

# WARRENS CRANBERRY FESTIVAL

# THE CRANFEST SCOOP



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Hi!

*As I write this it's only 128 days until the 50<sup>th</sup> annual Warrens Cranberry Festival. I am looking forward to this year's festival. It's so much fun watching all of the pieces of this huge puzzle we call the festival be planned. So many different people working on different areas (pieces), but in the end it all comes together just perfectly. I'm so proud of our office staff (Kim and Debbie) and all our volunteers.*

*This year the excitement is building as we plan the special events that will happen as we celebrate our anniversary. Along with a visit from Miss America we are planning a royalty reunion, some old-fashioned games that we used to have years ago, special guests visiting, a recipe contest and so much more. I hope that you will join us as we all work together to make this the very best Festival yet!*

*Even if you cannot join us prior to the festival, please join us for the festival itself. Come out and celebrate with us, at what I think is the best festival in the world.*

*Have a great summer folks!*

*Deanna*  
President



*The purpose of the Warrens Cranberry Festival shall be to promote the common good and general welfare of the community of Warrens, including holding an annual community festival and raising funds to be used exclusively for civic betterments and social improvements in the Warrens community.*

# 2023 Warrens Cranberry Festival Scholarship Awards



Each year, the Festival awards scholarships to local students to help them achieve their higher educational goals. The awards were presented to four individuals on May 8, 2023, at Tomah High School.

## This year's scholarship recipients are:

**Baylee Jewell** of *Tomah, WI*, was awarded a \$500 Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc., Scholarship and is pursuing a degree at the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology—Rapid City.

**Brin Neumann**, of *Warrens WI*, was awarded a \$500 Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc., Scholarship and is pursuing a degree in Teaching or Library Science at the University of Wisconsin Parkside—Somers.

**Lauren Noth**, of *Warrens, WI*, was awarded a \$500 Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc. Scholarship and is pursuing a degree in Animal Science or Exercise & Sports Science at the University of Wisconsin—River Falls.

**Reid Spolum** of *Tomah, WI*, was awarded a \$500 Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc., Scholarship and is pursuing a degree in Business Finance at the University of Wisconsin—Whitewater.

Congratulations to all of these worthy students and good luck in your future endeavors!



*Baylee*



*Brin*



*Lauren*



*Reid*



## 2023 Contest Rules Available

### Button Design Contest:

Design the 2024 Warrens Cranberry Festival Button. The winning design will be unveiled Sunday, at this year's Festival, near the parade reviewing stand on Main Street, in Warrens. Design the button for next year's 51st Festival.

Designs must be round 6" in diameter, submitted on 8 1/2 x 11" white paper, no more than four colors and please do not use black for background. All entries must include the date: September 27-29, 2024, place: Warrens, WI, name: Warrens Cranberry Festival, and year of the 51st Warrens Cranberry Festival. The designs must pertain to cranberries. Block lettering is preferred, no cursive or calligraphy.

Entries can be hand-drawn or computer generated. Contest rules and entry information can be found on our website at [www.cranfest.com](http://www.cranfest.com), or please call or email our office for a set of rules. **Deadline for entries is June 1, 2023.**

Winners will be notified as soon as possible after the judging. All entries will be selected and judged by the Cranberry Festival membership and board.

Contest prizes: Adult - 1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$100.00 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$75.00  
Youth - 1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$50.00 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$25.00

### Recipe Contest:

The Warrens Cranberry Festival's Recipe Contest is open to all, adults and youth. New and imaginative uses of cranberries are encouraged. The source should be included with the recipe submitted. Recipes may contain fresh, frozen, or processed cranberries. Contestants may submit maximum of two recipes in each category. Best cookie will receive special "Top Cookie" award and be featured at the 50th Warrens Cranberry Festival.



Judging takes place on Monday, June 19, 2023, at 6 p.m. Bring finished product to the Warrens Cranberry Festival Office (402 Pine Street, Warrens), between 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. on Monday June 19, 2023.

Entry forms and rules are available on our website, [www.cranfest.com](http://www.cranfest.com). **Entries must be received by May 31, 2023** to qualify. If you have questions call 608-378-4200. *Contest sponsored by Moseley Roadside Market & Kitchen Craft.*

### Photography Contest:

The Warrens Cranberry Festival's Photography Contest is open to all. Adults and youth 18 or younger may enter any of the categories below. Youth will be judged separately from the adult entrees.



Classes for this year's contest include:

- ***Favorite Festival Fotos*** — This year we're celebrating the 50th annual Warrens Cranberry Festival, so we're looking for your favorite Festival photos from over the years. Dig out your photos of you and your friends enjoying past Warrens Cranberry Festivals, shots of our vendors and their wares, cranberry marsh tours, the Sunday parade, etc. NOTE: Photos of Cranberry Festival Royalty should be entered in Cranfest Royalty.
- ***Cranfest Royalty*** — Photos of one or more of the Warrens Cranberry Festival Royalty from any year performing their duties as queen or princesses.
- ***Marsh Madness*** — Photos featuring any season of the year on a Wisconsin cranberry marsh.
- ***Marsh Flora & Fauna*** — Photos of wildlife, wildflowers and other natural elements found in marsh country.
- ***Enjoying Outdoor Warrens*** — Photos showing the recreational activities available in the Warrens area, including fishing or hunting, ATV riding, local campgrounds, etc.

**Deadline for photography contest is Sept. 1, 2023.** Complete contest rules and details are posted on the Warrens Cranberry Festival website at [www.cranfest.com](http://www.cranfest.com).

# FESTIVAL MEMBERSHIP

## 2023 Warrens Cranberry Festival Members

Debbie Bauer  
Jeri Betthausen  
Jeanne Butzer  
Jeff Butzer  
Mary Clark  
Cody Copper  
Bonnie Dana  
Robert Dana  
Karen Doers  
Deanna Donaldson  
Jacob Donaldson  
Jessalyn Donaldson  
Will Donaldson  
Chelsie Engelson  
Lorry Erickson  
Shae Fox  
Deb Frost  
Amy Gebhardt  
Mike Gnewikow  
Tonya Gnewikow  
Carolyn Habelman  
David Hall  
Jacquelyn Hancock  
Jensen Cranberry Bogs, Inc.  
Alex Knoepker  
Brian Knoepker  
Stephanie Knoepker  
Amy Krultz  
Jason Krultz  
Dorna Mae Miller

Summer Minney  
Aleda Moseley  
Grant Moseley  
Rebecca Moseley  
Sara Moseley  
Danita Murdock  
Randy Murdock  
Curt Myer  
Vicki Myer  
Carol Myers  
Sandy Nemitz  
Vicki Nemitz  
Kyra Neumann  
Dave Oakes  
Dottie Oakes  
Jack O'Connor  
Roxie O'Connor  
Karen Pierce  
Zan Pierce  
Debbie Popp  
Tom Popp  
Gina Potter  
June Potter  
Todd Potter  
Mickey Rezin  
Barth Robinette  
Jill Rutlin  
Lisa Scheitler  
Jody Schiel  
Dale Schroeder

Kim Schroeder  
Shana Steele  
Gale Sutherland  
Jenna Van Wychen  
Jim Van Wychen  
Nodji Van Wychen



## Sign Up & Join!

Join or renew your 2023 Warrens Cranberry Festival Membership for only \$5. Memberships run Jan to Dec.

# 2023 Parade

*The Warrens Cranberry Festival Board & Committee cordially invites you to participate in our 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Warrens Cranberry Festival Parade.*

Parade entry forms are available now. The Parade starts at 1pm Sunday, September 24, 2023. The parade features 12 categories of entry, including Veterans Organizations, Commercial, Classic Cars/Classic Trucks, Clubs & Organizations, Community Service Organizations, Horses, Tractors, Royalty, Automobiles/Trucks, Bands & Drill Teams, Novelty, and Specialty. Entry Fee for Commercial units is \$100. The Novelty category offers cash prizes for uniquely decorated and creative units and accepts youth and adult entries, free of charge.

Entry forms can be found on our website, [www.cranfest.com](http://www.cranfest.com), or call 608-378-4200 or by email [office@cranfest.com](mailto:office@cranfest.com).

Be sure to mail in an entry form and join us on Sunday, September 24, 2023. The parade starts promptly at 1pm. **Deadline for entries is August 25, 2023.**



## Calendar of Events

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

#### May 2023

29 – **Memorial Day** (*Cranfest office closed*)  
**Memorial Day Services:**  
 Warren Mills Cemetery Program 11 a.m.  
 Pine Grove Cemetery Program  
 Lions serving BBQ Chicken at Log Building  
 11a.m. to 1p.m.



#### June 2023

12 – **Festival Monthly Meeting**  
 6:00 p.m., Festival Office  
 14 – **Warrens Community Meal**  
 Lions Log Building - 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
**Flag Day**  
 18 – **Father's Day**  
 21 – **First Day of Summer**  
 22-24 **Tomah Tractor Pull**  
*Tomah Fairgrounds*  
 24 - **Cranberry Blossom Day**  
*Wetherby Marsh*



#### July 2023

3 – **Warrens Fireworks**  
*Fireworks at 9:30 p.m.*  
 4 - **Independence Day**  
**\*\*Festival Office Closed**  
 10 – **Festival Monthly Meeting**  
 6:00 p.m., Festival Office  
 26- 30 – **Monroe County Fair**  
*Tomah Fairgrounds*



## 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: Wikipedia)

Cranberry sauce was first offered to consumers in North America in 1912 in Hanson, Massachusetts. Canned cranberry sauce appeared on the market in 1941, allowing the product to be sold year-round.



# Beautification of Warrens

## Sponsored by The Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc.

In appreciation and recognition of the donated use of your Warrens property during the annual Festival we are donating up to \$100 per property. This is available to property owners within the Festival Area of the Village, to be used to help offset the cost of exterior beautification of their property. This is our 50th celebration this year and the dates for the Festival will be September 22-24, 2023.

The money may be used for any of the following:

- Landscaping improvements
- Fire/House number plaques
- Enclosed garbage/propane tank areas
- Paint/siding
- Shutters
- Roofs

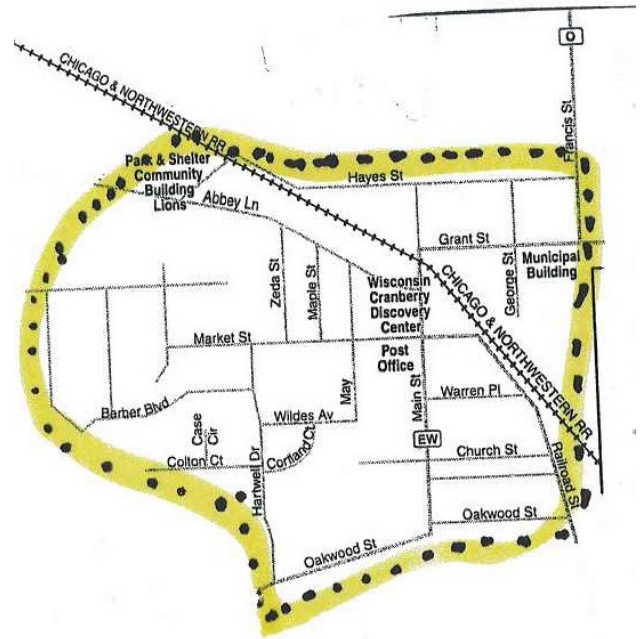
*Note: These are only suggestions*

Every property owner, (including primary owners, rental units and businesses) in the \*Festival defined area of the Village of Warrens may obtain these funds by bringing copies of the receipts, before **September 1, 2023** to the Cranberry Festival Office. You will then be reimbursed for cost of the materials or items, excluding labor, after approval.

If you are the owner of more than one piece of property, you may receive the money for each property you own as long as the money is used on each property. For example, if you own two properties you are eligible for \$100 per property (\$200), but the money must be used on each property. You cannot use \$200 on one property and nothing on the other.

**\*Festival defined area of the Village of Warrens: The Festival area is further defined from Hayes Street to Oakwood Street, to the Warren Mill Cemetery, to Universal Forest Products, RR Street, to Gamble street to the corner of County O & EW on the NE Corner of the Village.**

Please use the form below when you turn your receipts into the Festival Office. Thank you for your continued support of the Festival.



### VILLAGE OF WARRENS BEAUTIFICATION GRANT

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Property Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

What was the grant used for to improve your property? \_\_\_\_\_

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