

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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

- August 20 Youth Mural Arts Project Dedication, 6 pm – 7 pm, Intersection of Main St & 4<sup>th</sup> St (south side of old barber shop)
- August 21 InTandem, 11 am – 2 pm, Welch Station Access of Cannon Valley Trail
- August 22 Flipside performing at John Burch Park Band Shell, 7 pm – 8 pm
- August 28 Car Show and Burn Outs Fundraiser, 10 am, Nate’s Garage, 1471 – 310<sup>th</sup> St Way, Randolph
- September 17-18 Cannon Falls City-Wide Garage Sales, Registration info in Cannon Falls Beacon on August 19<sup>th</sup>
- September 17-19 Back to School Sale, From the Heart Gifts, 100 S 4<sup>th</sup> St, Cannon Falls
- November 11 SAVE the DATE – Business After Hours, 5 pm – 7 pm, Merchants Bank, 300 W Main St
- July 2022 The Wine and Art Festival is coming back! Stay tuned for more details.

**EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

**CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALES ARE COMING**

The Cannon Falls Beacon will be announcing its 2021 Fall City-Wide Garage Sales in the **August 19<sup>th</sup>** edition of the Beacon. The dates are Friday, **September 17<sup>th</sup>**, and Saturday **September 18<sup>th</sup>**, with times varying with each sale. Be sure to sign up early to get your sale listed in the Beacon and on the City-Wide Garage Sale Map.

**ELMER’S TOYS & AUTO MUSEUM DAY TRIP**

Wednesday, **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, Bus Departs at 9 am and Returns at 5:45 pm, Park and Ride Parking Lot, 705 W Main St This Day Trip is open to anyone who is interested in going to Elmer’s Toy & Auto Museum in Fountain City, WI. The cost is \$65 and that includes lunch at the North End Pub & Grille in Cochrane, WI plus stops at Buena Vista Park & Nelson Cheese Factory in Pepin, WI.

**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 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](http://www.GroupTrips.com/CannonValleySeniorCenter)

This tour is happening from Monday, **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, through Saturday, **October 9<sup>th</sup>**. 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](mailto:lora.bremer@cannonvalleyseniorcenter.org)

**DECK THE FALLS PLANNING STARTS**

It maybe 90 degrees outside, but the Chamber’s Deck the Falls’ activities are just over 3 months away. It is not too early to get your float ideas planned! Activities to think about are Small Business Saturday, the Deck the Falls Parade, Lighting of the Christmas Tree, and of course, the fireworks. If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee, please contact the Chamber at 507-263-2289 or [tourism@cannonfalls.org](mailto:tourism@cannonfalls.org) If you have other ideas for this holiday event, please share your ideas too.

**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.

**NEWS AND INFORMATION**

**XCEL ENERGY IS NUMBER ONE IN CLEAN ENERGY**

**MINNEAPOLIS** (August 11, 2021) – Xcel Energy today announced that it is the largest clean energy provider in the country when it comes to wind, solar and battery storage, according to the American Clean Power Association (ACP). In its



recently published annual report, the ACP ranks investor-owned utilities, based on the amount of clean power on their systems at the end of 2020, and Xcel Energy came out on top.

“The nation has seen tremendous growth on the wind and solar front, and we’re proud to be leading the charge in providing our customers with clean energy,” said Ben Fowke, CEO and chairman of Xcel Energy. “This is a time of significant change for our company and industry as we embrace renewables and other technologies that provide value to our customers, communities and the environment.”

Xcel Energy is the first major U.S. power provider to announce a vision of delivering 100% carbon-free electricity to its customers by 2050, and it’s more than halfway there. The company has also proposed plans to retire most of its coal generation ahead of schedule, which will help reduce carbon emissions 80% by 2030, one of the most aggressive interim targets in the industry, consistent with the Paris Agreement targets.

At the end of 2020, Xcel Energy had 11,205 megawatts of wind and solar on the system, edging out its peers by 43 megawatts, according to the report.

In 2021, the company surpassed 10,000 megawatts of wind on its system, after wrapping up the largest multi-state wind expansion in the country. By the end of this year, Dakota Range, a large wind farm in South Dakota, is expected to come online.

In addition to reducing carbon emissions 80% by 2030, Xcel Energy expects to serve customers company-wide with electricity that is nearly 80% carbon free, including approximately 65% renewable sources, by the end of the decade.

### **U.S. SENATOR TINA SMITH SAYS SENATE PASSAGE OF HISTORIC, BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE WILL DELIVER BILLIONS IN UPGRADES TO MINNESOTA**

*Senator Says \$1 Trillion Measure Brings Long-Overdue Investments in Nation’s Roads, Bridges, Broadband, Water Pipes, Other Needed Upgrades to Public Works.*

WASHINGTON, D.C. [08/10/21]—U.S. Senator Tina Smith (D-Minn.) said Senate passage today of a historic, bipartisan \$1 trillion infrastructure package will deliver billions of dollars in long-overdue investments to Minnesota’s roads, bridges, broadband, water pipes and other needed upgrades.

Sen. Smith said the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* was produced after months of difficult, bipartisan negotiations, resulting in a package that will jumpstart the economy and create jobs and economic development in rural, urban and suburban communities across the state.

“We’re no longer just talking about infrastructure, we’re actually delivering a once-in-a-generation package that will make life better for millions of Minnesotans, create a generation of good-paying jobs and economic growth, and position the United States to succeed in the 21st Century,” said Sen. Smith. “It’s going to improve the state’s competitiveness and it will mean that people living in rural, urban, suburban, and Tribal communities are going to be able to get where they need to go to more safely. And importantly, it’s going to bring at least \$100 million to our state for broadband, which is the infrastructure of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century and necessary to build an economy that works for everyone.”

Sen. Smith said the package will bring significant investments to communities across the state, including:

- \$4.5 billion for Minnesota highways;
- \$819 million for transit systems across the state;
- \$302 million for bridges, as well as competitive grant funding available for economically-significant bridges;
- At least \$100 million for broadband internet systems in communities across the state, and provide access to at least 83,000 residents currently without broadband access; and
- \$68 million for electric vehicle charging stations.

The legislation will now move to the House for action. If it passes the House, it will be sent to President Biden to be signed into law.

### **WELCOME 12 FAMILIES TO CANNON FALLS**

The month of July was very good for the City of Cannon Falls. 12 new families moved into our community. They include 12 children who are mostly school age. This month, the families came from Rochester, SW and SE Minnesota,

Wisconsin, and 8 from the Metro. It is our small-town charm and close distance to Rochester and the Metro that make moving to Cannon Falls so special. Please welcome our new residents.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**CANNON RIVERS SENIOR LIVING** Search and Apply at: <https://www.ebenzercare.org/careers>

**Resident Assistant** (home health aide, NA or DSP)- No CNA or NAR certification or specific experience required, unless under 18. We provide on the job training to support our staff working with our residents in duties such as passing medications, daily cares, and transfers/lifts, support with meals and activities.

Shift differentials for evening or nights. We have part-time evenings, nights, or days. Full-time days or evenings.

\* Currently 8/10/21, RA positions that are 40 hours in two weeks and above at Cannon Rivers are eligible for a Sign on Bonus between \$500-1000

**RN- Case Manager-** Nursing position responsible for care plans, assessment and documentation of resident health status, coordinates health services with providers, oversee medication/treatment administration and will monitor work performance of unlicensed staff. Acts as support to Director of Health Services. *Full time Days flexible scheduling, Every third weekend, Generous Benefits package.*

### 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](mailto:tourism@cannonfalls.org) by TUESDAY of each week.*

### FUN NIGHTS – GOD’S LOVE GROWS

Wednesday, **August 18<sup>th</sup>**, 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](mailto:felcyKris@gmail.com)

### YOUTH MURAL ARTS PROJECT DEDICATION

Friday, **August 20<sup>th</sup>**, 6 pm – 7 pm, Intersection of Hwy 19 and Hwy 20 at the stop lights

There is a new mural going up on the south side of the Chamber Building. The final design will be developed through the week of August 10 with High School and Middle School Students who have registered to participate in artist, Kelli Bickman's "Youth Mural Arts Project".

The Cannon Arts Board will be dedicating the new mural to the City of Cannon Falls. It is being created by artist, Kelli Bickman, and Cannon Falls Middle and High School students. Come and meet the artist and talk with the students to find out what part of the mural they worked on. All are welcome to attend!

### INTANDEM AND LOCAL WILDLIFE INFORMATION

Saturday, **August 21<sup>st</sup>**, from 11 am – 2 pm, Welch Station Access of Cannon Valley Trail (weather permitting)

On Saturday August 21st, The Red Wing Environmental Learning Center will provide information about local wildlife.

The local musical duo InTandem, with Brenda Owens of Cannon Falls and Lee Mensinger of Red Wing, will return to perform folk, blues, and roots standards on guitars, banjo, mandolin, and ukuleles. Check us out

at: <https://cannonvalleytrail.com/> [Find us on Facebook!](#) [Find us on Instagram!](#)

### “FLIPSIDE” PERFORMING AT BANDSHELL

Sunday, **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, from 7 pm – 8 pm in John Burch Park at the Bandshell. Bring your own lawn chair and then sit

back and relax. For more information, contact Lora Bremer at Cannon Valley Senior Center by calling 507-263-2136 or [lora@cannonvalleyseniorcenter.org](mailto:lora@cannonvalleyseniorcenter.org)

### LIBRARY PRESENTS CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Bandshell at John Burch Park

Friday, **August 27<sup>th</sup>** 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 28<sup>th</sup>**, at 10 am

Saturday, **September 25<sup>th</sup>**, at 10 am

Nate's Garage, 1471 – 310<sup>th</sup> St Way, Randolph

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](mailto:Ncommunitygarage20@gmail.com) or 507-263-2783 or on FaceBook

### **KNIT NIGHT AT THE FARM**

Friday, **September 17<sup>th</sup>**, 5 pm – 10 pm

Harvest Hill Acres, 7477 - 400<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:HarvestHillAcres@aol.com)

### **BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALE**

Friday, **September 17<sup>th</sup>**, from 11 am – 6 pm

Saturday, **September 18<sup>th</sup>**, from 11 am – 6 pm

Sunday, **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, 11 am – 4 pm

From the Heart Gifts will be holding their Back-to-School Sale the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in September. They will have beautiful crafts, refurbished items, collectibles, jewelry, hats and mittens, wall hangings and much more. If you are interested in being a vendor at this sale, contact Cheryl at [Cheryl.siebenaler@gmail.com](mailto:Cheryl.siebenaler@gmail.com)

### **EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE FIRST WEEKEND IN OCTOBER**

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

### **FERNDALE MARKET**

Saturday, **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, and Sunday, **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Ferndale Market, 31659 Willow Trail – Stay tuned for the details or go to <https://ferndalemarket.com/> or

<https://www.facebook.com/FerndaleMarket/>

### **HARVEST FIBER FESTIVAL**

Saturday, **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 9 am – 5 pm and Sunday, **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, 9 am – 3 pm

Harvest Hill Acres, 7477 – 400<sup>th</sup> St, Dennison, MN

For more information call 713-244-4184 or email [harvesthillacres@aol.com](mailto:harvesthillacres@aol.com) or go to <https://harvesthillacres.com/>

### **SOGN VALLEY ART FAIR**

Saturday, **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, and Sunday, **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Veterans Lane and VFW #4452 Parking Lot

Find more details about vendors and activities at <https://www.facebook.com/sognvalleyartfair/>

### **TILION BREWING COMPANY**

Saturday, **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, and Sunday, **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

432 Mill St W, <https://tilionbrewing.com/> or <https://www.facebook.com/tilionbrewing/>

### **TWIN CITIES HORSE SALE**

Saturday, **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, starts at 10 am

Simon Horse Company, 29100 Harry Ave, Randolph, MN <https://www.simonhorsecompany.com/>

**2021 CHAMBER SPONSORSHIPS** (as of 08182021)

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**FLOWER BASKET SPONSORSHIPS FROM COMMUNITY**

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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*  
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Larry and Kay Dammer  
Liz O’Gorman – *In Memory of Bob, Laurie and Dan O’Gorman*  
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Marcella Knoblauch – *In Memory of Wilmer*  
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Peterson Turkey Hatchery – *In Memory of Pat Anderson*  
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  
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Cycle America  
Dakota Electric Association  
Family Salon  
First Farmers & Merchants Bank  
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Northside Storage  
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**\$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