



NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2021



ATTENTION OOSTBURG VILLAGE RESIDENTS!

2021 Election – Oostburg Village Board Candidate Forum

In anticipation of the April 6, 2021 elections, the *Oostburg Chamber of Commerce* invites you to an online event to get to know your eight 2021 Village Board candidates vying for the 3 open Trustee positions and 1 open Village President position.

Multiple times available via Cable Channel 14 & Web streaming:

Cable Channel 14 (LIVE); and rebroadcasts at 6PM on Fri. 3/19, Sun. 3/28, and Fri. 4/2. LIVESTREAM on the Oostburg Chamber’s YouTube channel (go to Youtube.com and search for **Oostburg Chamber**. Click on the channel identified by the Chamber’s logo & a red ‘subscribe’ to the right side). A video recording of the event will also be posted on the Chamber’s YouTube channel within 24 hours after the live event.

In order to remain COVID-safe, while reaching as many community members as possible, we are unable to do this event in-person.



As a service to the community, the Board made the decision to organize a forum for the upcoming election. The purpose of the forum was to allow the candidates running for the four open Village Board positions, to be introduced and answer questions that will help the community be better informed when they go to vote in April. The individuals running are as follows: Village President (1) - Adam Dykstra and Jon Kuhlow. Village Board Trustee (3) - Steve Eggebeen, Philip Mentink, Mary Ellen Meyer, Scott Navis, Peter Schepmann, and Ben Wynveen.

Please join the OACOC by giving THANKS to Peg and Terry Lemkuil for their willingness to help organize and facilitate the forum, First Reformed Church Oostburg for the use of their building and equipment to broadcast/stream this event, and the wonderful staff and volunteers from FRC for donating their time to make it possible to share with the residents in our community. Also, thanks to the candidates for your willingness to share your thoughts and ideas so that people can be better informed when they go to vote on April 6. Everyone involved did an amazing job!



OACOC 11th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Board of Directors decided to hold the OACOC Annual Christmas Parade on November 28, 2020, and so glad that they did! It was just what many people in our area were in need of!

Now that Center Avenue was completely redone and there were new lights to line the street, we lengthened the parade route to allow for additional space so all could social distance safely. We started the parade at Veterans Park on 12th Street and turned East onto Center Avenue. The parade then headed East all the way to 6th Street, where it then turned North and disassembled in the Oostburg High School parking lot.

We want to thank Carlton Automotive and their employees for being willing to plan the Christmas Parade! Also special thanks to the Oostburg Fire Department who were willing to help with the logistics. Thank you to Oostburg Financial Services for providing individuals to judge the entries and also to the Oostburg State Bank for being willing to donate the prize money. There were three prizes given! First place received \$100, second place \$50, and third place \$25.

The winners of the Parade entries were:

1st Place - Oostburg Concrete Products

2nd Place - First Presbyterian Church

3rd Place - Oostburg Lumber Co

We are so grateful for the beautiful evening we were blessed with! It was a wonderful to see so many from our community and surrounding areas, line the streets. We are so thankful we were able to continue this tradition and were thrilled by the attendance and support that we received.

SAVE THE DATE: AUGUSTFEST 2021

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13TH
FROM 4:00—9:00 PM

Held at Veterans Park in Oostburg
Followed with Fireworks at the Oostburg High School



Annual Banquet will be held on May 26, 2021



The past year has been a little different than probably any other that we can remember. With all of the changes in life due to the pandemic, the Board of Directors have decided to hold our annual banquet outdoors this year. It will be wonderful to have members get together again and also serve as a kick off to share our summer activities that we have planned.

We look forward to seeing you at Veterans Park under the tent on Wednesday, May 26th. We will have a social time from 5:00—6:00 pm. Judi's will be catering our dinner which will include brats, burgers, chicken breasts and other sides. Food will be served immediately following the social hour. We will also have Chamber updates from our President, Ed Hurlbutt. Hope you can join us for this relaxed, casual style get together that we have planned, along with networking while catching up with one another!

Spouses and business associates are welcome to attend as well. Cost is \$12.50 per person.

Please email: oostburgchamber@gmail.com or call (920) 564-6500 to RSVP prior to May 19th!

Please send payment prior to the event to: OACOC, PO Box 700433, Oostburg, WI 53070



NEW LOOK — CHAMBER FLOWER POTS

Are you looking to add beauty in front of your business this summer without any hassle?

This offer is for OACOC members only! Yes, you qualify!

We are purchasing 40 commercial grade pots from Rathjen Greenhouses that will be filled with a combination of 12 plants in the colors of red, white and blue. The planter will be a square, tapered style, measuring 18" W x 22" H. The flowers will consist of geraniums, salvia, petunias, verbena and other varieties. Reid guarantees they will be beautiful!

Reid will deliver them the week of Memorial Day and pick them up on October 1st! Turn key planters—all you need to do this year is keep your flower pot watered!

Won't it be great for people to know you support the Chamber and are members by having similar flower pots in front of your business?

Contact Terri at: oostburgchamber@gmail.com today to place your order!

The cost to you will be \$90.00 per pot! The Chamber is covering the rest!



FYI

For various reasons the Oostburg Area Chamber of Commerce will not be sponsoring the hanging flower baskets in the downtown area of Oostburg this year. If you had supported that program in the past, this may be a great option for you or your business to purchase a flower pot provided by the Chamber, to help beautify your business' entry and also add beauty along the streets of your village. Order soon as there is a limited supply!



OOSTBURGER T-Shirts

We have just placed another order and have a large supply of t-shirts available and ready for purchase.

Kids sizes through Adult XXXL

\$13.00 each

Purchase directly from one of the following locations:

Oostburg Bakery
Voskuil Machine Co.

Contact Terri Mentink at (920) 564-6500
or oostburgchamber@gmail.com if you have any questions.