##  CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Newsletter

CHAMBERSPOTLIGHT

## OUARTER MANIA! <br> Quartermania is a cross between an auction and a raffle where people bid to win an item. Your bid will be between one to four quarters depending on the value of the item up for bid. You may purchase as many paddles (cost of $\$ 5$ each) and bid with as many paddles as you have.

Example: An item is up for a three quarter bid - I purchased two paddles - I am bidding with both paddles- I give my collector six quarters (three for each paddle).
My paddle number is called - I WIN!
If I did not bid with my paddle it will go face down on the table, if that paddle number is called it is not a win, as it was not used to bid.


## 2023 CHAMBER MEMBERS

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Walcott Manor Apartments
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Walcott Women

Submit articles by the 20th of each month to be included in the next chamber newsletter.

Articles may be edited or reduced as space provides.
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# Happy Holidays of 

 from the City of Walcott!City offices will be closed on Dec. 25, 26, and Jan. 1. Have a safe and happy holiday season!

## Live Christmas Tree Disposal

The Walcott Public Works Department will be picking up live Christmas trees at the curb following Christmas. No bag around trees.
Snow emergency - parking regulations

- A snow emergency will automatically go into effect when snow accumulation reaches two inches. The snow emergency will stay in effect until the streets have been cleared.
- Vehicles are not allowed to be parked on any public street during a snow emergency, except in certain designated angle parking areas. This exception does not include the north side of the 100 block of East Bryant Street.
- Vehicles illegally parked on city streets during a snow emergency will be subject to towing and/or a ticket.


## New at Water Tower Park!

The City of Walcott would like to extend their gratitude to Scott County Regional Authority, Republic Services, and Alliant Energy for their donations toward playground upgrades at Water Tower Park. With these funds, the City was able to replace an aged merry-go-round with a new structure called a Ten Spin. The Ten Spin features an accessible, inclusive design that allows children of all abilities to participate in playtime. A soft, poured rubber play surface was also added for extra safety and comfort. In addition to the Ten Spin, a new bench has been installed at the park, which was made possible by the generosity of the


## Snow removal

Residents are reminded that it is the property owner's responsibility to remove snow and ice accumulations promptly from sidewalks. If a property owner does not remove snow and ice accumulations within a reasonable time, the City may do so and assess the costs against the property owner for collection. Also, corner lots are required to clear the snow from the access ramps to allow unimpeded passage for pedestrian traffic. Please make arrangements to have your sidewalks maintained at all times and remember that it is illegal to shovel or blow snow onto city streets. Your cooperation is appreciated!

For safety purposes, residents are asked to help keep snow from piling around fire hydrants. This is an important safety measure in case a fire occurs and the Fire Department needs to access the hydrant. Also, if you have mail delivery keep your mailbox cleared so that your mail can be delivered. Thank you for your cooperation!

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## We salute your long hours and hard work through all seasons.



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## Calvary Preschool hosts successful Family Fun Day

Calvary Preschool would like to thank the Walcott community for the support you give to our preschool during our Family Fun Day and throughout the year. We especially thank these groups, businesses, and families for being sponsors. You are great!!!

## 2023 Family Fun Day Sponsors

## Platinum

Calvary Church of Walcott
Calvary Church Lydia Ladies
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## Gold

Shawna Burrow - Mel Foster, Realtor
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Arp Insurance Inc.
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## Bronze

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Anyone can come into the bank December 18-19 between 8 am -4 pm to view and vote for their favorite colored stocking in each category. The Winners will be contacted on

Wednesday, December 20th.
Location:
CBI Bank \& Trust
101 W Bryant Street, Walcott, IA 52806

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## Walcott Student Council Presents the:

#  <br> Hot Cocoa House 

December 1ith-12TH \& 8:30-9:30 AM

## Marshmallows + whipped ann CurbSide Service!

All proceeds benefit Walcott School's "Cozy Christmas" fundraiser!


## Calvary Church of Walcott



Hello Walcott and Calvary Church families,


I hope you all had an amazing Thanksgiving filled with family, friends, and of course some amazing food. I know our family enjoyed spending time with loved ones we don't get to see nearly as much as we would like to. It was a great time to remember just how much we have to be thankful for. Even if we had to put up with our first snowfall in the process.

As we start the official Advent season I look forward to continuing the study of Hidden Christmas by Timothy Keller. It has been an enjoyable study as well as small group discussion. I hope you take the time to join us for the next four weeks of Advent to remember what Christmas is truly about. The coming of the King. Immanuel, God with us. We will have normal service times, 10 a.m., every week with an special Christmas Eve service at 6 p.m. on the 24 th. This is a great time of year to invite someone that maybe you have been wanting to come for awhile to check out the church.

Lastly, please join me in prayer for everyone who will be traveling this holiday season as well as those serving our country that will not be with there loved ones. We are so blessed to have young men and women willing to serve so we can worship and celebrate together without fear. Hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! God Bless.

Pastor of Calvary Church of Walcott Mike Jones

- Sunday School starts at 9 a.m.
- Church Service starts at 10 a.m.



## CBI Bank \& Trust ${ }^{\circ}$ <br> Aim High. Bank Strong.

We are excited to serve you with the same customer service you have come to know and expect from us, your community bank!

Our name may have changed, but our service remains the same.

## Walcott Historical Society

Looking for a special gift for a former or present resident of Walcott? We have two pint beer glasses, one with an image of the Walcott Legion Home and another with our logo of the old locomotive available for $\$ 10$ each. They can be purchased at CBI Bank and Trust, Burt Clinic of Chiropractic and B \& D Automotive as well as the Museum. We also have copies of the books we've written about Walcott's first 100 years and the one-room schools in Scott County. They would make great Christmas gifts that are practical and nostalgic.

Thank you to those who visited and supported the Museum with donations and money this year. We truly appreciate your interest in our efforts to display Walcott's history. If you haven't checked out our latest display of our German heritage, please contact Karen Puck at (kpuck2015@gmail.com or (563) 284-6483) or Sherry Roberts (sherryhirlroberts@gmail.com or (563) 340-9653) to arrange a visit. You'll find the genealogical charts of the German immigrants who settled in this part of Scott County as well as many artifacts of businesses they had in our town.

We welcome anyone who would like to join our Historical Society. The annual dues are $\$ 10$, and we meet once a month from March-October. Members are all volunteers, and the Museum relies on donations and membership dues for finances. You can be as active as you choose. Please contact Karen or Sherry (contact information listed above) to join or arrange a visit.

We would like feedback about being open more and ideas for displays to create. Please contact Karen or Sherry by email or phone.


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Prizes awarded AFTER EACH GAME!

Proceeds to BENEFIT NEEDS IN THE WALCOTT community


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Walcott American Legion
121 W. Bryant St.

## TRIVIA

Answer to last month's trivia question: Who was William Walcott? He was a director of the Rock Island and Chicago Railroad who donated \$500 in 1855 for the construction of a school building, stipulating that the town be named after him. He never lived in Walcott.

December trivia question: What Native American tribe inhabited this area before the town was founded?


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## Breakfast with Santa

Hosted by Walcott Women Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus ... right down Bryant St. Walcott Women will be hosting Breakfast with Santa and providing donuts, a hot chocolate bar, photo ops, and crafts for kids at the Walcott Coliseum on Dec. 9 from 8-10 a.m.

Save the date for other upcoming events:

- Quarter Mania - Jan. 20, 2024
- Daddy Daughter Dance Feb. 10, 2024 (Barbie theme)



## Christmas Dance

Hosted by Community Club
The Walcott Community Club Christmas dance will be Saturday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Walcott Coliseum.


The Walcott Fire Department

## Santa at the Station

Saturday Dec. 16
At 5 p.m. Santa will parade around town on the firetruck. Following the parade (approx. 6:30 p.m.) the community is invited to the Walcott fire station for pictures, activities, hot chocolate, desserts, and more!


## Walcott Manor Apartments



1 \& 2 Bedroom Apartments 333 \& 337 S Parker St.

Clean, quiet, and well-maintained with appliances, central air, laundry, and off-street parking.

## Walcott Library

During the month of December, we will be having a disguise a gingerbread contest! The Gingerbread Man needs to go undercover so he does not get eaten for the holidays. Dress him up as anything you like and get creative! Pick up a paper gingerbread man at the library and return by December 30th. Drop in and join us at any of these events:

Dec. 2-11: Letters to Santa. Stop in during regular hours to write a letter to Santa and mail it to him - he might just reply back! Return your letter by December 11th so that Santa can receive it in time!

Dec. 2: Christmas Crafts, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Make gifts and cards for family and friends. All ages are welcome.

Dec. 4: Adult Book Club, 7 p.m. Read the book and join in the discussion! No registration required! For information on the November title, please contact the Walcott Branch at (563) 2854794 and press 5.

Dec. 7: Book Page Paper Ornaments, $4-6$ p.m. Create your own ornament using the Book Page! Stop by the library and create a masterpiece! Best for ages 12-18.

Dec. 14: Train Time, 4-6 p.m. Calling train enthusiasts of every age: head over to the library to spend an afternoon playing with trains and train tracks! All ages are welcome.

Dec. 18: Lego Block Party, 4-6 p.m. If you can imagine it, you can build it! Join other kids to engineer some fun. Use our LEGOs to unleash your inner designer, architect, or engineer. All ages are welcome.

Dec. 19: Christmas STEM, 4-6 p.m. Stop in for some Christmas themed STEM projects! Best for ages 6-11.

Dec. 21: Jammies Story Time, 6 p.m. Put on your jammies, bring your favorite stuffed animal friend, and join us for bedtime stores and activities. Best for ages 0-6, with a grownup.

Dec. 28: Cocoa Club, $4-6$ p.m. Drop in for a cup of cocoa! Best for ages 12-18.

The next Social Gaming Gathering will be on Saturday, Dec. 16 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The start time is flexible and could start as late as $1: 30$ p.m. This group plays Social Gaming: Betrayal of the House on the Hill. It's a cross between Dungeons \& Dragons and Clue and has so many possibilities for adventures - with a twist! Must be at least 18 to join this group. Stop in for a friendly game.

Please note that all locations of the Scott County Library System will be closed on Dec. 25 and 26 and Jan. 1 and 2. Regular hours at the Walcott Branch are Monday - Thursday 2 - 7 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.


## Walcott Lions food drive

The Walcott Lions will hold a food drive Saturday, Dec. 9 from 9 - noon at the rec trail parking lot.

This drive benefits the Buffalo Food Pantry which serves all of the communities in (roughly) the area from I-280 West to about Montpelier and from I-80 South to the Mississippi.

We will be accepting non-perishable food items, toiletries and monetary donations. *Please make checks payable to: Buffalo Food Pantry. From the largest to the smallest, every donation helps someone or a family in need. See you December 9. (The bad weather date will be December 16.)


## MARY KAY holiday open house

JOIN US ON DECEMBER 2ND FROM 9AM-1PM. hosted by terri deroin at 420 prairie meadow drive blue grass, lowa.


SAVE THE DATE:
Join the Walcott Book Club
Join the Walcott Book Club on the
first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the
Walcott Library (except in September when it is
on the second Monday).
Featured Books are available at the library for checkout.
Community Coffee at Courtyard Estates
Residents at Courtyard Estates would like to invite the community for "Community Coffee" the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 9 a.m.
Please consider a good-will donation (\$1.00) to help cover costs.

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| Calvary Sunday School 9 a.m. and Worship Service 10 a.m. | 4 <br> - Park Board meeting, <br> 5 p.m. <br> - City Council meeting, 6 p.m. | Recreational Trail advisory committee 7 p.m. | 6 |  | 8 | - Breakfast with <br> Santa, 8 - 10 a.m <br> - Walcott Lions <br> Food Drive <br> - Christmas Dance 7 p.m. |
| Calvary Sunday School 9 a.m. and Worship Service 10 a.m. |  | 12 | ChuckiesTenderloins, <br> 11 a.m. -2 p.m.13 | $\begin{array}{ll} \begin{array}{l} \text { Traintime, } \\ \text { 4-6 p.m. } \end{array} & 14 \end{array}$ | 15 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Santa at the } 16 \\ & \text { Station, b:30 p.m. } \end{aligned}$ |
| Calvary Sunday School 9 a.m. and Worship Service 10 a.m. | - City Council <br> meeting, 6 p.m <br> - Lego Block Party, 4-6 p.m. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & \text { Jammies Story } \\ & \text { Time, } 6 \text { p.m. } \end{aligned}$ | 22 |  |
| - Calvary Sunday School 9 a.m. and Worship <br> Service 10 a.m. <br> - Christmas Eve <br> Service, 6 p.m. <br> - Calvary Sunday School 9 a.m. and Worship Service 10 a.m. | Merry Christmas! | $26$ <br> TT CITY CLOSED |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cocoa Club, } \\ & 4-6 \text { p.m. } \end{aligned}$ | 29 | $30$ |

