- Don's Crumble Beef Sandwiches
- Dudley's Pizza
- Rancho Loco
- Stevie's Rock'n BBQ's Ribs or Pulled Pork Sandwiches

Products or services include the following. More vendors are calling in everyday!

All-Natural Cleaning Supplies	Hats, Blankets & Ponchos
Antiques	Healthcare and Education Services
Auto Sales & Shed Sales	Home Décor
Baked Goods	Jewelry and Handbags
Books	Library Events, Activities and Services
Business Solutions	Pottery
Canned Goods & Veg.	Printing Services
Church coming to Cannon Falls	Recruiting for Scouts
Dance Lessons	Sportswear
Employment Opportunities	Travel Mugs
Fish and Aquariums	Utility Shed
Glass Etching	Women's Clothing
Habitat for Humanity Project	Wood Lasering <i>plus much more...</i>

GET INVOLVED IN CHAMBER EVENTS

It is volunteers that make the Chamber events successful. Every event needs multiple volunteers, so if you are interested in getting involved, contact the Chamber by calling 507-263-2289 to find out about event volunteer times. Volunteers are needed for Planning Committees and to coordinate each event.

Open-Air Fair – Thursday, August 12th from 3 pm – 7 pm

Crazy Days Sale (possibility) – Friday, September 17th, and Saturday, September 18th

Halloween Trick or Treat Trot – Friday, October 29th from 3 pm – 5 pm

Deck the Falls – Saturday, November 27th

Light-Up Cannon Falls – the month of December 2021

THE ARK ENCOUNTER & CREATION MUSEUM

This trip is open to all ages! Cannon Valley Senior Center presents a 6 days, 5 nights Bus Tour to Kentucky and the Cincinnati area to take in the inside of the Ark Encounter, the amazing Creation Museum, and the Newport Aquarium. For more pictures, videos and information visit www.GroupTrips.com/CannonValleySeniorCenter

This tour is happening from Monday, **October 4th**, through Saturday, **October 9th**. The bus will be departing from the Park & Ride at 705 W Main St in Cannon Falls. The cost for this trip is \$665 which includes the bus trip, 5 nights

lodging, 8 meals (5 breakfasts and 3 dinners), and admission to all 3 special events. For more information, or to make a reservation, contact Lora Bremer at 507-263-2136 or lora.bremer@cannonvalleyseniorcenter.org

INTERESTED IN HAVING CRAZY DAYS?

The Fall Community-wide Garage Sale is coming up on Friday, **September 17th**, and Saturday, **September 18th**. Are there any Chamber Members who would be interested in having a Crazy Days Sale at your business location during these dates? You can be anywhere in the Cannon Falls area to be a part of this event.

Here is your chance to get involved to make something old come back to life for our Chamber Members. Please contact the Chamber at 507-263-2289 or tourism@cannonfalls.org

**I L  VE
CANNON
FALLS!**

I LOVE CANNON FALLS MUGS AND T-SHIRTS

I Love Cannon Falls Mugs and T-Shirts are available at the Chamber Office. The mugs are \$10 each, the Red T-Shirts are \$15 each and the Black T-Shirts are \$17 each. Buy a mug or T-Shirt and get a FREE I Love Cannon Falls Window Cling.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

GRANDSTAY HOTEL AND SUITES CANNON FALLS

Seeking Front Desk Associates (PT), Housekeeping Staff, and Maintenance Person (PT)

All of these positions have flexible schedules, and our employees get discounts at other GrandStay Hotels. Inquire at the hotel or call 507-757-1100 and ask for Pam or Mike.

TILION BREWING COMPANY

Like craft beer? Tilion Brewing Company is looking for a few good beertenders! We offer competitive pay, free uniforms and many other perks. Two to four shifts per week, makes for a fun part time job. Email us at info@tilionbrewing.com <<mailto:info@tilionbrewing.com>> or stop by the brewery for an application.

MEMBER-TO-MEMBER NEWS –

If you have an event, activity or announcement you want shared with all of the Chamber Members, please send your information to the Chamber Office at tourism@cannonfalls.org by Thursday of each week.

FIRST CHOICE CLINIC TO HOST 15TH ANNUAL 5K RUN/ WALK

First Choice Clinic will hold a community-wide 5K Run/Walk and Kids Fun Run on Saturday, **July 31st**, at Bay Point Park in Red Wing, MN. The event will help raise awareness of the FREE and CONFIDENTIAL services offered to the community by First Choice Clinic in Red Wing and Cannon Falls. Additionally, funds will be raised to help support First Choice Clinic and its mission of educating and empowering the community to making healthy life-affirming choices.

This family-friendly event opens at 7:30 AM for registration check in and the Silent Auction. The adult run is at 8 AM. The Kid's Fun Run starts at 9 AM. Other free entertainment includes a bouncy house, face painting and temporary tattoos for the kids, music, and refreshments. All children's activities are FREE.

“This is our 15th year anniversary. The 5K event is a great opportunity for the community to learn more about the services First Choice Clinic offers and the positive impact we are having in Red Wing, Cannon Falls and area communities,” said Rose Korabek, executive director for First Choice Clinic.

A special thank you to this year's event sponsors: Calvary Chapel Red Wing, Custom Cut Tree Service, Ellen D Photography, Ethos, First Covenant Church, Lange Spray Foam, Red Wing Grain, Rose of Sharon Essential Oils, Sievers Creative, Star Tech Computing, and Tootsie Too's.

To register for this event, visit our website: <https://firstchoiceclinic.org/events/> or text WALK4LIFE to 651-615-4114. Rain or shine. Sorry, no refunds.

DUNGEON'S & DRAGONS (D&D)

Friday, **July 31st** and **August 14th** - 2 pm at CannonBelles Coffee & Ice Cream

A full game could run as late as 6 pm, but you can feel free to leave when you need to. Come to CannonBelles for an introductory game of Dungeon's & Dragons! The D&D Essentials Kit is available to check at the Cannon Falls Library.
<https://cannonfalls.lib.mn.us>

VOICES OF THE VALLEY

Programs take place on Saturdays from 11 am – 2 pm at Cannon Valley Trail Welch Station Access, at 26674 – 144th Ave Way, Welch, MN. This location can be accessed by driving if you'd like to enjoy the events but aren't able to bike there. Feel free to bring lawn chairs and come to listen to the music. RW Naturalists will be at WSA with activity sheets, maps, information and more. Check us out at: <https://cannonvalleytrail.com/> [Find us on Facebook!](#) [Find us on Instagram!](#)

July 31st – Kressin Hartl

August 7th – Carolyn Priore

BETHEL ROCK CHURCH NEW TO CANNON FALLS

Sunday, **August 1st**, 6 pm

Join us for our Vision Night and mini service! We are meeting at a member's home in Cannon Falls. There will be worship and refreshments. Anyone who would like to come is welcome. For location call Pastor Darron: 612-236-6323 or email us at cannonfalls@bethelsrock.org

CIRCUS IN DENNISON

Thursday, **August 5th**, 5 pm and 7:30 pm Shows, across from the Dennison Community Church Culpepper & Merriweather under the Big Top. Get your advanced tickets at the Dennison Depot, Heritage Bank, Fireside Lounge or Parkside Gas & Groceries. Advanced Tickets are available prior to show day. Tent raising at 9:30 am.

Advanced Tickets are Adults - \$12 and Children/Seniors - \$7 (ages 2-12 and 65+). Tickets at the event are Adults - \$15 and Children/Seniors - \$8 (ages 2-12 and 65+).

SUE'S GARAGE SALES 5TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND SALE

Thursday, **August 5th**, Friday, **August 6th** and Saturday, **August 7th**

Come and join us in celebrating our 5th year in business. We will have Door Prizes; Drawings; Games like Spin to Win and Guess the Washers; a demonstration on Panning for Gold will be Friday. Cupcakes will be served all weekend and everything in the store will be 50% off.

DENNISON DAYS

Friday, **August 6th**

Kick-Off Street Dance with The Ya Ya Boys at 8 pm

Saturday, **August 7th**

7 am – BBQ Cook-Off

8 am – 11 am – Dad's All You Can Eat Waffle Breakfast

8 am – Classic Car Show and Truck and Tractor Pull at 9 am

1:30 pm Parade – Contact Diane Ruddle at 612-532-0268 if you would like to be in the parade.

7 pm – Live music from “Drive Fire” on Main Street Stage

For a listing of all the events and activities, go to <https://www.dennisondays.org/>

LAST CHANCE VACATION

Friday, **August 13th**, and Saturday, **August 14th**, 11 am – 6 pm and Sunday, **August 15th**, 11 am – 4 pm

From the Heart Gifts, 100 S 4th St (Weichert Realty Office)

This shop is a once-a-month pop-up shop that specializes in crafts, refurbished items, collectibles and so much more!

KNIT NIGHT AT THE FARM

Friday, **August 13th**, 5 pm – 10 pm

Friday, **September 17th**, 5 pm – 10 pm

Friday, **October 22nd**, 5 pm – 10 pm

Friday, **November 12th**, 5 pm – 10 pm

Harvest Hill Acres, 7477 - 400th St, Dennison, MN 55018

Bring your knitting or other handcraft for fund night of craft talk, help with a project or just to get out of the house. Weather permitting, we can visit the sheep and other animals. Event will take place in the comfort of the “on the farm” yarn store. Snacks provided – Bring a beverage of choice.
Call or email with questions or RSVP: 713-244-4184 cell or HarvestHillAcres@aol.com

RIVERWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH’S FAMILY POOL AND PIZZA PARTY

Sunday, **August 15th**, from 4 pm – 6 pm

Cannon Falls Community Pool

People of all ages are invited to join together for food, fellowship, and fun at the Cannon Falls Community Pool. This is a fantastic outreach opportunity for your friends and neighbors! More details to come. [Sign Up Here](#)

WEEDS: FRIENDS OR FOES?

Tuesday, **August 17th**, 7 pm, Cannon Falls Library, 306 Mill St W

LuAnn Raadt of Cannon Valley Herbals will guide us along the Little Cannon River to search for edible and medicinal plants that grow in the wild. For more information go to <https://cannonfalls.lib.mn.us/>

FUN NIGHTS – GOD’S LOVE GROWS

Wednesday, **August 18th**, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

First English Lutheran Church, 511 W Belle St

For children and a caring adult, ages 2-grade 5

We will explore how God’s love grows with chalk, bubbles, games, ice cream, and more. This event will be held outdoors or indoors, Friends are welcome!

For more information, contact Kristine Hertsgaard Kincaid, Youth and Family Ministry at First English Lutheran Church. 507-263-3042, 507-330-1824 or felcyKris@gmail.com

LIBRARY PRESENTS CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Bandshell at John Burch Park

Friday, **August 27th** at 1 pm – The Everett Smithson Band

More concerts are being scheduled in August. Check the concert schedule out at <https://cannonfalls.lib.mn.us/> and see these fun activities at <https://fb.watch/6qOMXdMTNu/>. Seeing these concerts will make you feel young at heart.

CAR SHOW & BURN OUTS FUNDRAISER

Saturday, **August 28th**, at 10 am

Saturday, **September 25th**, at 10 am

Nate’s Garage, 1471 – 310th St Way, Cannon Falls

Car Show starts at 10 am and Burn Out Contest is at 1:30 pm. RBar is catering this event and drinks will be available.

Ncommunitygarage20@gmail.com or 507-263-2783 or on FaceBook

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES THE FIRST WEEKEND IN OCTOBER

If you are having an event happening between Friday, October 1st – Sunday, October 3rd, please share your information with the Chamber for even more promotion of our community-wide happenings.

HARVEST FIBER FESTIVAL

Saturday, **October 2nd**, 9 am – 5 pm and Sunday, **October 3rd**, 9 am – 3 pm

Harvest Hill Acres, 7477 – 400th St, Dennison, MN

There will be vendors from all over the Midwest! Various fiber demonstrations will happen throughout the weekend. For more information call 713-244-4184 or email harvesthillacres@aol.com or go to <https://harvesthillacres.com/>

2021 CHAMBER SPONSORSHIPS (as of 07302021)

2021 CHAMBER DIAMOND SPONSOR



2021 CHAMBER GOLD SPONSORS



FLOWER BASKET SPONSORSHIPS FROM COMMUNITY

Annette and John Bing – *In Memory of Dona Mae Kimball*
Babe & Jim Nelson – *In Memory of Mary Ketchum*
Barb Kamholz - *Jack*
Beverly Lundell
Bill and Nancy Althoff
Carrie Johnson and Ryan Josephs – *In honor and loving memory of Patty Anderson*
Cliff and Karen Adel
Denell Johnson – *In Memory of Dylan Johnson*
Gary and Ann Thacher
Gwen Rose – *In Memory of David Delzer and Theresa Rose*
Jim Bassett – *In Memory of Mary Bassett*
John Anderson – *In Memory of Dawn Dettling*
John Lindahl – *Gemini Employee Contribution*
Karen Carnel/Estate of Irene Carnel – *In Memory of Irene and Tom Carnel*
Karen Slininger
Larry and Kay Dammer
Liz O’Gorman – *In Memory of Bob, Laurie and Dan O’Gorman*
Louise Bowman
Marcella Knoblauch – *In Memory of Wilmer*
Mrs. Evelyn L Strack
Richard Miller – *In Memory of My Wife*
Rod Nelson – *In Memory of Mary Nelson and Pat Anderson*
Sue’s Garage Sales – *Gifts from Community at the Shop*

\$100 SPONSORSHIP LEVEL – Children’s Easter Cruise, Flower Baskets, Halloween Trick or Treat Trot & Open-Air Fair

Bayer Crop Science
Courtesy Corporation - McDonalds
Cycle America
Dakota Electric Association
Family Salon
First Farmers & Merchants Bank
Mayo Clinic Health System
Merchants Bank
Peterson Turkey Hatchery – *In Memory of Pat Anderson*
Northside Storage
Sustane Natural Fertilizer

\$250 SPONSORSHIP LEVEL –

Golf Tournament Hole Sign & Deck the Falls Fireworks

Cycle America
Dakota Electric Association
First Farmers & Merchants Bank
Minnesota Energy Resources
Northside Storage
The Terrace of Cannon Falls
VASA Spring Garden Mutual
Xcel Energy

\$400 SPONSORSHIP LEVEL –

Golf Tournament Meal

Dakota Electric Association
Henkel
Lindell Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc.

\$500 SPONSORSHIP LEVEL –

Golf Tournament Team & Light Up Cannon Falls

Banks Outdoors/Hancock Concrete
Cannon Auto Repair
Cannon Falls Beacon owned by O’Rourke Media Group
Community Resource Bank
First Farmers & Merchants Bank
HBC, Inc.
Highview Woodworking, LLC
Interstate Building Supply
Luvy’s Barn Art
Mayo Clinic Health System
Merchants Bank
Merrimutts Inn
Nelson Insurance
ReMax Cannon Realty
Sustane Natural Fertilizer
Xcel Energy/Goodhue County Commissioners