

WARRENS CRANBERRY FESTIVAL THE CRANFEST SCOOP



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2023 Parade

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The Warrens Cranberry Festival invites you to participate in our 50th Annual Warrens Cranberry Festival Parade.

The Parade starts at 1pm Sunday, September 24, 2023. We are offering Free Parade Entries to everyone this year, including Commercial units. The Novelty category offers cash prizes for uniquely decorated and creative units and accepts youth and adult entries. Show your support by joining us to make it the biggest and best parade, as we celebrate "50 Years of Tradition".

Entry forms can be found on our website, www.cranfest.com, or contact our office 608-378-4200, email: office@cranfest.com. **Deadline for entries is August 25, 2023.**



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.

ROYALTY NEWS :

Warrens Cranberry Festival Royalty

Royal greetings!

We are excited to share all our latest events. We attended the Westby Syttende Mai Royalty Tea and Parade on May 21st. We mingled with the other royalty and had a group picture taken before the parade. The weather was warm and sunny, we had a great time celebrating at the Norwegian festival.

On May 28th we headed to Arcadia for Broiler Dairy Days. We attended the Queens Tea and exchanged buttons with the other royalty. It was hot and sunny so we used our parasols while waving to everyone along the parade route.

On May 29th we attended the Warren-Mills Cemetery Memorial Day service. We passed out programs and placed flowers at the base of each of the large military flags. We enjoyed chicken at the Lions Log Building for lunch. We made our way over to the Pine Grove Cemetery where we each took part in the ceremony by reading a poem. We had a great day honoring the fallen.

On June 3rd it was a busy day. We went to the Monroe County Dairy Breakfast on the Mapltwin Farms by Cashton in the morning. We enjoyed a delicious breakfast and mingled with people while exploring the farm. After the Dairy Breakfast we headed to West Salem for West Salem June Dairy Days Parade. We enjoyed waving and smiling at all the little children and adults along the parade route. In the evening we attended the Miss Sparta Pageant. We did introductions on stage and watched the crowning of the new royalty. We congratulated the winners and took a group photo with all the royalty.

On June 11th we attended the Sparta Butterfest Parade. It was a cold and windy day but we put on our smiles and waved to all the parade viewers. After the parade we walked around the fest grounds and enjoyed eating some of the fest food.

On June 18th we attended Cranberry Blossom Festival in Wisconsin Rapids. It was a cloudy but nice 78° day for a parade. We found our spot and got the float all set up. We had a great time waving and smiling at all the visitors at the festival.

We are excited for all the events to come and are honored to represent the Warrens Cranberry Festival!
Yours truly,

2022-2023 Warrens Cranberry Festival Royalty
Queen: Kendall Murdock
Princesses: Makenna Roose and Abigail Beck





Memorial Day

Princess Makenna, Queen Kendall, and Princess Abigail



Dairy Breakfast

Princess Abigail, Queen Kendall, and Princess Makenna with Gundersen AIR helicopter pilot.



FESTIVAL NEWS:

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.

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
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Jacquelyn Hancock
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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 Wyche
Jim Van Wyche
Nodji Van Wyche



Sign Up & Join!

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

CRANBERRY CUISINE:

Recipe Inspired by the Cranberry! Bon Appétit!

Cranberry Lemon Bars

Source: Home Cooked Harvest

Ingredients:

Cranberry Layer

- 8 ounces fresh cranberries or frozen not thawed
- 1/2 cup water
- 6 tablespoons granulated sugar

Shortbread Crust

- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter melted
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup + 1 tablespoon all purpose flour

Lemon Layer

- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons all purpose flour
- 3 large eggs
- 1/2 cup lemon juice fresh, about 3 lemons
- optional powdered sugar sprinkled on top



Directions:

1. Rinse and pick through the cranberries. Discard any that look bad or squishy.
2. In a medium saucepan, add in cranberries, water, and 6 tablespoons granulated sugar. Bring cranberry mixture up to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to medium low and cover with a splatter screen. Stir occasionally at first and then constantly to keep from burning. Simmer for 10-15 minutes until all of the cranberries are broken down. Set aside to cool for at least 30 minutes.
3. Preheat oven to 325°F. Line a 9-inch square baking dish with parchment paper, leave a little overhang to easily remove bars.
4. In a medium bowl, combine together melted butter, vanilla, 1/4 cup granulated sugar, and salt. Once combined mix in 1 cup plus 1 tablespoon of flour. Press the thick dough firmly into the prepared pan in an even layer.
5. Bake for 16-18 minutes until lightly browned. Remove the crust from the oven and poke all over with a fork. Turn off oven. Let the crust cool for about 20 minutes.
6. While crust is cooling, in a medium bowl combine together 3 tablespoons of flour and 1 cup of granulated sugar. Whisk in eggs and then add lemon juice. Set aside.
7. Once crust is cool, pour the cooled cranberry filling over the crust. Place in the refrigerator for 30 minutes.
8. Preheat oven to 350°F. Pull the cranberry crust out of fridge. Pour the lemon layer on top. Bake for 43-45 minutes until the center is set and doesn't jiggle. Cool on wire rack in baking pan at room temperature for 1 hour, then put in the fridge for 1-2 hours.
9. To serve, lift the parchment out of the pan and place on cutting board. Dust with powdered sugar and cut into squares. For clean slices, wipe the knife off between cuts.

Calendar of Events

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

July 2023

3 – Warrens Fireworks

Fireworks at Dusk

4 - Independence Day

****Festival Office Closed**

10 – Festival Monthly Meeting

6:00 p.m., Festival Office

26- 30 – Monroe County Fair

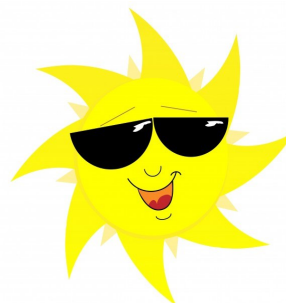
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August 2023

14 – Festival Monthly Meeting

6:00 p.m., Festival Office



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)

Cranberries are high in antioxidants. A study found that out of 20 common fruits, cranberries have the highest level of phenols, a type of antioxidant. (Red grapes were a distant second.)



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

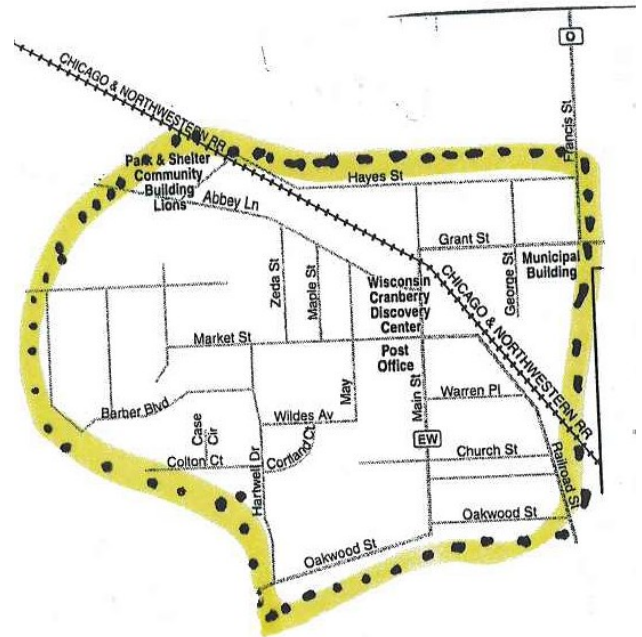
Note: These are only suggestions

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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2023 Festival: September 22-24

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