



CHAMBER CHATTER

AUGUST 2021

NEWSLETTER

Save The Date

TOMAH
Chamber & Visitor Center
A GROWING COMMUNITY SINCE 1853

OUTDOOR MARKET *Night*

No Place Like Home For The Holidays

October 21 | 4:30-7:30 PM

Recreation Park | 1625 Butts Ave, Tomah

Holiday gift ideas, food, music, and friends! Stay tuned for more information!

Shop TOMAH Crazy Daze

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7TH | 7 AM

**TOMAH FIRE DEPARTMENT
SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

AUGUST 28, 2021

PARADE - 11:00 AM
FIRE TRUCK/EQUIPMENT SHOW - 1:00 PM
LIVE MUSIC - 2:00 PM - 11:30 PM

Follow the Tomah Fire Department on Facebook for more details on the Sesquicentennial Celebration.

CONNECT WITH THE CHAMBER



Happy Chamber-versary!

JULY 2021 MEMBER RENEWALS

The businesses and organizations below represent
643 years of membership with the Chamber.

Thank you for your trust in our work and
partnering with us to strengthen our community.

Alliant Energy, 36 years	Marco's Italian & American Grill, 2 years
Best Western Tomah Hotel, 42 years	McDonald's, 36 years
Cardinal IG, 33 years	Oakdale Credit Union, 37 years
City of Tomah, 26 years	Patriot Properties, 2 years
CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, 42 years	Ray Olsen Construction LLC, 21 years
Compass Learning Center, 1 year	Sonnenburg Family Funeral Home, 31 years
Culligan Water Treatment, 37 years	Stars Boutique, 15 years
Dependable Title of Wisconsin, 14 years	Three Bears Resort, 11 years
Don's Plumbing Service, Inc., 37 years	Tomah Journal, 42 years
Dunkin' Donuts, 7 years	Tomah Property Management, 9 years
Evans Print, 13 years	Village of Oakdale, 13 years
Handishop Industries, 19 years	Warrens Cranberry Festival, Inc., 35 years
Hometown Real Estate, LLC, 11 years	Wieser Brothers General Contractor, Inc., 5 years
Johnson Litho Graphics of Eau Claire, 20 years	Wilton Bus Service, LLC, 12 years
Lebakkens Rent-To-Own, 28 years	Wisconsin Transit Co., Inc., 6 years

Chamber membership is open to all area businesses and organizations who want to promote their business, increase their visibility, strengthen our community, or simply just to support our scope of work.

Opportunities Await...Join Us!

Your Leadership Team

Our Chamber and CVB Boards are comprised of community members who are nominated and voted to serve and support the Tomah Chamber & Visitors Center organization.

CHAMBER BOARD

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Chair: Jeremy Haldeman, American Family Insurance
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CHAMBER EVENTS

NATIONAL MUSICIANS

FREE ADMISSION

KIDS ZONE

FOOD VENDORS

BEER



2021 CONCERT DATES
6-9 PM



JULY 1



CASEY MUESSIGMANN

JULY 8



MICKEY UTLEY BAND

JULY 15



DEVON WORLEY BAND

JULY 29



SOCA JUKEBOX

AUGUST 5



JOEY LEONE'S CHOP SHOP

AUGUST 12



CHERRY PIE

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Thank you to all of our sponsors! This event would not take place without great partnerships, support, and collaboration.



CHAMBER EVENTS

Annual Golf Outing Highlights

Thank you to all who participated in our 36th annual "No Place Like Home - Wizard of Oz" themed golf outing - sponsors, volunteers, and prize/goodie bag donors! More photos can be found on the Tomah Chamber & Visitors Center Facebook page [HERE](#).



CHAMBER EVENTS

Business After 5 at the Monroe County Fair Highlights

A great time was had at the Business After 5 at the Monroe County Fair on Wednesday, July 21st. More photos can be found on the Tomah Chamber & Visitors Center Facebook page [HERE](#).



AUGUST EVENTS

AUGUST 1-7

2-5 | Annual Backpack Giveaway - BeMobile

222 Buan St., Suite A, Tomah

The BeMobile Tomah location is holding its 8th annual backpack giveaway for kids. Stop in if your kiddos are in need!



3 | Legal Considerations: Starting and Growing Your Business Lunch & Learn at UW-La Crosse (UWL)



11:30 am - 12:45 pm | UWL, 1101 Wittich Hall, La Crosse

Start up and emerging businesses will benefit from the FREE program that will provide insight in starting a business, as well as protecting intellectual property and other legal considerations. Register [HERE](#) before August 3, which includes additional information about the program.

3 | Second Harvest Mobile Pantry

3:30 pm | Recreation Park, 1625 Butts Ave., Tomah

Drive through only pick-up. Food items will be prepacked and loaded directly into your car.

Note: Effective Tuesday, September 7th, the Second Harvest Pantry will resume back to in-house distribution at 4 pm in the gold building at Recreation Park.

3 | Monroe County National Night Out

4 pm - 8 pm | Winnebago Park, 1020 Brandon St., Tomah



Have some fun and learn how to keep your family safe during the Monroe County National Night Out. Coordinated by Tomah Health and a number of area law enforcement/safety officials and business/organization partners, there is no charge to attend this annual community-building event. More than 40 non-profit organizations will have various informational booths, exhibits, and displays from 4 - 8 pm; the Tomah Police Department will hold its Bike & Safety Expo beginning at 4 pm; food and refreshment sales will be available in the park; plus, so much more!

5 | Community Blood Drive - American Red Cross

10:45 am - 5 pm | Masonic Lodge, 520 E. Saratoga St., Tomah

Appointments preferred. Make an appointment online at redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: tomahblood) or contact 608-609-0385.

5 | Downtown Thursday Nights **Military Appreciation Night** - Tomah Chamber & Visitors Center

6 pm - 9 pm | 800 & 900 Blocks of Superior Ave., Tomah

[Joey Leone](#) leads the Chop Shop and can please any audience with his enormous song list and complete mastery of the electric guitar. Joey's best known for his Joey Leone Signature Guitar, and the character in "Grand Theft Auto 3" that bares his name and likeness. The current incarnation of Joey's successful career is a blending of classic rock, to rockin' blues, to motown, to country music, with a tasteful addition of his original material. Free admission, featuring food and drink vendors, and a Kids Zone! Be sure to head to the [Downtown Thursday Nights](#) Facebook page for more announcements and updates!



AUGUST EVENTS

5-8 | Clue On Stage - Area Community Theatre

Tomah Middle School, 612 Hollister Ave., Tomah

Tickets are on sale! Shows will be held at the Tomah Middle School. Thursday - Saturday shows: 7 pm; Sunday matinee show: 1 pm. Order tickets by contacting the box office 2-5 pm or online at tomahact.com.

7 | Crazy Daze Sales

7 am | Local Retail Businesses, Tomah

Join in on the crazy fun Crazy Daze in Tomah! Take advantage of crazy sales at our local participating businesses! Follow Shop Tomah on Facebook [HERE](#).



AUGUST 8-14

12 | Downtown Thursday Nights - Tomah Chamber & Visitors Center

6 pm - 9 pm | 800 & 900 Blocks of Superior Ave., Tomah

[Cherry Pie](#) is a fun, family-friendly festival band with over 20 years of experience, playing the biggest rock hits. Cherry Pie plays all of the biggest "Hair Band" hits and ballads of the 80's, in addition to a few anthems from the 70's. Cherry Pie prides itself on putting on the most "Over The Top" show by employing a top tier sound, lighting, and special effects crew. With lots of crowd participation, it's easy to see why Cherry Pie shows are always heavily attended. Free admission, featuring food and drink vendors, and a Kids Zone! Be sure to head to the [Downtown Thursday Nights](#) Facebook page for more announcements and updates!



14 | Bow Shoot - nasa

8 am - 4 pm | Tomah-Warrens Sportsman's Alliance, 26143 Broadway Ave., Warrens

Come on out for a fun archery shoot! Help nasa raise funds for a great cause! Even if you don't shoot, stop on out and check out the silent auction or grab some lunch. More information can be found on their Facebook page [HERE](#).

14 | Ribbon Cutting & Open House - Tomah Area Historical Society & Museum

11 am | 321 Superior Ave., Tomah

Come join us to celebrate their new location! The Ribbon Cutting will commence at 11 am, followed by their Open House event. The Museum has a great collection to peruse, so come check it out - learn more about the history of Tomah and surrounding areas.

14 | Cookout - AMVETS Murphy Post 2180 Tomah/Necedah

11 am - 4 pm | Winnebago Park, 1020 Brandon St., Tomah

AMVETS will be hosting a cookout for Veterans and their families. Come play games, fish, or just to hang out and relax. More information can be found on their Facebook page [HERE](#).

AUGUST EVENTS

AUGUST 15-21

17 | Ribbon Cutting - Compass Learning Center

4:30 pm | Gloria Dei Church (Lower Level), 310 W. Elizabeth St., Tomah



Join us to celebrate and congratulate Compass Learning Center on their new location in the lower level of Gloria Dei Church. While you're there, take time to meet their team of dedicated teachers!

18 | Spreading Joy Parade - Boys & Girls Club of West-Central Wisconsin

Times Vary | 105 W. Milwaukee St., Tomah

Drive by, honk, donate and wave - take part in the Spreading Joy Parade to help raise funds for the kids served by the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) in Tomah! Drive by the BGC for a Mid-day Mosey between 12-1:30 pm; or take an Evening Cruise between 5:30-7:30 pm. Unable to get to the Parade? There are other options to donate - more information can be found on their website [HERE](#). For questions, contact 608-374-4386.

21 | Stuff the Bus - Lions Club

9 am - 1 pm | Walmart, 222 W. McCoy Blvd., Tomah



Help stuff the bus with school supplies for the Tomah Area School District. If you would like to donate, but cannot make it to the event, contact a member of the Oakdale, Tomah, or Warrens Lions Club. You can also drop off donations at Bank First or R.I.A. Federal Credit Union by August 20th.

21 | StreetFest on the Hill - Queen of the Apostles Catholic Parish

4:30 pm | 315 W. Monroe St., Tomah

Serving grilled chicken for \$10 and grilled brat or hotdog meal for \$5 from 4:30-6:30 pm. Live music, games, and raffle drawing - a fun community event open to all!

AUGUST 22-31

26 | Ribbon Cutting - DJ's Lunch Box

12 pm | Townline Road, Tomah

Join us to officially welcome DJ's Lunch Box to the Chamber community! Look for the food truck parked on Townline Rd., near the Industrial Park (drive east on Townline Rd. from Glendale to find the truck). The traditional Ribbon Cutting will commence at noon. Grab lunch while you're there too - fresh, local, good food!



28 | 150 Year Sesquicentennial Celebration - Tomah Fire Department

11 am - 11:30 pm | Recreation Park, 1625 Butts Ave., Tomah

Come celebrate 150 years of the Tomah Fire Department serving the Tomah community. There's a whole lot of great entertainment planned for the day. After the Parade, head to Recreation Park for all of the festivities - live music, water and fire truck/equipment shows, activities for the kids, plus much more! For more information, follow the Tomah Fire Department on their Facebook page [HERE](#). Event highlights include:



- Fire Truck Parade: 11 am (Parade will follow the traditional route down Superior Ave.)
- Fire Truck/Equipment Show: 1 pm
- Live Music: 2-11:30 pm (Aaron Scott, Desperate Ottos, and Bon Journey)
- Bounce Houses and Caricatures: 2:30-5:30 pm
- The Minnesota Fire Engine Club will be conducting water shows throughout the day and will be illuminated at night.

AUGUST EVENTS

REOCCURRING

2nd Annual Sparta Youth Scavenger Hunt - Monroe County Local History Room & Museum

Through August 14 | City-wide Event, Sparta

Live in Sparta and looking for something fun for the kids to do outside this summer? The Monroe County Local History Room & Museum is partnering with the Sparta Kiwanis Club to sponsor a City-wide Scavenger Hunt through August 14th. Every Sparta area student is invited to participate. Information on where to pick-up and drop-off forms can be found [HERE](#). Multiple prizes will be awarded - have fun, be safe and enjoy the city!



Baseball Season - La Crosse Loggers Baseball Club

Season Games Thru August | 1225 Caledonia St., La Crosse

Logger fans! Don't miss any of the action this season! You can catch every Loggers moment live on the Mixlr app: mixlr.com/lacrosseloggers or the Northwoods League website: northwoodsleague.com/watch. Their 2021 schedule and ticket information are available on their website at lacrosseloggers.com.

Commemorative Area & History Center - Fort McCoy

Open Thru September 4 | 1654 S 11th Ave., Fort McCoy

Open weekly on Fridays: 12 pm - 4 pm and Saturdays: 9 am - 3 pm. Extended hours available upon coordination. Visitors must have valid ID and be eligible for a visitor's pass. For more information, call 608-388-2407 or visit their website at home.army.mil/mccoy.



Races - Tomah-Sparta Speedway

Weekly on Fridays | 7:30 pm | 11215 Flagstaff Rd., Tomah

Enjoy races every Friday night until the end of September! View their 2021 racing schedule [HERE](#).

Tomah Farmers Market

Open Thru October | Gillett Park, 1316 Superior Ave., Tomah

Open weekly on Wednesdays: 11 am - 6 pm and Saturdays: 7 am - 1 pm.

Little Red School House Museum - Tomah Area Historical Society

Open Thru Labor Day | Gillette Park, 1316 Superior Ave., Tomah

Open weekly on Wednesdays: 1 pm - 4 pm and Saturdays: 9 am - 12 pm.

Free Pool - The Break Room Sports Bar and Grill

Weekly on Tuesdays | 1123 Superior Ave., Tomah

Free pool every Tuesday! View on Facebook [HERE](#).

AUGUST EVENTS

REOCCURRING

Education/Networking Meetings - BNI Cran-Country Referrals

Weekly on Wednesdays | 8 am | Blackberry Hills Adult Family Home, 1116 Superior Ave., Tomah

BNI (Business Network International) is now hosting weekly business education/networking meetings in-person; virtual option is still available; featured speakers each week. Visitors are welcome to participate and attend by accessing the online meeting link [HERE](#). For questions, contact Wendy Wright at 608-343-3936 or Tabitha Lueneburg at 608-393-6552.

- August 4: Randy Murdock, Owner - Tomah Homes
- August 11: Wendy Wright, VP Retail Banking - Bank First
- August 18: Linda Salzwedel, Consultant - Young Living Essential Oils
- August 25: Mark Flock, Owner - Flock's Heating & Air Conditioning

DJ Trivia - The Break Room Sports Bar and Grill

Weekly on Thursdays | 7 pm | 1123 Superior Ave., Tomah

Enjoy DJ Trivia on Thursday nights! View on Facebook [HERE](#).

Bingo - Marco's Italian & American Grill

Weekly on Sundays | 2 pm | 3514 Blarney Rd., Warrens

Enjoy bingo every Sunday - cash prizes too! View on Facebook [HERE](#).

FEATURED EVENTS COMING UP



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



3511 Blarney Rd
Warrens, WI 54666
608-378-4080

marcosatwarrens.com/discount-liquor



Marco's Discount Liquor offers a wide selection of drinks and is sure to have something that everyone likes! They even have hot and cold food options to-go, as well as firewood for your camping trip. They are located right next door to Marco's Italian and American Grill in Warrens - no matter what the occasion is, Marco's has you covered!



208 N. Glendale Ave.
Tomah, WI 54660
608-372-6006



Established in 2006, **Precise Plumbing LLC**, specializes in providing plumbing services for residential and small commercial jobs. They also install septic systems. Contact Jeff Larsen, Owner, for your plumbing needs!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



**N3163 Fairground Ave
Neillsville, 54456
608-377-2427**

Rose Water Service LLC provides a wide range of water treatment services, including water filtration, water softeners, drinking water purification, acid neutralizers, system & filter maintenance, and even plumbing services.

Paul Rose, Owner, is a local water treatment expert with almost a decade worth of experience and holds Wisconsin Master Plumber: Restricted Appliance & Wisconsin Pump Installer Licenses. He services Jackson, Monroe, and Clark Counties.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

NEW OFFERING

SAFETY CIRCUITS & MACHINE SAFEGUARDING

\$695 per person

For more info, call John at 608-343-5566 or e-mail zimprichj@westernnc.edu

Western Technical College
BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY SERVICES

Western Technical College
BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY SERVICES

MS EXCEL TRAINING

For more info, call John at 608-343-5566 or e-mail zimprichj@westernnc.edu

VANGUARD Storage

1011 BERRY STREET
TOMAH, WI 54660
(608) 387-3762



Vanguard Storage might be the new kid on the block, but we are not new at taking care of our customers needs when it comes to storing their personal property! We work hard to maintain a clean, dry, secure facility at all times, and we don't stop there. Our team is available to help with whatever you need with onsite management, which is an important element in how we do business. We want you to have a positive, memorable experience.



We have storage units available in several sizes from 10 x10— for holiday décor storage to 10 x 30 - for snowmobiles and prized collector autos and several sizes in between. We serve both residential and commercial customers. Our rates are very reasonable— starting at \$45 per month.

We provide state of the art security system and take excellent care of the lot for easy access 24/7! We also offer wide-drive access to accommodate large moving trucks. We know your time is valuable, so we are conveniently located near the intersection of Veterans Street and Berry Avenue, directly behind the Tomah Post Office.

Our goals are driven by passionate dedication to quality in our units and quality in our service. Call today to reserve a unit that will meet your needs, we are looking forward to meeting you!

CHAMBER MEMBER JOB POSTINGS

Now Hiring!

**Looking for something new?
Check out Member Job Postings!**

ACCESS JOB LISTINGS HERE



IS HIRING FOR THE FALL CRANBERRY HARVEST

HARVEST, WAREHOUSE,
SORTING, AND PACKING POSITIONS
LASTING 6-12 WEEKS IN BOTH TOMAH AND MILLSTON

**HABELMAN BROS. COMPANY
10688 ESTATE ROAD, TOMAH
(608) 372-6844**

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED
MONDAY – THURSDAY 8:30AM – 4:00PM
OR BY APPOINTMENT



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF WEST-CENTRAL WISCONSIN
Tomah

DRIVE BY, HONK, DONATE & WAVE



IT'S A ***SPREADING* JOY*** PARADE

Boys & Girls Club Tomah is inviting you to take part in the

BGC SPREADING JOY PARADE

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

DRIVE BY THE CLUB @ 105 W. MILWAUKEE STREET

Mid-day Mosey or Evening Cruise

12 - 1:30 p.m.

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

This year's Club theme is "Spreading Joy." Our Club kiddos have been exploring what brings them joy, celebrating people who bring other people joy, and creating projects to spread joy in the community and world!

**Our goal is to have
1,000 people donate \$20 each
to raise funds for the kids served by BGC Tomah!**

Walk: Drop-off your donation on parade day between 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
or anytime leading up to the event!

Drive: Join our parade and drop off your donation while you drive by!

Click: Visit www.bgcWCW.org and give!

**Questions?
608-374-4386
www.bgcwcw.org**



**TOMAH POLICE
DEPARTMENT
1ST ANNUAL K9
GOLF TOURNAMENT**



**SEPTEMBER 17TH 2021
SHOTGUN START AT 12:00 PM**

**Four Person Best Ball Tournament
\$85 per Golfer / \$340 per Team**

**TO GET INVOLVED STOP IN OR CONTACT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT!
LIMITED TEAMS SO SIGN UP EARLY!**



The Event Includes:

18 Holes with a cart

Catered Lunch

50/50 Raffle

Gift Bag with Registration

Bucket Raffles



Event Will Be Held At:

Hiawatha Golf Club

10229 Ellsworth Rd. Tomah, WI 54660

**Administrative Assistant
Rhonda Culpitt**

Phone: 608-374-7404

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**TOMAH POLICE DEPARTMENT
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TOMAH, WI 54660**

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All of Us Research Program now enrolling at Gundersen Health System

The *All of Us* Research Program wants to speed up health research and medical breakthroughs. To do this, they're asking one million or more people to lead the way to provide the types of information that can help us create individualized prevention, treatment and care for *All of Us*.

"The *All of Us* Research Program aims to change the face of medical care from 'one size fits all' to one that takes into account our individual differences. It is one of the most ambitious projects sponsored by the National Institutes of Health," said Murray Brilliant, Ph.D., former lead investigator for *All of Us* Wisconsin and director of the Center for Precision Medicine Research. "Our vision for *All of Us* Wisconsin is to offer the opportunity to join this program to the entire state. Our current sites are in La Crosse, Marshfield, Madison and Milwaukee.

The Wisconsin consortium led by Marshfield Clinic Research Institute and joined by University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin, and Gundersen Health System, is spearheading enrollment in Wisconsin. People ages 18 and older, regardless of health status, are able to enroll. The Wisconsin consortium is a partner of the National Institutes of Health's *All of Us* Research Program and is one of several regional networks across the country where individuals can enroll.

To learn more, contact AllofUs@gundersenhealth.org, call (608) 775-2171, or visit joinallofus.org/gundersen.

Together, let's create a healthier future for *All of Us*.

Additional resources

- [Accelerating COVID-19 Therapeutic Interventions and Vaccines \(ACTIV\)](#)
- [All of Us Research Hub](#)
- [Learn more](#) about volunteering for COVID-19 prevention research



**501 Gopher Drive
Tomah, WI 54660
608-372-2181
www.tomahhealth.org**

Monroe County National Night Out Returns August 3

Monroe County emergency services personnel are looking forward to connecting with the public during this year's Monroe County National Night Out Aug. 3 in Tomah's Winnebago Park. There is no charge to attend the event scheduled from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

While last year's event was cancelled due to crowd concerns because of the COVID pandemic, Tomah Police Chief Scott Holum said it will be great to see people again. "I think it's going to be refreshing for everybody," Holum said. "For the emergency service workers and the public, it has been a trying time over the past year, so we are looking forward to getting back out there and the way it used to be."

Even though this is the first National Night Out as Tomah Police Chief, Holum said the event is not new to him. "It brings citizens and emergency service personnel together," he said. "They are able to see us in a different capacity and allows us to interact with citizens and brings us together and builds relationships in the community."

Holum described Tomah as a safe community adding that National Night Out helps to enforce and build relationships. "When you look at the landscape across the country, we are not immune to crimes or harmful events in our community, but for the most part, it's a safe area to work. We have a lot of great community partners, great emergency service workers and great citizens; and we all work together."

Holum said residents who have not attended National Night Out should make plans to be there. "It's important for the public to attend to get to know what services are available, and what kind of safety tips can be provided to help them stay safe at home."

Holum singled out Tomah Police officer Melanie Marshall for her work with the event. "I think she's been to all 18 of them and a lot of this would not happen on our end if it wasn't for her."

Marshall is part of a volunteer committee made up of area law enforcement agencies, staff from the City of Tomah and Tomah Health. Event organizers are asking people who attend the event to join this year's theme by dressing as their favorite super hero. "Even though they may not consider themselves heroes; police officers, firefighters, EMT's, first responders, and hospital staff are heroes in the jobs they do every day and that's why we want to put them in the spotlight," Tomah Health marketing & public relations director Eric Prise said.

More than 40 not for profit organizations will have various exhibits, informational booths and displays featuring nutrition, school bus safety, weather storm spotting, parenting tips, water safety, home electricity safety, seat belt use, boating safety and compression only CPR.

Officials ask residents to park in the Tomah High School parking lot and walk across Butts Avenue to enter Winnebago Park, located adjacent to Lake Tomah.

Children three to 15 years old can learn safety lessons for riding a bicycle during the Tomah Police Department's Bike Safety Expo from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The expo will include safety tips and on-site bicycle licensing. Parents must be present, and children are reminded to have a bike and helmet. Prizes will be awarded after bicycle course stations close at 5:45 p.m. All stations must be completed to qualify for the drawings. Children must be present to win prizes. The first 250 children will receive a complimentary backpack with school supplies provided by Walmart of Tomah.

Monroe County's Combined Tactical Unit will present a demonstration at 7 p.m. followed by a mock crash featuring area fire and rescue units. Food and refreshment sales will be available, and there will be children's activities.



Nearly 900 people attended the Monroe County National Night held in 2019. Last year's event was cancelled due to crowd concerns because of the COVID pandemic.

Sergeant Major of Army Visits Fort McCoy

Sergeant Major of the Army, Michael A. Grinston, wrapped up a two-day visit to the Total Force Training Center July 20-21, 2021, meeting and talking with Soldiers and spouses of the Eagle Brigade, Soldiers attending advanced leader and senior leader courses and U.S. Army Reserve Soldiers training on Fort McCoy as part of exercise Pershing Strike '21.



The Sergeant Major of the Army is a unique non-commissioned rank and position of office in the United States Army. The holder of this rank and position is the most senior enlisted member of the Army.

Key topics Grinston discussed included leader development, understanding the people first initiative as it relates to readiness and engaged leadership, while also imploring the students to help make his initiative, "This Is My Squad," more than just a slogan. As did throughout his trip on Fort McCoy, Grinston's words of taking care of Soldiers rang the loudest. (story credits: Staff Sgt. Ryan Rayno)

Fort McCoy Welcomes New Garrison Deputy Commander



Fort McCoy welcomed Lt. Col. Chad Maynard to Fort McCoy as the new Garrison Deputy Commander July 6. Maynard came to Fort McCoy after serving as Professor of Military Science at the University of Akron in Akron, Ohio. The Deputy Commander position provides support and assistance for day-to-day military operations and Fort McCoy tenant organizations.

More information can be found in The Real McCoy at <https://home.army.mil/mccoy/index.php/my-fort/all-services/real-mccoy>.

Learn more about Fort McCoy online at home.army.mil/mccoy, on Facebook by searching "ftmccoy," and on Twitter by searching "usagmccoy."

THE INCREDIBLE CHAMBER MEMBERS WHO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY!

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