

The background image shows a busy outdoor market or festival. In the foreground, a large crowd of diverse people is walking. To the right, a colorful stall with a blue and green canopy displays a large stack of multi-colored stuffed animals. Above the stall, a banner features a cartoon character in a blue suit and goggles. In the background, there are more stalls, including one with a clownfish, and a sign for 'SUNSHINE STATE'. The overall atmosphere is bright and festive.

DeWitt Area **Community Resource Guide** **Fall-Winter 2023**

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The DeWitt Area Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit, volunteer organization comprised of dedicated business and community leaders who donate their time and resources to support quality of life initiatives within the DeWitt community. Creating a safe, energetic, and prosperous community showcasing a vibrant "Sense of Place" is a priority for the DeWitt Chamber Membership.



DeWitt . . . an energetic and prosperous community depicting a vibrant "Sense of Place".

The DeWitt Area Chamber of Commerce would like to express its sincere appreciation for your support and investment in the DeWitt Area. Whether a resident or business, we are grateful you chose to settle in our community.

First settled in 1833, DeWitt has experienced considerable changes and growth; however, when asking residents how they would define the qualities of the community the answers are pretty much as they were years ago: rural charm, safe neighborhoods, great parks, ample walking trails, a great quality of life, and a dynamic "Sense of Place".

The Spring/Summer edition of the Community Resource Guide focused on local parks and community activities which we hope you had an opportunity to explore. The Fall/Winter Edition is designed to focus on the number of events and activities available over the next few months with special focus on the area's largest and longest festival, the **77th Annual DeWitt Ox Roast**. We invite you to participate in the local events and activities being put forth this coming season.

Details pertaining to our organization, our members, and community events can be found throughout this publication, on our Facebook Page, and the Chamber's Website www.dewittareacc.org. Please feel free to visit the Chamber Office.



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Welcome to the 77th Annual DeWitt Ox Roast



Over the past 4 years I have had the privilege to chair the annual DeWitt Ox Roast, the largest and longest running festival in southern Clinton County. I could not have done this without the tremendous support and hard work put forth by the DeWitt Memorial Association's Board of

Directors, local businesses, volunteers, City of DeWitt's Public Service and Police Departments.

The Ox Roast is DeWitt's premier event and draws thousands of people over the 3-day weekend. This takes considerable planning, coordination, substantial funding, and a tremendous team of volunteers.

When planning this festival each year, we never accept what we did the previous year as good enough; we scrutinize the entire weekend; what went well, what didn't, how can we improve. We continually seek ways to improve the weekend's experience for everyone.

As you read through the next few pages you will learn more about the festival and the six people who are making it happen for your enjoyment. Each area of the Ox Roast has a specified Chair person who is critical to the success of the festival. These people will be onsite the entire weekend to oversee their area of responsibility and answer any questions you may have. Please remember, these people are volunteers donating their time and in many cases their money to support the festival which benefits the entire community.

The Ox Roast will open at 4 pm Friday, August 18th and will close at 4 pm Sunday, the 20th.

If you would like to volunteer, register for an event, or purchase Duck Tickets, please contact the Chamber Office at 517-624-2953 or 113 S Bridge Street, DeWitt.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you, your friends, and family at the Festival.

Loretta Spinrad

Chair, DeWitt Ox Roast



Shuttle Service

Parking at the Ox Roast can be challenging, therefore, we are excited to announce, Clinton Transit's "Blue Bus" will be providing Shuttle Service throughout the day on Saturday free of charge.

Park at Northpointe Community Church, located at 505 E Webb, and board the shuttle for downtown. The bus will drop you at the corner of Franklin and Jefferson near the Arts & Crafts Bazaar.

There will be a continuous service between the Arts & Crafts location to the Church during the following hours:
9:00— 9:45 am 11:30 am—7:00 pm

We hope you will take advantage of this service to help alleviate the parking challenges and provide a better experience for everyone.

We are grateful for Clinton Transit's contribution to the Ox Roast and hope you will remember how important the drivers are to the success of this service.

Pre-registration for Events and Duck Race Tickets Sales

Register for the Corn Hole Tournament or the Pet Parade and Beauty contest at the Chamber Office through Thursday, August 17 or online at <https://dewittoxroast.org>. All registrations after the 17th will have to be made at the Information Booth at the Ox Roast.

Duck Race and Pancake Breakfast tickets can also be purchased at the Chamber Office through Thursday, August 17. These tickets will be available Friday and Saturday at the Information Booth.

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Lisa Bozung - Arts & Crafts Bazaar



Welcome to the Arts & Crafts Bazaar, a perfect place to find that unique gift for a special friend, yard art to enhance your summer garden, or a piece of jewelry for a special occasion?

I am Lisa Bozung, Vice President of Administration at Consolidated Electrical Contractors, and I would like to personally invite you to visit this year's amazing Arts & Crafts Bazaar at the Ox Roast. There is truly something for everyone.

This is my 4th year overseeing the Arts and Crafts Bazaar and this year promises to offer another great shopping experience.

The Bazaar features artists from throughout the state who are excited to show off their hand crafted products. We have everything from fractal burned wood products to garden art; superhero caps to a variety of hand crafted purses. How about creative home décor or Beeswax candles? Of course what would a craft bazaar be without specialty items for our furry friends? This is just a sneak preview of what you can expect at this year's bazaar.

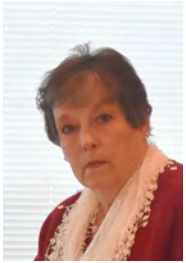
To ensure you have a great experience while touring the bazaar we do not have any commercial booths. Every vendor is vetted to make sure their items are truly hand crafted.

If you are an artist or crafter and would like to participate as a vendor please contact me at lbozung@conelectric.com

Lisa Bozung, Arts & Crafts Chair



Lisa Stow - Food, Beverage, and Volunteers



It wouldn't be a festival without fabulous food, cool drinks, and tons of fun!

I am Lisa Stow. My family and I own and operate the Banquet & Conference Center of DeWitt, a place catering to fun so I have a pretty good understanding and appreciation for the value of great food and beverage. I have recruited a variety of food vendors for this year's festival which I am sure will entice you to come back for more.

Let's start with The Smoke'N Pig BBQ offering Ribs, Pulled Pork, Chicken and Turkey with a side of Mac & Cheese or Sweet Potato Fries. Tacos Little Puebla is joining us this year with Tacos, Burritos and "corn on the cob" YUM! The Mystery Box returns with Snow Cones, Glaciers, Boston Coolers, and Root Beer Floats. You may want to start with dessert and move up to the entrée. We are happy to welcome back Jay's Dogs featuring American Cuisine, Concessions Grill with a Mediterranean flair, and Mama D's Fresh Squeezed Lemonade. One cannot have a party without Pizza. Hungry Howie's will be onsite to satisfy your pizza cravings and Family Tree Café will be serving the traditional Ox Burger. Be sure to return Sunday morning for the Pancake Breakfast from 9—11:00 am.

We have a fantastic lineup of food vendors offering a variety of options. However, there is more! Beer, wine, and seltzers will be available at the DeWitt Memorial Association's alcohol beverage booth. Which brings me to the subject of volunteers. We are actively recruiting for volunteers.

I would like to take this opportunity to say this festival could not be successful without the commitment of the entire DeWitt Memorial Association Board. Even though we each have our own areas of responsibility, we all work together and assist each other when needed.

Lisa Stow, Food, Beverage, and Volunteer Chair

In addition to food and beverages, I am responsible for securing the extensive team of volunteers needed to support this 3-day event. At first glance this may sound like a lot of work for volunteers; however, we have 3-hour shifts so there is plenty of time to volunteer and still have fun. If you would like to volunteer for this great event please contact me at info@bccdewitt.com





Jeremy Sinke - Information Central

Large events can be a little intimidating and frustrating at times. Not sure what to expect or where to go? We have you covered! My name is Jeremy Sinke and I am the Member Experience Manager at Lake Trust Credit Union. I am responsible to make sure you have the information needed to have a great time at this year's festival.



This is my fourth year volunteering at the Ox Roast and third year Chairing the Information Booth. The Information Booth is manned by friendly volunteers, many of whom are Lake Trust employees volunteering their time to make sure you have a great time and can find your way around the festival. The Information Booth is located in front of the DeWitt Chamber office located at 113 S Bridge St.

The information booth is the HUB of the festival. We have the knowledge and expertise to answer your questions and address concerns. Our volunteers will assist you throughout the weekend; providing directions to a wide array of activities including the food court, craft area, the "Blue Bus" stop, and the midway ticket booth.

In addition to questions and directions, you can register your furry friend for the Pet Parade and Beauty contest or sign up for the Corn Hole Tournament.

Ox Roast t-shirts, Duck Race and Pancake Breakfast tickets will be available for purchase at the Information Booth as well.

Stop by and say hello and let us know how we are doing!

Jeremy Sinke, Information Chair



Karen Burns - Hometown Parade



We can't have a festival without a parade, and we certainly have a grand one.

Hi, I am Karen Burns, Associate Broker with ReMax Real Estate Professionals DeWitt. I have been chairing the parade for a number of years and it never ceases to amaze me the creativity of the entries and the excitement on the faces of the young and young at heart as they watch the entries pass by. We have it all! Tractors, fire trucks, horses, music, large and small businesses, dancers, floats, and everything in between. It is truly a hometown parade boasting of community pride.

The parade begins at West Main and Manchester just west of downtown at 10 am. It then travels east to Logan Street, south to Washington, east to Franklin, north to Madison, then west to Wilson.

The streets are lined with thousands of people enjoying the parade entries and of course the hundreds of pounds of candy distributed to along the way.

My husband Bill and I also help out throughout the weekend from setup to teardown. We could certainly use your help.

If you would like to participate in the parade please register online at dewittoxroast.org or contact me directly at karen.burns56@gmail.com. If you would like to volunteer for any of the many Ox Roast activities please contact the Chamber Office at 517-624-2953 or email Lisa Stow at info@bccdewitt.com

Karen Burns, Parade Chair





Bill Arens - Riverside Park Events

The DeWitt Memorial Association hosts various events at Riverside Park as part of the annual Ox Roast. Events held at the park include long-time family favorites, such as the rubber duck race, which typically pits a couple hundred rubber ducks against each other in a race from the pedestrian bridge near City Hall downstream to the finish line at Riverside Park. Ducks are “purchased” through a raffle prior to the event, which rewards the top three finishers with a cash prize. The event attracts multiple spectators each year who cheer on the ducks as they make their way toward glory at the finish line. Some ducks finish quickly, while others take their time, enjoying the view along the river as they float downstream.



Hi, I am Bill Arens, an architect by trade and a rubber duck guru and pet beauty contest judge in my spare time.

I would like to invite you to all the events at Riverside Park including a petting zoo and a pet parade and beauty contest. The petting zoo includes pony rides for kids and various small animals kids can interact with. The pet parade, popular with local animal lovers, brings together many different friends, mostly of the canine variety, from fancy Poodles to docile Golden Retrievers to noble German Shepherds. Some pet owners choose to dress their pets in costumes for the event, while others display their pet’s athletic abilities. Pets compete against one another within various categories, such as “most obedient”, “smallest/largest” and “best costume”, with a grand prize winner selected as well. Top finishers in each category receive goody bags with treats/toys for their pet, though the main focus of the event is simply having fun.

In addition to the events noted above, a children’s tractor pull and a frog jumping contest (hosted by the City of DeWitt) also take place at Riverside Park over the Ox Roast weekend. Come visit us, you will have a great time for sure!

Bill Arens, Riverside Park Events Chair





Friday, opening night entertainment



Bernadette Kathryn and the Lonely Days Band

The Lonely Days Band embodies that Classic Nashville Sound infused with Motor City Rock and delivered by Bernadette's intense vocals that gives them an unprecedented mass appeal.

From the city that keeps America driving, **Bernadette Kathryn** is a fresh and exciting addition to Detroit's storied history of musical talent. While **Bernadette** is immersed in the world of contemporary young country, she draws on the Motor City's long tradition of great music, from Motown to rock & roll. In a cookie-cutter world of sound-alike singers, **Bernadette Kathryn** is truly **Detroit's Country Rebel**.

Saturday Showcases Premier Tribute Bands



Two great tribute bands take the stage Saturday night at the Ox Roast.

Allentown, Detroit's premier Billy Joel Tribute Band and **Lookin' Back**, Michigan's #1 Bob Seger Tribute Band will provide a great evening of entertainment for everyone! The high energy of the bands will surely entice you to take to the dance floor!

Sunday is a perfect day for the classics!



Life Support is simply Mid-Michigan's premier event band. **Life Support** has been a performing unit for over twenty years, with over 160 years of combined performing experience. The key members of the band consists of Nikki Fowler on lead vocals, Ricky Nalett on keyboards and vocals, Bob Giunta on guitar and vocals, and Donny Brown on drums and vocals. **Life Support** has the unique ability to perform anything from jazz standards, classic rock, to songs from recent artists.



Ox Roast Schedule of Events

Friday:

- 04:00 - 11:00 pm Maple Leaf Midway Carnival Rides
- 04:00 - 08:00 pm Arts & Crafts Bazaar
East Jefferson Street
- 04:00 - 11:00 pm Food & Beverage Court
- 07:00 - 11:00 pm Main Stage Entertainment:
Bernadette Kathryn & the Lonely
Days Band

Saturday:

- 10:00 am Parade
- 11:00 - 11:00 pm Maple Leaf Carnival
- 10:00 - 08:00 pm Arts & Crafts Bazaar
- 11:00 - 11:00 pm Food & Beverage Court
- 12:00 - 02:00 pm Frog Jumping Contest
Memorial Park
- 12:00 pm Corn Hole Tournament
Food & Beverage Court

Saturday Continued

- 01:00 - 04:00 pm Petting Zoo & Pony Rides
Riverside Park
- 07:00 - 11:00 pm Main Stage Entertainment
Allentown (Tribute to Billy Joel) &
Lookin' Back Band
(Tribute to Bob Seger)

Sunday

- 09:00 - 11:00 am Pancake Breakfast
Food & Beverage Court
- 12:00- 04:00 pm Food & Beverage Court
- 10:00 - 04:00 pm Arts & Crafts Bazaar
- 11:00 - 04:00 pm Maple Leaf Carnival
- 12:00 - 03:00 pm Main Stage Entertainment
Life Support Band
- 12:00 pm Duck Race—Riverside Park
- 12:30 pm Youth Tractor Pull—Riverside Park
- 01:30 pm Pet Parade & Beauty Contest
Riverside Park

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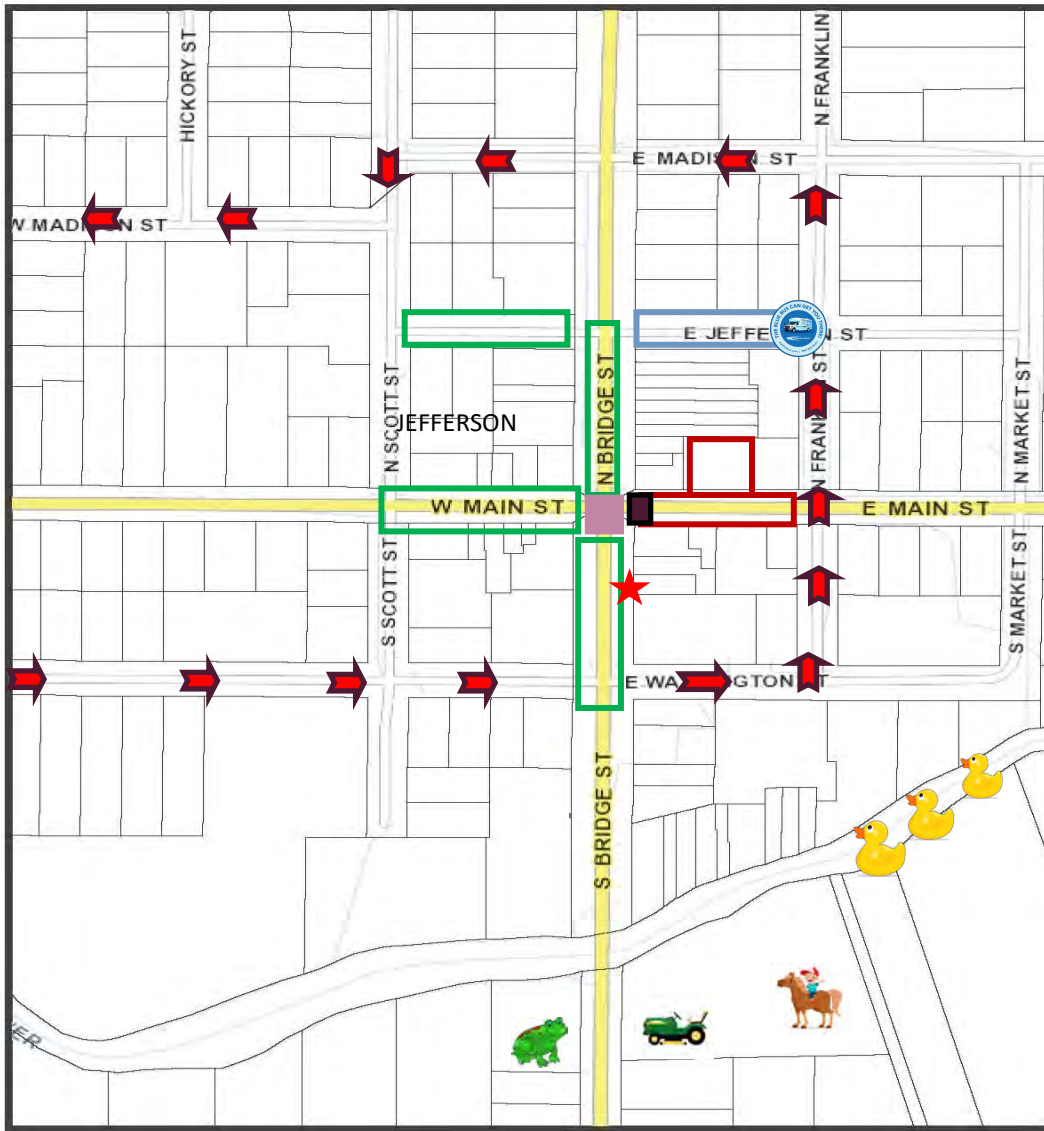
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77th Annual Ox Roast



Activities Map & Road Closures



Street & Parking Lot Closures:

Thursday 7 am—Monday Noon

All areas highlighted in Red and green. 100 block of North and South Bridge Street and 100 block East and West Main. 100 block W. Jefferson. No access to driveways or parking lots.

Friday 7 am through Sunday 6 pm

All areas highlighted in blue E. Jefferson and the parking lot at Franklin & Jefferson

Saturday 7 am - Sunday 6 pm

- Riverside Park will be closed for parking due to events
- Additional streets will be closed at 10 am for the parade
- These closures are for the safety of everyone.

- Carnival
- Food & Beverage
- Main Stage
- Arts & Crafts

- Parade Route
- Duck Race
- Blue Bus Shuttle Pickup
- Frog Jumping Contest
- Petting Zoo & Pony Rides
- Tractor Pull
- Corn Hole
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Have you seen Clinton Transit's iconic Blue Buses around town this summer? Known for their convenient and friendly transportation services, the agency is an important part of the local community's vibrancy, growth and economic development. Even if you haven't ridden the Blue Bus, you've probably seen them making an impact right where you live, work and play. The agency serves all Clinton County residents, and provided more than 63,000 rides last year—up 27% over pre-pandemic numbers! More than a ride, Clinton Transit is a lifeline for those with mobility challenges.

Clinton Transit was established in 2001 and provides on-demand transportation that keeps our neighbors connected to the important people and places in their lives. Among their riders are some of the community's most vulnerable residents, including senior citizens and those with disabilities. In order to most effectively meet Clinton County's present and future mobility needs, the agency is in the process of conducting a Transit Development Plan that, when completed, will be the agency's roadmap for improvements and potential expansion.

"We're removing barriers, making it safe and easy for our neighbors to fully participate in all that the community has to offer," shares Clinton Transit Executive Director MaLissa Schutt.

"The Blue Bus is making Clinton County a more desirable place to live and do business," shares Schutt. "More than a third of Blue Bus rides are for work-related purposes," shares Schutt. "Local business owners and employees alike have expressed peace of mind knowing that there is reliable public transportation available."

At the heart of Blue Bus service is a caring, dedicated team of administrative staff, schedulers, dispatchers and drivers. "There is so much joy and community connection that comes from getting to know our passengers," shares scheduler Tori Hall.

"Some people have no other means to get groceries, visit family, or get to and from appointments. We work as a team to meet those needs," says Hall. St. Johns resident Mary King agrees. "I love what you do for so many people," says King, who rides to visit her husband in an assisted living facility. "I would have no way to see him if it weren't for you."

From emergency response to canned food drives and Toys for Tots, Clinton Transit partners with many local organizations to support a variety of transportation needs. Kelly L. Schafer, Executive Director for The Voice for Clinton County's Children, shares "We are grateful for the many ways Clinton Transit assists us in connecting clients to important services." The agency also uses specialized communications equipment to back-up the Emergency Operations Center dispatch, playing a critical role in the county's emergency response system. For more information on the Blue Bus, visit mybluebus.com.

September and October



Summer may be coming to an end, but fall can offer just as much fun. DeWitt and Clinton County in general do not lack for exciting things to do during the fall and winter months; kayaking on the Looking Glass River, hiking through Sleepy Hollow State Park, enjoying a local football game, or attending fall festivals, there is something for everyone. Let's explore some great opportunities .

September is all about Big 10 and high school football, soccer matches, harvest festivals, color tours, and the last of the classic car shows.

The DeWitt Farmer's Market, hosted in downtown DeWitt on Tuesdays continues through Mid October.

The 3rd annual Fall FEASTival is being hosted in downtown St. Johns **September 16!** Sample and shop over 100 Michigan-Made food producers, farms, and food trucks!

Beginning **September 22 through October**, Uncle John's Cider Mill will host Fall Festival weekends featuring food trucks, music, corn maze, wagon rides through the orchard, and of course cider and donuts.

Perhaps this would be a great time to plan a color tour? What do you think? A drive through the county side, with a stop for cider and donuts?

The weather begins to cool a bit in October, but not the enthusiasm for the outdoors and a day in the park.

Do you enjoy camping? Sleeping Hollow State Park will be hosting events for campers on two weekends in October.

October 6 and 7 the park will host a harvest festival and **October 13 and 14** will be their annual Ichabod Crane Weekend.

The DeWitt Chamber will host the Annual Halloween Trick or Treat Trail (with haunted house) **October 28**. This is a great day at Riverside park. Over 30 Local Businesses, churches, and non-profit organizations set up trick or trick booths throughout the park for the kids. You will find a spooky haunted house and pumpkin decorating as part of the activities for the afternoon.



DeWitt Ox Roast Corn Hole Tournament August 19, 2023

\$30/2-person team

Double Elimination Tournament

East Main Street

Food & Beverage Court

12: 00 pm

1st place \$250 · 2nd Place \$150

3rd Place \$50



Register online at <https://dewittoxroast.org/>

DeWitt Ox Roast Duck Race

Sunday, August 20, 2023

Raffle License R 69352

You do not need to be present to win!

Purchase Tickets at the Chamber Office or
the Information Booth or the Food Court at the Ox Roast

Ducks will be dropped at 12 Noon from the Walking Bridge
located near the parking lot at City Hall.

Tickets \$5



Pancake Breakfast at the Ox Roast



Sunday, August 20, 2023

9:00 - 11:00 am

East Main Street Food & Beverage Court

December 2, 2023



Once we are past Halloween, many begin planning for the holidays. Day trips to Frankenmuth are always exciting as they offer such a wide variety of decorating ideas, along with their chicken dinners, and entertainment venues.

One will find plenty of local bazaars and craft shows throughout the month of November. A great place to find a unique gift for that special someone.

November 29 is the opening day for the Festival of Trees and Charity Auction hosted by the DeWitt Chamber Foundation at the Chamber Office. Local Businesses donate decorated Christmas Trees and themed Gift Baskets just in time for Christmas. If you have not attended, try to make it a priority this season. All items are sold via Silent Auction with funds donated to local charities. www.dewittareacc.org

December 2 is a magical day in downtown DeWitt. The DeWitt DDA hosts its annual Christmas market showcasing a wonderful selection of crafted items just in time for the holidays. Food trucks and a s'mores pit are important elements of the day. Then at 5 pm dozens of Santas converge on downtown for Capital Steel & Wire's Santa Run for charity.

The Christmas Light Parade hosted by the DeWitt Chamber steps off at 5:30 with a host of fascinating entries decorated with hundreds of lights.

The Festival of Trees Silent Auction closes at 7 pm. If you would like to participate in the Christmas Market please contact the City of DeWitt. If you would like to participate in the Santa Run, contact Capital Steel & Wire. Contact the DeWitt Chamber for the Festival of Trees and the Light Parade.

Christmas and Festival of Trees

Nov 29 – Dec 2, 2023

Electric Light Parade

December 2, 2023



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Moving Forward



Summer may be coming to an end in DeWitt; however, there is much to look forward to in the coming months.

The Farmer's Market hosted by the DeWitt DDA every Tuesday from 4-7 will continue through mid October.

The Senior Coffee hosted the 3rd Tuesday of the month will begin again in September. Check out the Chamber's Facebook Page for details. Everyone 60+ is invited to attend.

The Sledding Hill at the Granger Meadows Park will offer plenty of fun for the family as will the events hosted by the DeWitt Area Recreational Authority and the Library.

As we look forward to 2024, the Chamber will continue to pursue activities and events important to our members and our community. We would love to hear from you. What types of events do you enjoy; is there is an event you feel would benefit the residents of the DeWitt Community?

As so much is invested when planning and executing events, we would like to focus on what the community, both business and residential feel are important to enhance the quality of life in DeWitt. Loretta@dewittareacc.org or www.dewittareacc.org



DeWitt Area Chamber of Commerce

A **Chamber of Commerce** is an organization of businesses seeking to further their collective interests, while advancing their community, region, state or nation. Chambers have existed in the U.S. for more than two centuries. Currently there are over 7,000 area Chambers of Commerce in the United States. Each Chamber has something special to offer its members and community.

Mission of the DeWitt Chamber:

The **DeWitt Area Chamber of Commerce** is a non-profit, volunteer organization created to support local businesses and enhance the quality of life throughout the community to create a vibrant and sustainable Sense of Place.

The members of the DeWitt Chamber have also taken an active roll in the Annual Ox Roast and supports the DeWitt Chamber Foundation, a charitable organization focused on educational opportunities.

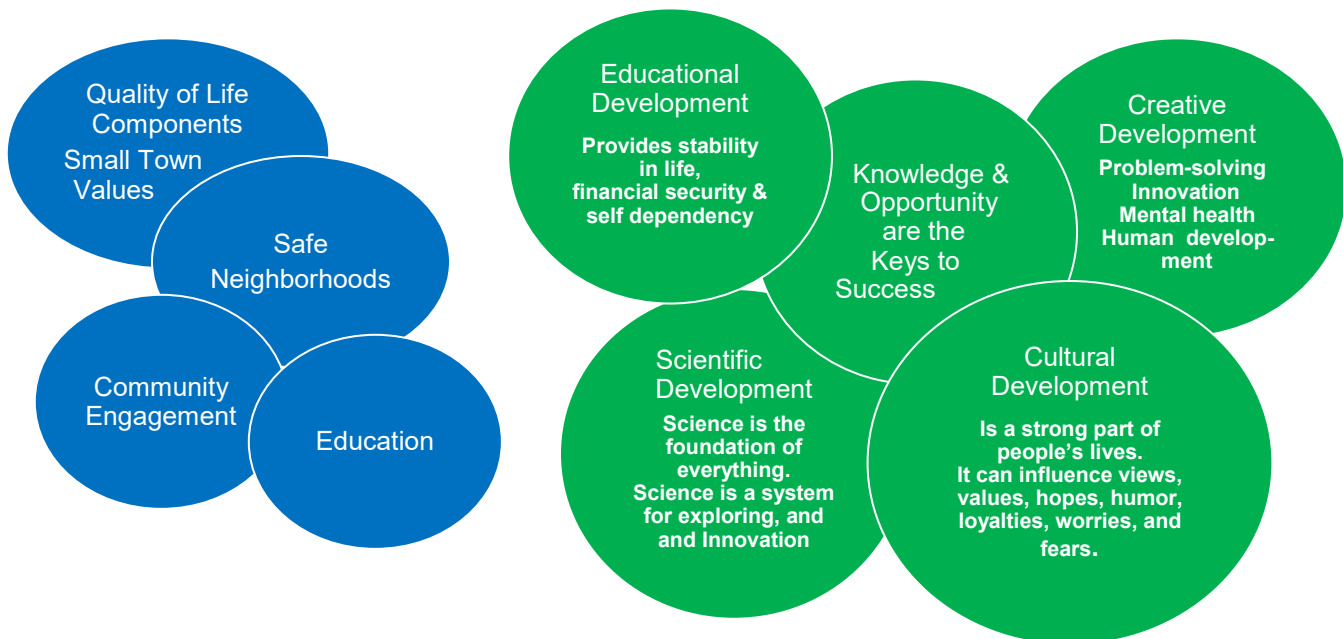
Administrative, Operational, and Leadership of the DeWitt Chamber:

The DeWitt Chamber is governed by a dedicated group of business people who donate their time and resources to support the Chamber and the Chamber's activities. All administrative duties, events, and publications are the result of volunteers,

The DeWitt Chamber Foundation. The DeWitt Area offers great opportunities for its residents; from camping to concerts, golfing to festivals. These are great attributes that are important elements in defining quality of life objectives. However, the DeWitt Chamber, in cooperation with the Chamber's Foundation, local governments, and other community organizations feel it is important to diligently continue its quest to define DeWitt as a vibrant community showcasing a vibrant "Sense of Place", further identifying the community's attributes and small town values.

To help the Chamber pursue its goals, we created the DeWitt Chamber Foundation, a non-profit, charitable organization to help with the Chamber's priorities. The focus of the Foundation is to pursue and promote the development and implantation of creative, scientific, cultural, and educational opportunities which will enhance the quality of the life in the DeWitt Community.

The Foundation has awarded nearly 60 scholarships to graduating seniors in Clinton County. While the Foundation will continue to fund scholarships; it will also expand its role in the community by partnering with Chamber and the DeWitt Memorial Association to create a series of community activities and events to support our goals of creating a true Sense of Place and enhancing the quality of life for the residents and businesses throughout the DeWitt area.



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