

**\*For the betterment of the community and a bright future for the library\***

# About Woodward

## October, 2023

### **SOCIAL CENTER LUNCHEON**

**\*Note that the luncheon is being held on the second Monday in October.**

**WHEN: OCTOBER 9, 11:30 - 12:30**

**WHERE: Woodward Social Center**

**MENU: Beef Burgers, Cheesy Potatoes, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, and Dessert**

**Free will offering**

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### **THANK YOU**

**The Friends of the Public Library Foundation Board sponsored the Labor Day Luncheon. A thank you goes out to the community for your generosity. The free will offering generated \$627 and it will be used to support youth programs at the Woodward Public Library. A special thank you goes to Tyson Meats in Perry for donating the pulled pork meat.**

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### **WHAT'S THE STORY?**

**In 1984 there were four churches in Woodward: Assembly of God, Christian, Catholic, and Methodist. Those four churches worked together to form a non-profit fund which would operate through donations. The fund was intended to provide money for food in emergency situations.**

**The criteria for receiving money included purchasing through our local grocery store. A board of 3-4 people received requests and granted money according to the established criteria.**

**Over time the standards were changed by the Board according to the world around us, which meant that COVID year saw an increase in the use of this "food pantry" along with increased donations.**

**With the coming closing of AJ's, the local grocery store, the fund has been dissolved. The money left has been split between the two churches in town to purchase food for the newer form of Woodward's food pantry, food boxes.**

**There are 3 of these boxes in town, one by the Christian Church, another by the Methodist Church, and one sponsored by Lion's Club located by Centennial Park. Thank you to all who continue to fill these boxes with staples that will help individuals and families cope with the rising cost of food.**

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Eat Greater Des Moines is an organization that has been bringing food to Woodward and surrounding areas (Dallas, Polk, and Warren Counties) on a regular basis with the belief that food is a basic need in all of our lives, connecting by sharing food. There has been a temporary hold on the deliveries with plans to resume soon.

If you would be interested in volunteering to help develop a vision of outreach, providing food for our neighbors in our community and the tasks that will help us achieve that vision, come to a get-together at the Woodward Social Center on **Wednesday, October 18 at 5:30.**

**What can we do as a community to continue this journey of outreach and understanding when someone is in need?**

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## **BINGO**

Lions Club will be hosting a night of bingo at the Social Center on **Tuesday, October 10th** with a meal at 6PM and bingo starting at 6:30.

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## **CELEBRATE HARVEST**

On **Saturday, October 14th from 11AM to 2PM** Peoples Guys and Gals 4H Club will be serving grilled hamburger sack lunches for their yearly fundraiser at Heartland Coop.

## **MISSION PROJECT FUNDRAISER**

Enjoy a Smoked Pork Loin evening meal at the Christian Church on **Friday, October 20th** from 5PM to 6:30.

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## **FROM THE CITY**

### **OPEN BURNING**

Open burning will be permitted in Woodward on two weekends in October from 9AM-3PM.  
**October 21 & 22**  
**October 28 & 29**

### **HALLOWEEN**

Enjoy Trick or Treat Night in Woodward on Halloween this year, **Tuesday, October 31.**

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## **FROM THE LIBRARY**

Story time schedule for October 10AM

**October 2**      **Giraffes**

**October 9**      **Acorns**

**October 16**      **Corn**

**October 23**      **Owls**

**October 30**      **Pumpkins**

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**Wednesday Early Outs Continue for our Elementary students.**

**Saturday, October 14 10AM**

**Kathy Wilson / A Place for Escape**

**WANTED: YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR, 15 HOURS A WEEK**

**MANY FANTASTIC MATERIALS TO USE**

**APPLY AT THE LIBRARY**

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## **SCHOOL**

**The high school /middle school activities calendar is attached.**

**Information on the Bond Referendum that you will be voting on is attached to the paper copy also. Be informed before you vote.**

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## **VCSWG**

**Volunteer Community Services of Woodward Granger**

**Neighbors helping neighbors**

**Clients get signed up before you need help. Papers are at the library.**

## **SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES**

**SOCIAL HOUR STYLE on MAIN ST.  
New styles advertised.**

**WHISTLIN' DONKEY.  
Check their daily specials.**

**CAYANNE'S. Salad bar and specials.  
Great pizza!**

**HOME DOCTOR. Unique gift ideas and home designs.**

**LAKE ROBBINS 26726 150TH ST. Great variety of dances on Saturdays and Sundays. Check out their website.**

**PICKET FENCE CREAMERY 14583 S AVE. Local family business. Milk, cheese, ice cream, plus products from 60 other local families.**

**JOE'S BARBER SHOP. Contact Joseph Skalicky 515-401-2201. WALK-INS ONLY 124 S. Main St.**

**Businesses, we would like to put a few lines about all of our local businesses. Contact Kathy Yager.  
Text: 515-240-7476.**