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When you become a member of the Walcott Chamber of Commerce, you help us to promote your business. The newsletter features business spotlights at no cost to members. If you would like your business featured, join the chamber!

You can also support the newsletter with your advertising. Donations are cheerfully accepted if you do not wish to advertise.

Articles for the newsletter are always welcome. Submissions are due by the 20th of each month and should be emailed to [walcottchamber@gmail.com](mailto:walcottchamber@gmail.com).

Your support is greatly appreciated. We thrive on your continued support. Thank you.



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Walcott Family Pet Clinic  
Walcott Historical Society  
Walcott Lions Club  
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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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2024 recycling calendars for Walcott garbage & recycling customers are available at City Hall and at the City's website, [www.cityofwalcott.com](http://www.cityofwalcott.com).

## Snow removal

Residents are reminded that it is the property owner's responsibility to remove snow and ice accumulations promptly from sidewalks. 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.

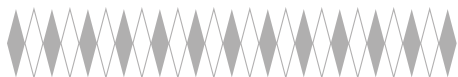
For safety purposes, residents are asked to help keep snow from piling around fire hydrants. This is an important safety measure in case a fire occurs and the Fire Department needs to access the hydrant. Also, if you have mail delivery keep your mailbox cleared so that your mail can be delivered. Thank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

### Snow Emergency Parking:

- 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.

2024 Pet Licenses are now available at City Hall. The annual fee is \$3 per cat or dog and proof of a rabies vaccination is required. License fees become delinquent on April 1.

The Walcott Public Works Department will be picking up live Christmas trees at the curb. Please have trees at the curb by 7 a.m. and do not place bags around the trees.



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### Important School Dates:

**Jan. 11** - PTA meeting at 4:15 p.m. in the school library.  
**Jan. 12** - 2-hour early out  
**Jan. 15** - No school

### Mark your calendars:

Feb. 9, Paint Night at the Walcott American Legion  
Feb. 20, 6 - 8 p.m. K-8 Skate Night at Eldridge Skate Park  
April 5, 6 - 8 p.m. Elementary Fun Night at Walcott school

The PTA meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 4:30 p.m. in the school library. Upcoming meetings will be held on Feb 8, March 21 (delayed for break), April 11, and May 9.  
For more information you can email [Walcottpantherspta@gmail.com](mailto:Walcottpantherspta@gmail.com).

Check the school website for all the sports schedules <https://www.davenportschools.org/walcott/explore/school-calendar/>



### Walcott Athletics is looking for volunteers!

We are planning to add additional sports and activities for future Panthers! We are hoping to add camps, clinics, and more for Cheerleading, Soccer, Flag Football, Bowling, E-Sports, Golf, and Pickleball over the next year. If you are interested in helping with any of those sports, or would like us to consider an additional sport, please let us know so we can include you in the planning. The best way to contact us is via email at [WalcottAthleticBoard@gmail.com](mailto:WalcottAthleticBoard@gmail.com).

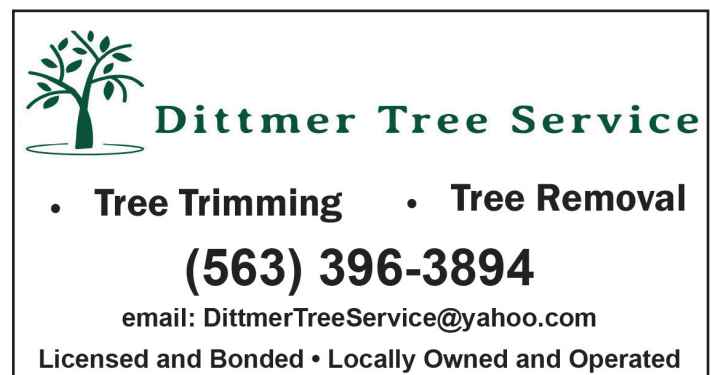


Be sure to follow Walcott Athletics on Facebook. We will share a lot of information through this group. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/724894819201107>

### Walcott American Legion Auxiliary Girls State

The Walcott American Legion Auxiliary is looking for girls who are in their junior year in high school to send to Girls State. Girls State is an inspirational, educational, fun, and life-changing experience for young women.

The programs' objective is to develop leadership skills, confidence, and action-based understanding of the governmental process. The American Legion Auxiliary believes that educating youth about the basic ideals and principles of government will help ensure our democracy's survival. Please call Lisa Mengler at (563) 529-5559 with any questions.







## A message from Calvary Church of Walcott

Good morning Walcott and Calvary Church Families,

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and happy new year. December was full of so much fun. Whether it was Donuts with Santa in the morning or the Community Club Christmas dance that evening, December was filled with amazing memories and fun meeting new people from all around town. For our family it was wonderful getting to be close to home and being able to be more flexible with our time. As many of you have experienced, it can be hectic to try and fit all your family responsibilities in when you do not live just down the road.

We also had an amazing experience with our first Christmas Eve service here. The turnout was amazing and meeting so many new people and meeting some of our current church members' families from all over was such a blessing for us. Seeing the church full of people singing and praising was a true blessing to me. Heading into 2024 I look forward to seeing what God has in store for us at Calvary Church of Walcott and our town of Walcott all together.

As we head into the new year some of us celebrate the amazing year we have had and some of us are celebrating that it is over and we feel like we can get a fresh start. So many of us have new years resolutions and statistically speaking we will most likely give up on them by March. But what if we didn't make it such a narrow or hard to accomplish goal. What if you make your goal to do more. To do more in your church or in your

community. That doesn't mean you all the sudden need to say yes to every opportunity that comes up. But maybe you say yes to helping at something maybe you normally wouldn't. Or going to an event you would normally skip because you would rather stay at home. Or maybe it means rather than coming to church once a year you try once a month. Or getting a gym membership and saying you're going to go five days a week is unrealistic and once you fail you feel defeated and stop going all together.

Don't do something so drastic that you will fail but enough that you will notice the difference in your life and relationships. It always feels better to succeed for your mental and sometimes physical health. In my 10 years of ministry, I have learned how much easier it is to love and be committed to a community the more ways you find to be a part of it not just in it. This community may be small, but it is full of great events and even better people. Calvary Church has people doing amazing things and is full of people who love this community.

Let's all find ways to make 2024 one of the best for ourselves but also for our church and our community. God Bless and hope to continue to meet more of the amazing people of this community.

Pastor of Calvary Church of Walcott  
Mike Jones



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



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## Quarter Mania

January 20, 2024  
Walcott American Legion  
Doors open at 1 p.m.  
Mania starts at 2 p.m.



### What is Quarter Mania?

A Quartermania is a cross between an auction and a raffle where people 'bid' to win an item. Your bid will be between 1-4 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 3 quarter bid- I purchased 2 paddles- I am bidding with both paddles- I give my collector 6 quarters (3 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.

All proceeds go toward Walcott Women of Today: WWOT have held or supported the following event of the past year: WWOT easter egg hunt, Santa's Breakfast, WFD Steak Fry, WHS After Prom, Westcott/Victory Park Fence project, H&H

## Walcott American Legion Post 548 Roast Beef Supper

The Walcott American Legion Post 548 invites you to join them Friday, Jan. 26, for a roast beef supper. Supper will be served from 5 to 8 p.m.



**Donation of \$13**  
**Children's Chicken Nugget Meal - \$4**

Desserts and raffle are available. Dine-in or Carry-out available. For more information, call Commander Brian Mengler (563) 529-5560.

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**February 3, 2024**  
**7:00pm**  
**(Doors open at 6:00pm)**

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## Walcott Historical Society

The Walcott Historical Society appreciates all those who visited and/or donated to the Walcott Museum during the past year. We appreciate each and every one of you!

We are committed to presenting exhibits that highlight Walcott's and the surrounding area's history and welcome anyone interested in helping with future exhibits to contact one of our members.

We are in the process of choosing a theme for our next exhibit and would like your suggestions. If you have suggestions or would like to join the Historical Society, please call or email Karen Puck at (563) 284-6438 or kpuck2015@gmail.com. We would love to have you join us.



**December trivia question answer:** What Native American tribe inhabited this area before the town was founded? The Kaskaskia tribe who was once a part of the Illinois, a group of approximately twelve Algonquian-speaking tribes who shared the same culture. They were driven out by the Mesquakie Tribe, a splinter of the Canadian Iroquois.



**New trivia question:** Did you know that Walcott once had a jewelry store? Who owned it and where was it located?

## Walcott Library

Welcome to 2024! As we start a new year, it's the perfect opportunity to use the Walcott Library to accomplish those resolutions! If your goal is to save money, you can start by borrowing materials or using our digital collections, instead of buying those items. If you want to get fit, save money, or cook healthier, we have resources on all of those topics. If you have decided to stay busy, stop in at one of our programs:

**Jan. 4:** 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.

**Jan. 5:** Story Time, 10 a.m. Join us for a morning of stories, songs, silliness, and crafts! Best for kids ages 0-6, with their grownups.

**Jan. 8:** Adult Book Club. 7 p.m. Read the monthly book and join the discussion with fellow book lovers. The January title is *The Last Chinese Chef* by Nicole Mones. No registration is required! New members are always welcome, and you don't have to attend every month. This event is for adults.

**Jan. 9:** Snowman Stress Ball Craft, 4 – 6 p.m. Make a cute snowman stress ball. Best for ages 6-11.

**Jan. 11:** Craftea Crafty Time, 4 – 6 p.m. Make a craft and enjoy some tea. Best for ages 12 – 18.

**Jan. 12:** Story Time, 10 a.m. Join us for a morning of stories, songs, silliness, and crafts! Best for kids ages 0-6, with their grownups.

**Jan. 15:** Hot Wheels Club, 4 – 6 p.m. Meet up with other Hot Wheels fans. Some tracks and cars will be available for use or bring your own to play and race. All ages are welcome.

**Jan. 16:** Winter Minute It to Win It, 4 – 6 p.m. Compete in fun winter challenges with a time limit of one minute per challenger. Best for ages 6-11.

**Jan. 18:** Jammies Story Time, 6 p.m. Put on your jammies, bring your favorite stuffed animal friend, and join us for bedtime stories and activities. Best for ages 0-6 with a grownup.

**Jan. 19:** Story Time, 10 a.m. Join us for a morning of stories, songs, silliness, and crafts! Best for kids ages 0-6, with their grownups.

**Jan. 23:** Winter Origami, 4 – 6 p.m. Learn origami at the library with a fun winter theme! Best for adults.

**Jan. 25:** 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.

**Jan. 26:** Story Time, 10 a.m. Join us for a morning of stories, songs, silliness, and crafts! Best for kids ages 0-6, with their grownups.

The next Social Gaming Gathering will be on Saturday, Jan. 20 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 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.

## Community Club January feed

Walcott Community Club is starting the year off back at the Coliseum serving ham on Jan. 4 at 7 p.m. Our fraternal organization is always welcoming new members. 2024 membership is only \$65 for 10 meals throughout the year.

We would like to thank our meal sponsors for this month; Dairyland Seed - Kirk Koberg and Paul Meyer Chemicals. As well as our platinum sponsors; CBI Bank & Trust, Deck Supply Services, Runge Mortuary and Crematory, Wyffels Hybrids - Wayne Ovesen, West Liberty Foods, Paustian Concrete.

## Walcott Lions food drive

The Walcott Lions held their December food drive benefiting the Buffalo Food Pantry Party on Saturday, Dec. 12.

The Lions received 184 non-perishable items and \$515 in monetary donations. This amount will provide 5,150 meals.

The Lions could not do this without you and we and the Buffalo Food Pantry Thank you all.







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**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
	1 	2 City Council meeting, 6 p.m.	3	4 • Lego Block Party, 4 - 6 p.m. • Community Club feed, 7 p.m. 	5 Story Time, 10 a.m.	6
7 Calvary Sunday School 9 a.m. and Worship Service 10 a.m. 	8 Adult Book Club. 7 p.m.	9 Snowman Stress Ball Craft, 4 - 6 p.m.	10	11 • Crafta Crafty Time, 4 - 6 p.m. • PTA meeting, 4:15 p.m.	12 Story Time, 10 a.m.	13 
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21 Calvary Sunday School 9 a.m. and Worship Service 10 a.m.	22	23 Winter Origami, 4 - 6 p.m.	24	25 Train Time, 4 - 6 p.m.	26 • Story Time, 10 a.m. • Roast Beef Supper, 5 - 8 p.m.	27 
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