

# WARRENS CRANBERRY FESTIVAL

# THE CRANFEST SCOOP



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## Letter from the President

Hi folks!

I don't know about you, but I'm enjoying this warmer weather. We went for quite a while without even seeing the sun in January. Although, I am sorry for the snowmobile clubs that put in so much effort to get ready for the winter riding and didn't get much of it this year. There's still time before winter leaves and my favorite season of spring unfolds in all it's glory.

**Hopefully, spring will have really started showing up when we have our first official Warrens Cranberry Festival Membership meeting on April 8<sup>th</sup>. I hope that everyone can join us.** It's always a good time and it falls during Volunteer appreciation month. I've heard there are some special things going on that night.

I'm looking forward to this year's festival. It's only 232 days away!!!

Deanna

Yours Truly,

*Deanna Donaldson*

President



Sign up for 2024 Warrens  
Cranberry Festival Membership!

**Warrens Cranberry Festival  
Membership Application  
January 2024 - December 2024**



Please print

\_\_\_\_\_ New Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Renewal

Annual Membership Fee \$5.00

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
(We will not share your email)

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

Committees you are involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in volunteering? Tell us where you'd like to volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter: Email (monthly) \_\_\_\_\_ or Postal (quarterly) \_\_\_\_\_

Other communications: Email \_\_\_\_\_ Postal \_\_\_\_\_

Date membership paid \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your interest in joining the Warrens Cranberry Festival. Festival memberships run from January 2024 through December 2024.

Membership dues are \$5.00 annually.

In 2024 the festival membership will meet once a month from April through November, the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the Festival Office at:

PO Box 146

Warrens, WI 54666

Phone: 608-378-4200

Fax: 608-378-4250

E-mail: [cranfest@cranfest.com](mailto:cranfest@cranfest.com)

Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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# FESTIVAL MEMBERSHIP

## 2024 Warrens Cranberry Festival Members

Jack Abbott  
Jeri Betthauser  
Black River Area Chamber  
Jeanne Butzer  
Jeff Butzer  
Mary Clark  
Rebecca Clark  
Bonnie Dana  
Karen Doers  
Deanna Donaldson  
Jacob Donaldson  
Jessalyn Donaldson  
Will Donaldson  
Chelsie Engelson  
Deb Frost  
Amy Gebhardt  
Mike Gnewikow

Tonya Gnewikow  
Carolyn Habelman  
Jensen Cranberry Bogs, Inc.  
Alex Knoepker  
Brian Knoepker  
Stephanie Knoepker  
Aleda Moseley  
Grant Moseley  
Rebecca Moseley  
Sara Moseley  
Danita Murdock  
Randy Murdock  
Vicki Myer  
Sandy Nemitz  
Kyra Neumann  
Dave Oakes  
Dottie Oakes

Karen Pierce  
Debbie Popp  
Tom Popp  
Cara Potter  
Gina Potter  
June Potter  
Todd Potter  
Jessica Reeves  
Mickey Rezin  
Jill Rutlin  
Jody Schiel  
Shana Steele  
Tomah Chamber & Visitor Cntr.  
Jenna Van Wychen  
Jim Van Wychen  
Nodji Van Wychen



### Sign Up & Join!

Join or renew your 2024  
Warrens Cranberry Festival  
Membership for only \$5

Memberships run Jan to Dec

*2024 Membership Form is available on page 2*

## FESTIVAL NEWS:

**The Warrens Cranberry Festival will not be holding monthly meetings for February or March. The next meeting is April 8, 2024 at 6 p.m., we hope you can join us!**

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## **2024 Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc. Scholarship Applications are now available.**

The Warrens Cranberry Festival is announcing that it is accepting applications for four available scholarships through March 10, 2024. Students selected for the Festival scholarships receive \$500 toward their higher education.

The Warrens Cranberry Festival Scholarships are available to Residents of the Tomah Area School District or Alumni. The Festival selects four recipients based on academic ability and achievement, financial need, persistence, service to others, and leadership.

The Warrens Cranberry Festival Scholarships are designed to help cover students' education expenses, tuition, books, or required fees.

Applicants may go to the Tomah School District website for an application or contact the Festival office at 608-378-4200 or email [cranfest@cranfest.com](mailto:cranfest@cranfest.com). Applicants must supply information such as GPA earned, school attending or accepted to and a 300 word essay. The application is also available on the Festival website at [www.cranfest.com](http://www.cranfest.com)

Since 1973, the Warrens Cranberry Festival has awarded over \$130,000 in scholarship funding to Tomah Area School students. The Royalty chosen each year to represent the Festival also receive a scholarship upon completing a successful reign.



# SCHOLARSHIPS

## Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc. Scholarship Application 2024

The Warrens Cranberry festival, Inc. will award a total of Four scholarships in the amount of \$500 each. Preference will be extended to Warrens Wisconsin residents.

**Eligibility:**

1. Resident of the Tomah Area School District or Alumni
2. Statement of why you should be awarded this scholarship
3. Deadline for Submission – Must be received no later than March 10, 2024.
4. Send photo to [cranfest@cranfest.com](mailto:cranfest@cranfest.com) for press release.

**Applicant Profile:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**High School Attended:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates of attendance:** **From:** \_\_\_\_\_ **To:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GPA Earned:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/University attending or accepted to following High School graduation:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Please respond to the following question in 300 words or less:**

“What is your goal and how will this scholarship help you in accomplishing your goal?”

**Provide the name and phone number of 3 references:**

1. Name:	_____	Phone Number:	_____
2. Name:	_____	Phone Number:	_____
3. Name:	_____	Phone Number:	_____

**Applications for this scholarship must be submitted to:**

Warrens Cranberry Festival Scholarships  
Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc.  
P.O. Box 146, 402 Pine Street  
Warrens WI 54666 Phone 608/378-4200

## Calendar of Events

### What's around the corner...and beyond!

#### February 2024

14 – Warrens Community Meal  
Lions Log Building - 4:00-6:00 p.m.

14 – Valentine's Day

19 – President's Day

**\*\*Note No Festival Meeting in February**



#### March 2024

10—Daylight Savings Time Begins

17— St. Patrick's Day

19—First Day of Spring

23 – Warrens Community Easter Breakfast  
Lions Log Building 8 –10:00 a.m.

31– Easter Sunday

**\*\*Note No Festival Meeting in March**



#### April 2024

1 – April Fools Day

8 – Festival Monthly Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Festival Office

10 – Warrens Community Meal  
Lions Log Building - 4:00-6:00 p.m.

22 – Earth Day

25-27 - Warrens Village Wide Garage Sale



## Cranberry Festival Merchandise For Sale:

T-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, hats, tote bags, prints, buttons, glasses, cookbooks and so much more!

*Items can be purchased at the Warrens Cranberry Festival Office,  
call or stop by...608-378-4200  
402 Pine Street, Warrens.*

## Did You Know?

(Source: webmd.com)

### February is American Heart Month

Cranberries could reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease. Cranberries have two big benefits for heart health: lowering blood pressure and improving cholesterol. Some studies suggest that drinking low-calorie cranberry juice regularly can raise HDL (good) cholesterol and lower LDL (bad) cholesterol.





## ROYALTY NEWS :

### Warrens Cranberry Festival Royalty

Royal greetings!

We attended the 101st annual Westby Ski Jump on February 3rd. Before the event started all the visiting royalty were introduced to the crowd. It was awesome watching the skiers take off down the hill and soar through the air before landing at the bottom of the jump. The weather was sunny and the air was filled with excitement watching to see which jumper would land the farthest down the hill.

Our upcoming schedule is a little quieter until we get into our busy parade season this summer.

We are honored to represent the Warrens Cranberry Festival!

Yours truly,

***2023-2024 Warrens Cranberry Festival Royalty  
Queen: Annabelle Haun, Princess: Skylee  
Laakso, and Jr. Miss: Kiralynn Lakowske***



## CRANBERRY CUISINE:

### Recipe Inspired by the Cranberry! Bon Appétit!

### Spicy Cranberry Chicken Drummettes

Source: Ocean Spray®  
Makes 10 servings

#### Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup Ocean Spray® Jellied Cranberry Sauce
- 2 tablespoons hot pepper sauce
- 1 tablespoon chili sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 20 chicken drummettes, about 2 pounds

#### Directions:

Combine all ingredients, except drummettes, in large resealable plastic bag; mix well. Add drummettes. Seal; turn bag to coat chicken. Refrigerate at least 1 hour or overnight.

Preheat oven to 400°F. Pour chicken and marinade in ungreased 13 x 9-inch baking dish. Bake 40 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink near bone, turning 2 or 3 times and brushing with marinade. Transfer chicken pieces to serving dish; discard any remaining marinade.

