

## **Cataract Essential Services Pancake Breakfast**

October 1, 2023 8:00 AM - October 1, 2023 11:00 AM

Held at Cataract Essential Services – 6070 State Highway 27, Sparta.

Silent Auction until 10:30 AM.

Free will donations accepted.

## **Dean Saner Concert**

October 1, 2023 2:00 PM - October 1, 2023 4:00 PM

Celebrating nearly 40 years of composing music, singer-songwriter/pianist Dean Saner brings his songs of love and life to a benefit concert for the Driftless Music Festival at **Immanuel Lutheran Church (1004 W. Broadway) in Viroqua**. The concert will also feature an all-star lineup with Darren Saner of Rochester on drums/vocals, La Crosse area musicians Todd Saner and Tom Gibbons on guitar/vocals, and local James Fuller on bass. Local singer Stephanie Lied-Polnow rounds out the group of musicians.

From the breezy dog song "Racing the Train" of his childhood, to the smooth Michael Buble-influenced "Let Me Make You Smile," and the country-blues "No Harm, No Foul," Dean's thoughtful and clever lyrics combine with tasteful piano stylings, guiding the listener into an array of musical landscapes.

Along with several songs from the "Saner World" album, the concert will highlight an ending set of John Denver songs performed by the entire group, featuring Todd Saner, including "Rocky Mountain High," "Country Roads," and several others, with an invitation to sing along.

Admission will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, with a family/household price of \$15.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

October 2, 2023 1:00 PM - October 25, 2023 1:45 PM

Tai Chi Exercise held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Care Cove in Viroqua and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50: (262) 384-0082.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Program**

October 4, 2023 2:15 PM - October 4, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is Affordable Connectivity Program. Renee Coles from the Federal Communications Commission speaks of discounts for broadband & internet connected devices. Then go to McIntosh Memorial Library on Fri. Oct. 6 for assistance with your application. At Care Cove, Viroqua & Zoomed to Ontario, Viola & Readstown Public Libraries. Call Over 50 Lunch & Learn 262-384-0082.

## **A Place for Angels Fundraiser**

October 4, 2023 5:00 PM - October 4, 2023 8:30 PM

An evening of food and music at Sittin' Pretty Farm – S5990 Chamberlain Road, Viroqua, WI.

Homemade tenderloin tips, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, buns, and a dessert of homemade apple crisp will be served. Cost of the meal is \$12.00 per person, with serving starting from 5pm to 8pm.

Music will be provided by Genevieve Heyward from 5:30pm until 8:30pm. Tickets available in advance. All proceeds will be going to the "A Place for Angels" benefit.

"A Place for Angels" will be a quiet beautiful location in the Chaseburg Village Park where parents and friends can go to remember and honor the children we have lost too soon, regardless of their age.

Come and enjoy the fun for a good cause. For ticket and more information, contact Rick

Williams at 608-632-2984, Linda DeGarmo at 608-769-1919, or Rod Engh at 608-606-5039.

## **Haunted Locations In Your Own Backyard with Chad Lewis**

October 4, 2023 5:30 PM - October 4, 2023 8:00 PM

Held at Sparta Free Library.

This presentation featuring paranormal researcher/author Chad Lewis takes the audience on a ghostly journey to some of the most haunted places in Wisconsin. Complete with photos, case history, eyewitness accounts, ghost lore and more!

Recommended for ages 12 and up.

[Add to my calendar](#)

## **Ladles of Love**

October 5, 2023 5:00 PM - October 5, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **Prost! Stroll, Sip, Sample**

October 5, 2023 5:00 PM - October 5, 2023 8:30 PM

Food and Drink Walk in Sparta.

\$50/ticket.

Stroll the fall evening sampling different food and craft beer choices from local area vendors. Prizes given away at 8:15PM in Mueller Square.

Live Polka Music being provided by Gary's Ridgeland Dutchmen.

Special Guest Appearances by Past Oktoberfest Royalty.

[Click here](#) for more information.

## **Sparta Farmers Market**

October 7, 2023 8:00 AM - October 7, 2023 1:00 PM

This event recurs weekly until October 14, 2023

The 2023 Sparta Farmers Market runs each Saturday from 8AM until 1PM at Mueller Square and Creek Side.

Vendors will be selling plants, produce, baked goods, canned goods, crafts, honey, maple syrup, flowers, homemade dog treats, eggs, meat, and more!

Special event summer night markets will be held Tuesday, June 20th, Tuesday, July 18th, and Tuesday, August 15th on both sides of Water Street.

## **Fall Fest 2023**

October 7, 2023 8:00 AM - October 7, 2023 3:00 PM

Held in downtown Sparta.

### **ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE DAY**

8AM-3PM – Farmers Market & Fair

9:30AM-3PM – Minnow Racing

10:30AM-2:30PM – Axe Throwing

11AM – Kindschi Pedal Pull

1PM-3PM – Chili Contest

8AM-2PM – Street Graffiti

Kids Games

12:30PM-2:30PM – Live Music by Swingin' 5

[Click here](#) for more information.

## **Tim & Tully Tollackson Memorial Golf Scramble**

October 7, 2023 10:00 AM - October 7, 2023 3:00 PM

Held at the Snowflake Golf Ski Club – E7940 County Road P, Westby, WI.

18-hole big cup golf scramble with a chance to win prizes at each hole. Tournament starts at 10AM. \$50/person.

For more information, contact Rick Williams at 608-632-2984, Linda DeGarmo at 608-769-1919, or Rod Engh at 608-606-5039.

All proceeds benefit "A Place for Angels," in the Chaseburg Village Park in remembrance of children lost too soon. Come and enjoy the fun for a good cause.

## **Erv's Sparta Area Fire District 2nd Annual Block Party**

October 7, 2023 10:00 AM - October 7, 2023 10:00 PM

Held at Sparta Area Fire District Station 2 – 118 East Oak Street, Sparta, WI.

Fire Department Open House 10AM-2PM.

Truck Showings: Fire, Police, EMS, Military Vehicles

Bounce Houses

Face Paintings

Smoke House Tours

Fire Extinguisher Training

Bingo starting at 11AM

DJ Mike Harris 1PM-6PM

Followed by LIVE MUSIC by Something Familiar on Oak Street from 6PM-10PM

Food & refreshments served 10AM-8PM

Beer served 1PM-Last Call

Stay updated on the [Sparta Area Fire District's Facebook page](#).

## **Annual Omelette Breakfast Fundraiser**

October 8, 2023 8:00 AM - October 8, 2023 11:00 AM

Held at the Sparta American Legion – 1116 Angelo Road, Sparta.

Held every second Sunday of the month through April 2024. Money raised will help with Sparta American Legion Auxiliary programs in support of veterans, youth, and the community.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

October 9, 2023 1:00 PM - October 25, 2023 1:45 PM

Tai Chi Exercise held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Care Cove in Viroqua and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50: (262) 384-0082.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Program**

October 11, 2023 2:15 PM - October 11, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is "All of Us Research Program." There's a gap in medical research only YOU can fill. Join Rachel LaValley, a Wellness Education Specialist from Gundersen Health System, to learn more about the All of Us Research Program! At Care Cove in Viroqua & Zoomed to Viola, Readstown & Ontario Public Libraries. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

## **Annual Sauerkraut Supper**

October 11, 2023 4:00 PM - October 11, 2023 8:00 PM

At St. Peter's Church – Middle Ridge (W697 Highway 33, Rockland, WI)

Church-made Kraut & Pork Ribbs, Polish Sausage, Glazed Carrots, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Home-made Pie.

\$15/dinner.

2.5lbs raw kraut available for \$5.

Beverage Tent – Bake Sale – Raffles.

## Ladles of Love

October 12, 2023 5:00 PM - October 12, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## 13th Annual Co-Ed Softball Tournament

October 13, 2023 11:00 AM - October 15, 2023 5:00 PM

Breast Cancer Awareness 13th Annual Co-Ed Softball Tournament SAVE SECOND BASE.  
Held at Sparta Memorial Park, rain or shine, sleet or snow!

**\$150 per Team by Sept. 30th. Please make check out to "Save Second Base." Must be 16 to play.**

### Team Sign Up:

Dennis (608) 633-0014

Toni (608) 707-6938

Mail: Toni Anderson-Granahan – 3715 Cty Hwy S, Sparta, WI 54656.

### ACTIVITIES:

Home Run Derby (Fri & Sat, after last game)

Daily Raffles (Main Raffles on Sunday afternoon after last game)

**KIDS ACTIVITIES:** (Saturday only, depending on weather)

\$5 entry fee 11AM-12PM

Adult Car Show \$10

Kids Car Show \$5

**Car Show:**

Aaron (608) 487-0974

John (608) 633-0221

Don (608) 633-2879

**DRINKING TROPHY.**

**WIN A 2004 HARLEY DAVIDSON SOFTAIL (drawing on Oct. 15).**

**Volunteers needed & welcomed!**

**Volunteers, Donations, or Questions:**

Jenny (608) 633-9180

Jodie (608) 633-9315

For more information, visit the [Save the 2nd Base Facebook group](#), or email [ssbspartawi@yahoo.com](mailto:ssbspartawi@yahoo.com)

## **Sparta Farmers Market**

October 14, 2023 8:00 AM - October 14, 2023 1:00 PM

The 2023 Sparta Farmers Market runs each Saturday from 8AM until 1PM at Mueller Square and Creek Side.

Vendors will be selling plants, produce, baked goods, canned goods, crafts, honey, maple syrup, flowers, homemade dog treats, eggs, meat, and more!

Special event summer night markets will be held Tuesday, June 20th, Tuesday, July 18th, and Tuesday, August 15th on both sides of Water Street.



## **Star Wars Reads**

October 14, 2023 10:30 AM - October 14, 2023 12:30 PM

At Deke Slayton Museum, Sparta.

Come celebrate all things Star Wars with Star Wars themed Bingo, scavenger hunt, crafts, and more! Free and open to all ages!

## **Nacho Average Fundraiser!**

October 15, 2023 11:00 AM - October 15, 2023 5:00 PM

Cancer benefit for David Compton held at Viroqua Eagles Club – 216 S. Rock Ave.

Nachos and Taco Bar (free will offering).

Chinese Raffle – Bake Sale – Gun Raffle – Live Auction @ 3 pm

## **Board In The Library**

October 16, 2023 3:30 PM - October 16, 2023 5:30 PM

At Sparta Free Library.

An afternoon of cards, board games, & Nintendo Switch games! Open to all ages!

## **Coffee & Chat Book Club: Special Author Visit**

October 17, 2023 10:30 AM - October 17, 2023 12:00 PM

At Sparta Free Library – 124 W. Main St., Sparta

Maggie Ginsberg (2023 Midwest Book Awards honoree) will be Zooming in for the book club meeting. Copies of her book, Still True, are available at the upstairs desk. Patrons can participate in-person or on Zoom.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

October 16, 2023 1:00 PM - October 25, 2023 1:45 PM

Tai Chi Exercise held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Care Cove in Viroqua and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50: (262) 384-0082.  
[Add to my calendar](#)

## **Color Me Happy: Paint A Mug**

October 18, 2023 10:30 AM - October 18, 2023 12:00 PM

At Sparta Free Library.

Make a Mug Happy: paint boring, plain mugs with your own design!

Please register by calling (608) 269-2010.

## **Job Fair**

October 18, 2023 2:00 PM - October 18, 2023 5:00 PM

Held at the Monroe County Assembly Room (Use human services entrance on Oak St.) in Sparta.

Employers from multiple industries will participate.

Free and open to the public.

Hosted by Monroe County Child Support Agency. Call (608) 269-8014 for more information.

Employers wishing to take part in the job fair can contact:

Wendy Swenson: (608) 269-8014, email [Wendy.Swenson@co.monroe.wi.us](mailto:Wendy.Swenson@co.monroe.wi.us)

or Nicole Jacobs: (608) 269-8980, email [Nicole.Jacobs@co.monroe.wi.us](mailto:Nicole.Jacobs@co.monroe.wi.us)

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Program**

October 18, 2023 2:15 PM - October 18, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is "Community Conservation, Inc." Teri Allendorf, Executive Director will tell us how this Viroqua organization empowers people to conserve natural resources. At Care Cove in Viroqua & Zoomed to Viola, Readstown & Ontario Public Libraries. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

## **Teen Crafternoon**

October 19, 2023 3:30 PM - October 19, 2023 5:00 PM

At Sparta Free Library.

Make Zombie Plushies! All materials provided. Grades 6-12 only.

## **Ladles of Love**

October 19, 2023 5:00 PM - October 19, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **Pettibone Haunted Mile**

October 20, 2023 5:00 PM - October 20, 2023 8:00 PM

Pettibone Haunted Mile is a free walk-through event open to all public! Activities such as the obstacle course bounce house, trick-or-treating, Halloween themed activities, and local vendor booths will be a part of the activity passport to win some cool prizes! Don't forget the magic show by The Magic of Isaiah running from 6:15pm-7:00pm accessible for all attendees.

[Click here](#) for more information or call the City of La Crosse Parks & Recreation Department at (608) 789-7533.

## **Cataract Essential Services Halloween Party**

October 20, 2023 6:00 PM - October 20, 2023 9:00 PM

Held at Cataract Essential Services – 6070 State Highway 27, Sparta.

## Area Community Theatre Fall Activities

October 20, 2023 7:00 PM - November 4, 2023 9:00 PM

Area Community Theatre is located at 901 Kilbourn Avenue in Tomah, WI.

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10/20 – “Drinking Habits” – 7PM ([buy tickets](#))

10/21 – “Drinking Habits” – 1PM & 7PM ([buy tickets](#))

10/22 – “Drinking Habits” – 1PM ([buy tickets](#))

10/26 – BINGO SPOOKTACULAR – 7PM (at Cabaret Room) *\*\*Basket Prizes, 50/50*

*Raffle\*\* \*\*Bingo Cards: \$20/ea. or 3 for \$50\*\* \*\*Costume Contest @ Murray’s on Main\*\**

10/27 – “Drinking Habits” – 7PM ([buy tickets](#))

10/28 – “Drinking Habits” – 1PM & 7PM ([buy tickets](#))

10/29 – “Drinking Habits” – 1PM ([buy tickets](#))

11/4 – Area Community Banquet (at Gatsby Room) *\*\*Social Hour @ 5:30PM... Dinner at*

*6:30PM\*\* \*\*Dinner of sliced roast beef w/gravy, chicken w/mushroom rosemary cream sauce, mashed*

*potatoes, carrots w/green beans, chocolate mousse shortcake\*\** ([buy tickets](#) – **deadline to buy is 10/31**)

## Tomah Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast

October 21, 2023 8:00 AM - October 21, 2023 12:00 PM

Tomah Boy Scout Troop 72 is hosting a pancake breakfast.

All you can eat pancakes and sausage (with beverage) for \$8.

Held at American Legion Hall – 800 Wisconsin St., Tomah, WI

## Walk of Terror

October 21, 2023 4:00 PM - October 21, 2023 10:00 PM

Join the Wilsonville Walkers for “**The Walk of Terror**” at the Chaseburg Village Park – 401 Depot St., Chaseburg, WI.

Walk is held from 4PM to 10PM, with “scare-free” times from 4PM to 6PM and “scare time” from 6:15PM to 10PM.

Admission is \$5/adult and \$2/children. Souvenir photos are \$5. Food and snacks

available with free will offering. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society Sole Burner of Chaseburg.

For more information contact Gary at 608-483-2562. To donate go to [acsmove.org/Chaseburg](https://acsmove.org/Chaseburg)

## **Tabby Town 20th Anniversary**

October 21, 2023 5:00 PM - October 21, 2023 8:00 PM

Tabby Town USA, Inc., a non-profit cat rescue from Westby, is holding their 20th Anniversary celebration at the American Legion in Onalaska, WI.

Basket raffles and silent auction. \$5 entry fee includes food. Drinks available in bar.

## **Fundraiser for Special Christmas**

October 21, 2023 5:30 PM - October 21, 2023 10:00 PM

Featuring New Dueling Pianos.

Held at Murray's On Main Banquet Hall, Tomah.

Doors open at 5:30PM – Dinner at 6:15PM – Show 7:30PM-10PM

**\$50 per ticket, or reserve a table of 10 for \$450.**

**Dinner Includes:** Sous Vide Roast Beef – Double Baked Chicken – Garlic Mashed Potatoes – Bacon Glazed Green Beans – Dinner Roll & Dessert

**Please call (608) 377-7100 to reserve your Ticket(s) or Table(s).**

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

October 23, 2023 1:00 PM - October 25, 2023 1:45 PM

Tai Chi Exercise held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Care Cove in Viroqua and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50: (262) 384-0082.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Program**

October 25, 2023 1:45 PM - October 25, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is a Social Hour at Care Cove, Viroqua. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

## **Ladles of Love**

October 26, 2023 5:00 PM - October 26, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **Soup with the Sup!**

October 24, 2023 5:30 PM - October 26, 2023 7:30 PM

Held 5:30PM on Tuesday, October 24 & Thursday, October 26th @ Sparta High School.

Learn More:

- Community Survey
- Needs/Challenges of SASD
- Question & Answer

## **SATAG Presents: All Because of Agatha**

October 27, 2023 7:30 PM - October 29, 2023 2:00 PM

Sparta Area Theatre and Arts Guild presents Jonathan Troy's "All Because of Agatha."  
Held at Sparta Eagles Club, Hwy 21 in Sparta.

Directed by Nancy Bell  
Co-directed by Edith Taylor

**SHOWTIMES**

FRI 10/20 – 7:30PM

SAT 10/21 – 7:30PM

SUN 10/22 – 2PM

FRI 10/27 – 7:30PM

SAT 10/28 – 7:30PM

SUN 10/29 – 2PM

Tickets available at the door.

More info? Call 608-269-4364 or 608-377-4104.

## **Fall Craft Fair**

October 28, 2023 9:00 AM - October 28, 2023 1:30 PM

Held at Harry J. Olson Senior Center – 1607 North St, La Crosse, WI 54603.

Lunch will be available.

## **Country Schoolhouse Tour of Southwest Vernon County**

October 28, 2023 9:00 AM - October 28, 2023 1:00 PM

This self-guided tour of the southwestern part of Vernon County will visit some of the former country schoolhouses or sites of the area. The route begins in Viroqua, heads out on Co. Rd. NN, travels through the hills, valleys, and prairies to Victory on the Mississippi River, then winds back to Viroqua.

Pick up a tour guidebook and map that day between 9AM and 1PM at the Vernon County Museum and History Center, corner of S. Main and E. South Streets, Viroqua. \$10 suggested donation.

Then drive the tour of about 15 country schoolhouses and sites, enjoying the scenery and learning about rural architecture. Finish up back in Viroqua.

Copies of the book, Country Schoolhouses of Vernon County, Wisconsin, are available for \$25 at the history center.

## **4th Annual Sparta Lions Club Packer Party**

October 29, 2023 11:00 AM - October 29, 2023 5:00 PM

Held at the Sparta American Legion. Doors open at 11 AM. \$10 at the door includes all you care to eat and door prizes. There will be baskets and silent/raffle tickets sold separately for chances to win donations from local businesses.

Drawing at 4PM for below items. Tickets \$5/ea. or 3 for \$10 and can be purchased from Sparta Lions members or at the door on Sunday.

### **PRIZES:**

- 1st – Intex Excursion Inflatable kayak and life jacket/oars
- 2nd – Blackstone Flat top gas grill set with cover and cooler
- 3rd – Toshiba 50" Smart Fire TV
- 4th – Trex Bench
- 5th – \$200
- 6th – \$100
- 7th – \$75
- 8th – \$50

## **2nd Annual Trunk or Treat**

October 29, 2023 4:00 PM - October 29, 2023 6:00 PM

Held at the Harry J. Olson Senior Center – 1607 North Street, La Crosse, WI.

Presented by Driftless Region Modified, Voices Helping Voices, and Harry J. Olson Senior Center.

CARS // HOT DOGS // CANDY // GAMES // PRIZES



Questions or wanting to enter your car?

Call: (608) 865-1258 or (608) 797-9382.

Email: joeyreynolds78@gmail.com or austinzielke22@gmail.com

## **“Donate to Dracula” Halloween Blood Drive**

October 30, 2023 11:00 AM - October 30, 2023 3:00 PM

Held at Rivoli Theatre and Pizzeria in La Crosse.

Donors will receive free movie passes and popcorn after their donation, and everyone can enjoy Dracula and vampire-themed fun the entire day. Movies showing that day include Dracula (1931), The Exorcist (1973), and Five Nights at Freddy’s (2023).

Costumes and candy are encouraged (as long as it doesn’t impede the phlebotomists). You can sign-up by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

## **Spooky Film Screening (18+)**

October 30, 2023 5:00 PM - October 30, 2023 7:00 PM

*Knock At The Cabin*

Held at Sparta Free Library.

## **SOCK-TOBER!**

October 2, 2023 12:00 AM - October 31, 2023 11:59 PM

ADRC of Monroe County Sock Drive.

Help your neighbors get back on their feet by donating new socks of all colors and sizes!

### **DROP-OFF LOCATIONS**

**ADRC of Monroe County**

*-315 W. Oak Street, Sparta*

**Kupper Ratsch Senior Center**

*-1002 Superior Avenue, Tomah*

**Scenic Bluffs**

*-238 Front Street, Cashton*

*-200 West North Street, Norwalk*

**Monroe County Senior Dining Sites**

*-Cashton – 812 Main Street*

*-Norwalk – 206 West Center Street*

*-Kendall – 412 Spring Street*

*-Wilton – 806 Railroad Street*

*-Sparta – 1000 E. Montgomery St.*

*-Tomah – 1002 Superior Ave.*

Questions? Call Stephanie Haas, Community Health Worker at the ADRC of Monroe County at 608-269-8636.

## **Monroe County Flu Vaccine Clinics**

October 31, 2023 8:30 AM - October 31, 2023 4:00 PM

Monroe County Health Department is holding community flu vaccine clinics this October to make getting your flu shot easy and convenient for you and your family!

CDC recommends everyone 6 months and older should get a flu vaccine each year to prevent sickness from the flu. It takes about two weeks for the flu vaccine to protect against the virus, so make a plan today to get yourself and your family vaccinated.

Monroe County Health Department is offering quadrivalent vaccine for those less than 65 years of age as well as high dose vaccine for those 65 years of age and older. They can bill Medicare, Medical Assistance, Senior Preferred, and third-party insurance companies to cover the \$30 charge for regular vaccine and \$65 for high dose vaccine. To pre-register or to schedule individual appointments, please contact the Monroe County Health Department at 608-269-8666.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
10/02/23	5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Warrens Fire Station
10/06/23	8:30 am – 5:00 pm	Monroe County Health Dept. – 315 W. Oak St.

10/09/23	6:30 pm – 7:00 pm	Cashton Fire Department
10/11/23	11:00 am – 11:45 am	Sparta Community Center / Barney Center
10/12/23	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Tomah VA – Community Drive-Thru – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street
10/13/23	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Tomah VA – Community Drive-Thru – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street
10/14/23	7:30 am – 11:00 am	Oakdale Electric Cooperative – Tomah, WI
10/16/23	12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Monroe County Fairgrounds/Community Drive-Thru County Highway CM, Tomah, WI *Follow Signs*
10/17/23	10:30 am – 12:45 pm	Wilton Fire Station
10/19/23	12:30 pm – 2:50 pm	Kupper-Ratsch Senior Center – Tomah, WI
10/20/23	8:00 am – 10:30 am	Organic Valley – Community Drive-Thru 509 Organic Drive, Cashton, WI
10/20/23	11:15 am – 12:00 pm	Cashton Community Hall
10/23/23	8:30 am – 5:00 pm	Monroe County Health Dept. – 315 W. Oak St.
10/31/23	8:30 am – 4:00 pm	Monroe County Health Dept. – 315 W. Oak St.

Follow the [Monroe County Health Department Facebook page](#) for updates and reminders.

## **Sparta Trick-Or-Treat**

October 31, 2023 3:00 PM - October 31, 2023 7:00 PM

Business Trick-or-Treat runs from 3PM-5PM.

### **Participating businesses include:**

Monroe County Justice Center  
Sparta Floral and Greenhouses  
Vista Verizon

Park Bank  
Farmer's Insurance  
KEPS  
Matsumoto Ramen House  
Biederman Jewelers  
Search and Find  
River Bank  
Sparta Health Mart  
Shifty's Shack  
Sparta Soda Works

**Participating businesses found at Mueller Square:**

Alchemy Brew Pub  
Gram's American Family  
Corbin's Grill & Chill  
Gundersen Lutheran  
KandyGraham, LLC  
Referral Staffing Solutions  
Tim Neubauer Trucking, LLC.

**City-wide Trick-or-Treat runs from 4PM-7PM.**

## **Tomah's Annual Community Halloween Party**

October 31, 2023 4:30 PM - October 31, 2023 8:00 PM

At Recreation Park, Recreation Building, 1625 Butts Ave., Tomah, WI.

Free community Halloween party 4:30PM-6:30PM with games & game prizes.  
Costume Judging at 5:15PM.

City-Wide Trick or Treating 5PM-8PM.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

November 1, 2023 1:00 PM - November 29, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday & Wednesday. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

**DATES/LOCATIONS listed below.**

**Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Care Cove, Viroqua. & the Ontario Public Library.

**Monday, Nov. 6, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Care Cove, Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Care Cove, Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Monday, Nov. 13, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall, 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Monday, Nov. 20, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 C. Rock Ave. Viroqua. & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

**Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

**Monday, Nov. 27, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082

**Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023** – 1-1:45 Tai Chi Exercise at Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Program**

November 1, 2023 2:15 PM - November 1, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is The Other Door with Lynn Prestwood, Director Care Staff of the Family & Children's Center in Viroqua. At Care Cove, Viroqua & Zoomed to Ontario, Viola & Readstown Public Libraries. Call Over 50 Lunch & Learn 262-384-0082.

## **Ladles of Love**

November 2, 2023 5:00 PM - November 2, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **2023 Kendall Lion's Holiday Fair**

November 3, 2023 9:00 AM - November 4, 2023 2:00 PM

Kendall Community Hall – 219 W South Railroad St, Kendall, WI.

**Fri. Nov. 3 ... 9AM-4PM**

**Sat. Nov. 4 ... 9AM-2PM**

Sponsored by Kendall Lions.

For vendor information: call Cheryl Armstong (608) 427-6665.

## **Home Made Meatball Dinner & Bake Sale**

November 4, 2023 11:00 AM - November 4, 2023 1:00 PM

At Middle Coon Valley Lutheran Church – Hwy 162, Chaseburg, WI.

Dine In, Carry Out, or Drive Through.

\$13/meal. Serving from 11AM until gone.

## **Sparta American Legion Membership Appreciation Day**

November 4, 2023 2:00 PM - November 4, 2023 6:00 PM

The Sparta American Legion will hold a Membership Appreciation Day for the Legion family, which includes the Auxiliary and the Sons of the Legion. This event brings members, veterans and other eligible candidates together in appreciation for their service to our country. The goal of this event is to recognize accomplishments, build comradery and let veterans know about the benefits of belonging to the Legion family.

Members will get \$1 drinks, food and fun (bring your Legion card). Join the Legion and get in the game. Raffles, games, and a chance to reconnect with less active members.

The Legion is built on four pillars- Veterans Affairs, National Security, Americanism and Children & Youth. Each of these have several sub-categories that the Legion strives to support through volunteering, mentorship and giving. In the last fiscal year, the Legion

donated over 22,000 volunteer hours and over \$22,000 in monetary donations. The District American Legion Riders, of which several Sparta American Legion members belong, raised over \$73,000 for veterans programs last year.

The Sparta American Legion is an open post that welcomes current and former member of the uniformed services, as well as their friends and families. For more information about the Sparta American Legion, [please visit their Facebook page](#) or call (608) 269-4411.

## **St. Clare Health Mission of Monroe County Tuesday Evening Clinic**

November 7, 2023 5:00 PM - November 7, 2023 6:30 PM

### **WHERE:**

Mayo Clinic Health System  
310 West Main Street  
Sparta, Wisconsin 54656  
Phone: 608-366-5343 (please leave a voice message)

### **WHEN:**

First and third Tuesday evenings of each month.  
Registration: 5:00-6:30 p.m.  
No appointment needed; patients are seen on a first come, first served basis.

### **WHO:**

Adults 18 years of age and older with no public or private medical insurance. Financial eligibility is reviewed at registration and is based on income and family size.

### **WHAT:**

- Basic health care treatment for acute and chronic medical problems
- In-house pharmacy for prescribed medications (no narcotics are prescribed)
- Referrals to Mayo Clinic Health System or Gundersen Health System specialists if recommended by  
volunteer providers

– No services available for mental health counseling, dental care, or vision care

[Click here](#) for more information.

## **Cashton Lions Club & Cashton Knights of Columbus Bingo**

November 7, 2023 5:30 PM - November 7, 2023 8:00 PM

Cashton Community Hall

Doors Open at 5:30 – Bingo at 6:30

Food & Beverages Available

[Add to my calendar](#)

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

November 6, 2023 1:00 PM - November 29, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday & Wednesday. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

### **DATES/LOCATIONS listed below.**

**Monday, Nov. 6, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Care Cove, Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Care Cove, Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Monday, Nov. 13, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall, 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Monday, Nov. 20, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 C. Rock Ave. Viroqua. & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

**Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

**Monday, Nov. 27, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082

**Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023** – 1-1:45 Tai Chi Exercise at Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.



## Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Program

November 8, 2023 2:15 PM - November 8, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is Organic Valley's History & "It's not all about Dairy" by Jim Wedeberg, one of the original dairy farmers with Organic Valley. At Care Cove in Viroqua & Zoomed to Viola, Readstown & Ontario Public Libraries. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

## Ladles of Love

November 9, 2023 5:00 PM - November 9, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## Tomah American Legion Veterans Day Breakfast

November 11, 2023 8:00 AM - November 11, 2023 10:00 AM

**TOMAH AMERICAN LEGION POST 201**

**VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST**

Legion doors **OPEN** at 8:00 serving till 10:00

**VETERANS EAT FREE\***

\*Please have some type of Proof\*

\$5 for everybody else

**MENU:**

**ALL-U-CAN EAT PANACKES**

Scrambled Eggs

Bacon

Ice Water, Milk or Coffee

**Bar Specials:** Bloody Mary's, Mimosa's

## **Sparta American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Annual Craft Show**

November 11, 2023 9:00 AM - November 11, 2023 3:00 PM

Held at Sparta American Legion – 1116 Angelo Road, Sparta, WI.

Bake Sale – Food Available – Jewelry – Scentsy – Wood Crafts – Children’s Books – Crochet Items.

The Vendor booth fees are all donated to Children’s Charities.

## **Craft & Vendor Fair**

November 11, 2023 9:00 AM - November 11, 2023 2:00 PM

Held inside Graham Central Station – 417 Fair Street, Tomah, WI. Come check out what local talented crafters have been making!

[Click here](#) for more information.

## **2023 Annual Fall Festival**

November 11, 2023 9:00 AM - November 11, 2023 2:00 PM

Held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sparta.

### **FEATURING**

- \*Scandinavian & other baked goods
- \*crafts
- \*vendors
- \*Vintage Marketplace

*All proceeds go to church missions.*

*Make sure to register for the door prize!*

### **BARBECUE LUNCH**

Served by Church Women

*Barbecue, Chips, Pickle, Cranberry Salad, Pie, and Beverage – \$10*

## **Tomah Ambulance Chili Cook-Off**

November 11, 2023 12:00 PM - November 11, 2023 4:00 PM

The Tomah Area Ambulance Association will be holding a chili cook off at the Tomah Emergency Services building – 410 North Glendale Tomah, WI.

Trophies awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

\$20 to enter, \$5 for a tasting walk through.

All proceeds donated to the Wild Ops program for veterans. Deadline to register is November 1. Contact [smoore@tomahwi.gov](mailto:smoore@tomahwi.gov) or call (715) 892-7877 to register.

## **Annual Omelette Breakfast Fundraiser**

November 12, 2023 8:00 AM - November 12, 2023 11:00 AM

Held at the Sparta American Legion – 1116 Angelo Road, Sparta.

Held every second Sunday of the month through April 2024. Money raised will help with Sparta American Legion Auxiliary programs in support of veterans, youth, and the community.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

November 13, 2023 1:00 PM - November 29, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday & Wednesday. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

### **DATES/LOCATIONS listed below.**

**Monday, Nov. 13, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall, 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

**Monday, Nov. 20, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 C. Rock Ave. Viroqua.

& the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

**Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave.

Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

**Monday, Nov. 27, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua

& the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082

**Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023** – 1-1:45 Tai Chi Exercise at Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

## **Job Fair**

November 15, 2023 2:00 PM - November 15, 2023 5:00 PM

Held at the Monroe County Assembly Room (Use human services entrance on Oak St.) in Sparta.

Employers from multiple industries will participate.

Free and open to the public.

Hosted by Monroe County Child Support Agency. Call (608) 269-8014 for more information.

Employers wishing to take part in the job fair can contact:

Wendy Swenson: (608) 269-8014, email [Wendy.Swenson@co.monroe.wi.us](mailto:Wendy.Swenson@co.monroe.wi.us)

or Nicole Jacobs: (608) 269-8980, email [Nicole.Jacobs@co.monroe.wi.us](mailto:Nicole.Jacobs@co.monroe.wi.us)

## **Yesterday Once More**

November 15, 2023 7:30 PM - November 15, 2023 9:00 PM

The Tomah Concert Association is pleased to bring “Yesterday Once More: The Sound of Karen Carpenter” featuring Joanne O’Brien to the Tomah High School Auditorium on Wednesday, November 15th at 7:30PM.

“Yesterday Once More” was a hit song for The Carpenters from their 1973 album Now & Then. The lyrics thoughtfully reminisce about songs of the past, and the memories brought forth from hearing them. Joanne O’Brien and her velvety voice, bring the sounds of the 1970s through the music of Karen Carpenter, and the sounds that inspired so many. Through a cavalcade of iconic classics, Joanne illuminates the musical diversity, pop culture, and political climate of that time in history when the world first fell in love with the magical sound of Karen and Richard Carpenter.

For ticket information please contact Bonnie at 608-823-7133.

## Veterans Open House

November 16, 2023 2:00 PM - November 16, 2023 7:00 PM

**Music | Laughter | Meal | Fellowship**

Held at Sparrows Nest – 17304 Havenwood Rd, Sparta, WI.

### AGENDA

*Music by Diver G Entertainment, Jonathon Dobey*

2PM-2:05PM – Opening Prayer, Monsignor David Kunz, Queen of Apostles Church

2:05PM-2:15PM – Tom Graber, Together with Veterans

2:15PM-2:45PM – Carol Ewald, Veterans Administration

2:45PM-3:10PM – Barry Folgate, Veterans Administration, Whole Health

3:10PM-3:30PM – Lisa Clark, Mayo Health Clinic

3:30PM-4PM – Phillip Stuart, Gundersen Health

4PM-4:30PM – Mary Fawcett, Quilts of Valor

4:30PM-5PM – Ron Stanek, A Veteran's Journey

5:15PM-6:30PM – Dinner

Closing Prayer, Father Eric Burns, St. Patrick's Church

Questions? Email [togetherwithveterans.sn@gmail.com](mailto:togetherwithveterans.sn@gmail.com) or call (661) 400-2318.

## Ladles of Love

November 16, 2023 5:00 PM - November 16, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## Ladies Night Out

November 16, 2023 5:00 PM - November 16, 2023 8:00 PM

Past & Present Butterfest Ladies present Ladies Night Out at Club 16 – 1614 W. Wisconsin St., Sparta.

5PM – Social

6:30PM – Dinner

Tickets are \$30/person. Reserved table of 8 – \$240.

Menu: Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole, Candied Carrots, Relishes & Dip, Dessert.

For tickets, call Mary at (608) 269-3849.

## **1st Annual Hunters Night Out**

November 17, 2023 2:00 PM - November 17, 2023 9:00 PM

Everyone Welcome on Gun Opener Eve for a meal and activities at the Cataract Sportsmen's Club.

**Menu will include 12oz Ribeye, Chicken Breast, or Chili/Loaded Chili** with Pasta Salad, Green Beans, Baked Potato, Mushrooms & Onions, and Bun.

### **ACTIVITIES**

-Trail Camera Contest – *Bring in your best trail cam pic from this year. People's choice voting. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place prizes.*

-4 Gun Raffle – *1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10*

-Walk around raffles through the day/evening

-50/50 Drawing

-Wing Span Drawing

***DRAWINGS STARTING AROUND 7/7:30PM***

[Click here](#) for more information.

## **Bake & Craft Sale**

November 18, 2023 9:00 AM - November 18, 2023 1:00 PM

Held at St. John's Lutheran Church – 419 Jefferson Ave., Sparta.

## **North Pole Magic in Miniature – Opening Night**

November 20, 2023 6:30 PM - November 20, 2023 8:00 PM

*Featuring the Joan Cook North Pole Village Collection.*

At the Monroe County Local History Room – 200 West Main St., Sparta

Holiday Display opens November 20th. A spectacular Display of Over 100 illuminated buildings!

FREE Admission. [Click here](#) for more information.

## **St. Clare Health Mission of Monroe County Tuesday Evening Clinic**

November 21, 2023 5:00 PM - November 21, 2023 6:30 PM

### **WHERE:**

Mayo Clinic Health System  
310 West Main Street  
Sparta, Wisconsin 54656  
Phone: 608-366-5343 (please leave a voice message)

### **WHEN:**

First and third Tuesday evenings of each month.  
Registration: 5:00-6:30 p.m.  
No appointment needed; patients are seen on a first come, first served basis.

### **WHO:**

Adults 18 years of age and older with no public or private medical insurance. Financial eligibility is reviewed at registration and is based on income and family size.

### **WHAT:**

- Basic health care treatment for acute and chronic medical problems
- In-house pharmacy for prescribed medications (no narcotics are prescribed)
- Referrals to Mayo Clinic Health System or Gundersen Health System specialists if recommended by  
volunteer providers
- No services available for mental health counseling, dental care, or vision care

[Click here](#) for more information.

## **Cashton Lions Club & Cashton Knights of Columbus Bingo**

November 21, 2023 5:30 PM - November 21, 2023 8:00 PM

Cashton Community Hall

Doors Open at 5:30 – Bingo at 6:30

Food & Beverages Available

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

November 20, 2023 1:00 PM - November 29, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday & Wednesday. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

### **DATES/LOCATIONS listed below.**

**Monday, Nov. 20, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 C. Rock Ave. Viroqua. & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

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**Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023** – 1-1:45 Tai Chi Exercise at Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

## **Sparta Community Thanksgiving Dinner**

November 23, 2023 11:00 AM - November 23, 2023 1:00 PM

Served at the Sparta American Legion Post 100 – 1116 Angelo Road, Sparta



**The Meal is Free! Everyone is Welcome! Bring Family and Friends!**

**Menu: Turkey, dressing, whipped potatoes, gravy, sweet potatoes, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, dinner rolls, butter, apple and pumpkin pies, beverages.**

Free will donations are accepted and will benefit the Sparta Ecumenical Ministerial Association's ongoing work in the Sparta community.

*For Meal Delivery to Homebound and Elderly*, please call (608) 269-3894 between 9AM and 5PM. Deadline to reserve meals is November 20.

*Carry Outs are Not Available.*

*For a free ride to the American Legion, based on availability*, call Sparta Cabs at (608) 269-2222.

Sponsored by the Sparta Ecumenical Ministerial Association with donations from many Monroe County businesses.

## **13th Annual Onalaska/Holmen Community Thanksgiving Dinner**

November 23, 2023 11:00 AM - November 23, 2023 2:00 PM

Celebrate Thanksgiving as a Community!

Held at Wisconsin National Guard Armory – 910 Oak Forest Drive, Onalaska.

Deliveries and Carry-outs Available

To arrange for meal delivery and carry-outs, [click here](#) or call 608-871-3183.

*Deliveries available to Onalaska, Holmen, and Brice Prairie.*

### **-MENU-**

Turkey

Stuffing

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Rolls

Green Bean Casserole

Pumpkin Pie & Desserts

Milk & Coffee

Good Fellowship, Good Food & No Charge.

Music by Colin Marshall.

## **Wilton Community Thanksgiving Dinner**

November 23, 2023 11:00 AM - November 23, 2023 3:00 PM

At the Wilton American Legion. Serving from 11 am until gone. Turkey, ham and all the fixing. Open to everyone. Free will offering. Sponsored by The Wilton Group.

## **Ladles of Love**

November 23, 2023 5:00 PM - November 23, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **Cashton VFW Auxiliary's 38th Annual Craft, Vendor, and Bake Sale**

November 25, 2023 9:00 AM - November 25, 2023 3:00 PM

Held at Cashton Community Hall.

Lunch Available.

## **Card Party**

November 25, 2023 6:30 PM - November 25, 2023 8:00 PM

Held at Cataract Essential Services. Euchre or 500. Beginning at 6:30pm Sign up will be the night of the event.

## **Trinity Lutheran Church Community Blood Drive**

November 27, 2023 12:00 PM - November 27, 2023 5:00 PM

Held at Trinity Lutheran Church – 612 North Water Street, Sparta.

Schedule an appointment to become a priority donor. Call 877-232-4375 or [click here](#).

Give blood, get noodles! Receive a coupon for a buy one, get one half off an entree from Noodles & Company while supplies last.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Tai Chi Exercise**

November 27, 2023 1:00 PM - November 29, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday & Wednesday. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

### **DATES/LOCATIONS listed below.**

**Monday, Nov. 27, 2023** – 1-1:45 – Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082

**Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023** – 1-1:45 Tai Chi Exercise at Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua & the Ontario Public Library.

## **Trinity Lutheran Church Community Blood Drive**

November 28, 2023 12:00 PM - November 28, 2023 5:00 PM

Held at Trinity Lutheran Church – 612 North Water Street, Sparta.

Schedule an appointment to become a priority donor. Call 877-232-4375 or [click here](#).

Give blood, get noodles! Receive a coupon for a buy one, get one half off an entree from Noodles & Company while supplies last.

## **Over 50 Lunch & Learn: Social Hour**

November 29, 2023 1:45 PM - November 29, 2023 3:00 PM

Social Hour at Bethel Homes Fellowship Hall, 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

## **Ladles of Love**

November 30, 2023 5:00 PM - November 30, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **Sparta's Santa Scamper**

December 1, 2023 4:00 PM - December 1, 2023 6:00 PM

Held at Park Bank – 145 North Water Street, Sparta.

### **FAMILY FUN RUN!**

- > Social Hour (Milk & Cookies) – 4PM
- > Contest Judging – 5:15PM
- > Santa Scamper Race – 5:28PM

### **CONTEST & PRIZES**

- > Biggest Group
- > Brightest Person
- > Ugliest Sweater

\$10/person. All sales final. All proceeds will go towards the Boys & Girls Club of Sparta. [Click here](#) to register online.

## **CPR/AED @ Bethel Home Fellowship Hall**

December 2, 2023 9:00 AM - December 2, 2023 11:00 AM

Vernon Co. Over 50 & Viroqua Park & Recreation Department present Family & Friends CPR/AED at Bethel Home Fellowship Hall – 614 S. Rock Ave. Viroqua. A fun and stress-free learning experience to equip individuals with the knowledge and skills to provide care in emergency situations. Call Carrie at Vernon Co. Over 50, 608-627-1850.

## **Norwalk Lions: Santa Visit**

December 2, 2023 11:00 AM - December 2, 2023 12:30 PM

Head over to the Norwalk Village Hall to meet Santa Claus!

## **Christmas Craft & Charcuterie Night**

December 2, 2023 6:00 PM - December 2, 2023 9:00 PM

Christmas Craft & Charcuterie Night held at Cataract Essential Services, Inc. – Hwy 27, Sparta. Sign up will be in advance on [Cataract Essential Services Facebook page](#).

## **Holiday History Tour 2023**

December 3, 2023 1:00 PM - December 3, 2023 4:00 PM

Presented by the Vernon County Historical Society.

Visit 5 historic sites around Viroqua, all decorated for the holidays, with food, music, dancing, and Santa!

Start at the **Vernon County Museum & History Center, corner of S. Main and E. South Sts.**, to enjoy holiday goodies and purchase tickets:

Adult: \$10 Child: \$5 Household Maximum: \$20

### **Hotel Fortney Lounge, 100 N. Main St.**

Holiday foods and drinks, music, and dancing.

### **Foreaker School, 606 W. Broadway**

Holiday craft-making and storytelling.

### **Old St. Mary's Church, 606 W. Broadway**

Holiday music and treats.

### **Sherry-Butt House, 795 N. Main St.**

Holiday music, tours of the house, and a visit with Santa!

*For more information, check out the [Vernon County Historical Society's Facebook page](#), visit [their website](#), or call them at (608) 637-7396.*

## **Euchre Tournament**

December 3, 2023 1:30 PM - December 3, 2023 4:00 PM

Hosted by Assisted Living. This is a Free Event but you need to Register by Nov 27th by calling Lisa Soller 608-783-1815. Cash Prizes. Everyone Welcome.

## **Cashton Lions Club & Cashton Knights of Columbus Bingo**

December 5, 2023 5:30 PM - December 5, 2023 8:00 PM

Cashton Community Hall

Doors Open at 5:30 – Bingo at 6:30

Food & Beverages Available

## **Vernon County Over 50: Tai Chi Exercise**

December 4, 2023 1:00 PM - December 27, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Bethel Home's Fellowship Hall, Viroqua, and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 at (262) 384-0082.

NOTE: December 27 Tai Chi Exercise will be held at Bethel Home's Front Lobby.

## **Vernon County Over 50: Program**

December 6, 2023 2:15 PM - December 6, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is "Community Conservation, Inc." with Teri Allendorf, Executive Director. This Viroqua organization empowers people to conserve natural resources. At Bethel Home's Fellowship Hall, Viroqua & Zoomed to Ontario, Viola & Readstown Public Libraries. Call Vernon County Over 50 at (262) 384-0082.

## **Ladles of Love**

December 7, 2023 5:00 PM - December 7, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **“The Christmas Offering” Dinner Theater**

December 8, 2023 6:00 PM - December 10, 2023 12:00 PM

Celebrating the greatest gift of all.

Presented by the Tomah Baptist Church Choir.

Schedule of events:

### **DECEMBER 8**

Dinner – 6-7:30PM

Show – 7:30PM

### **DECEMBER 10**

Repeat Performance – 10:30AM

*Cost: Plate \$12, Table of 8 = \$80*

*Menu: Beef Tips, Lemon Pepper Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, Rolls, & Dessert.*

Held at Tomah Baptist Church – 1701 Hollister Ave., Tomah, WI.

For reservations, call TBC at 372-2701 or [register and pay online](#).

## **Breakfast with Santa**

December 9, 2023 8:00 AM - December 9, 2023 11:00 AM

Held at Cataract Essential Services, Inc. – Highway 27, Sparta.

Pancake breakfast. Free will donations accepted.

## **Craft & Vendor Fair**

December 9, 2023 9:00 AM - December 9, 2023 2:00 PM

Held inside Graham Central Station – 417 Fair Street, Tomah, WI. Come check out what local talented crafters have been making!

[Click here](#) for more information.

## **A Place for Angels Fundraising Walk**

December 9, 2023 11:00 AM - December 9, 2023 3:00 PM

Registration beginning at 11AM at the **Legacy Skybox** – 110 Central Ave., Coon Valley. Walk the Veterans Park walking trail as much as you care, then enjoy homemade soup, music and fun afterwards at the Skybox.

Registration is \$25 and will include a “A Place for Angels” hat along with the music. Music provided by the Gibbons family from noon to 3pm. There will be a silent auction, bake sale and soup available for a free will offering. For more information contact Rick Williams at 608-632-2984, Shelly Engh at 608-632-1774, or Linda DeGarmo at 608-769-1919.

## **Tor’s Country Christmas Show**

December 9, 2023 12:00 PM - December 9, 2023 4:00 PM

At the Kendall Community Hall.

Entertainment by Mark Gruenenfelder, Eric Nofsinger, and Stuart Thayer. Also starring Leroy Peterson, Jim Robertson, Kyle Scott, Trent Eness, and others.

Free will donation.

Concessions provided by the Kendall Community Club.

Questions? Call Tor at 606-5297. This is a Tor Eness production.

## **Community Christmas Dinner**

December 9, 2023 4:30 PM - December 9, 2023 7:00 PM

Held at St. John’s Episcopal Church – 322 N. Water Street, Sparta.

Meal consists of meatballs and gravy, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, bread rolls, and dessert.



## **ACTIVITIES**

Take a photo with Saint Nick! (4:30PM-5:30PM)

Christmas Games

Christmas Quiz

Carol Singing Competition w/ Cash Prizes (1st Place \$100, 2nd Place \$50, 3rd Place \$25)

Shop for unique Christmas gifts and delicious cakes and pies!

## **TICKET PRICES**

General Admission – \$15

Kids (6-12) – \$7

Children under 5 – FREE

For ticket reservations and competition entry, please email [stjohnsepiscopalchurch5@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsepiscopalchurch5@gmail.com) or call (608) 269-6103. You can also [purchase tickets online](#).

## **Annual Omelette Breakfast Fundraiser**

December 10, 2023 8:00 AM - December 10, 2023 11:00 AM

Held at the Sparta American Legion – 1116 Angelo Road, Sparta.

Held every second Sunday of the month through April 2024. Money raised will help with Sparta American Legion Auxiliary programs in support of veterans, youth, and the community.

## **Vernon County Over 50: Tai Chi Exercise**

December 11, 2023 1:00 PM - December 27, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Bethel Home's Fellowship Hall, Viroqua, and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 at (262) 384-0082.

NOTE: December 27 Tai Chi Exercise will be held at Bethel Home's Front Lobby.

## **Vernon County Over 50: Program**

December 13, 2023 2:15 PM - December 13, 2023 3:00 PM

Program is "Mindfulness Practice" by Tom Roepke. Come take a minute to learn for a lifetime to master at Bethel Home's Fellowship Hall in Viroqua & Zoomed to Viola, Readstown & Ontario Public Libraries. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

## **5th Annual Holiday Remembrance Program**

December 13, 2023 6:00 PM - December 13, 2023 8:00 PM

At the Torkelson Funeral Home – 2224 Superior Avenue, Tomah.

Join for a service filled with live music, words of comfort, and a remembrance video honoring those that we have lost. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served afterwards.

**\*\*This event will also be Facebook live streamed for those not able to attend\*\***

More information on the [Torkelson Funeral Home Facebook page](#).

## **Ladles of Love**

December 14, 2023 5:00 PM - December 14, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **Cashton Lions Club & Cashton Knights of Columbus Bingo**

December 19, 2023 5:30 PM - December 19, 2023 8:00 PM

Cashton Community Hall

Doors Open at 5:30 – Bingo at 6:30

Food & Beverages Available

## **Vernon County Over 50: Tai Chi Exercise**

December 18, 2023 1:00 PM - December 27, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Bethel Home's Fellowship Hall, Viroqua, and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 at (262) 384-0082.

NOTE: December 27 Tai Chi Exercise will be held at Bethel Home's Front Lobby.

## **Job Fair**

December 20, 2023 2:00 PM - December 20, 2023 4:30 PM

Held at the Monroe County Assembly Room (Use human services entrance on Oak St.) in Sparta.

Employers from multiple industries will participate.

Free and open to the public.

Hosted by Monroe County Child Support Agency. Call (608) 269-8014 for more information.

Employers wishing to take part in the job fair can contact:

Wendy Swenson: (608) 269-8014, email [Wendy.Swenson@co.monroe.wi.us](mailto:Wendy.Swenson@co.monroe.wi.us)

or Nicole Jacobs: (608) 269-8980, email [Nicole.Jacobs@co.monroe.wi.us](mailto:Nicole.Jacobs@co.monroe.wi.us)

## **Vernon County Over 50 Holiday Party**

December 20, 2023 2:00 PM - December 20, 2023 3:00 PM

Holiday Party at Bethel Home's Fellowship Hall. Wear your Xmas garb & bring a White Elephant gift to share. Call Vernon County Over 50 262-384-0082.

## **Ladles of Love**

December 21, 2023 5:00 PM - December 21, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).

## **Sparta Community Christmas Dinner**

December 25, 2023 11:00 AM - December 25, 2023 2:00 PM

Sponsored by: Sparta American Legion Post #100 – 116 Angelo Road, Sparta.

Meal is FREE, donations accepted and appreciated. Proceeds from the event will be returned back to the community through local charities.

Reservations for five or more people requested.

Home deliveries available to homebound individuals. Call the Sparta American Legion 269-4411. Delivered approximately 10:45am-12pm.

Menu: Turkey, Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Yams, Dressing, Vegetables, Cranberries, Dinner Roll, Pumpkin Pie, and Other Assorted Dessert.

For more information, call the American Legion at (608) 269-4411.

## **Vernon County Over 50: Tai Chi Exercise**

December 25, 2023 1:00 PM - December 27, 2023 1:45 PM

Held every Monday and Wednesday from 1PM-1:45PM at Bethel Home's Fellowship Hall, Viroqua, and the Ontario Public Library. Call Vernon County Over 50 at (262) 384-0082.

NOTE: December 27 Tai Chi Exercise will be held at Bethel Home's Front Lobby.

## **Ladles of Love**

December 28, 2023 5:00 PM - December 28, 2023 7:00 PM

This event recurs weekly

A community meal held each Thursday evening from 5pm-7pm. The meals are held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 North Water Street, Sparta, WI.

All are welcome!

More information can be found on the [Ladles of Love Facebook page](#).