

# Deer Tales

## July 2026



### LADIES LUNCHEON

Celebrating America's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**Date:** Thursday, July 9, 2026

**Place:** Cabby's Grill & Patio  
N10351 Howard Dr, Fox Lake  
(Hwy 33 is open to Cabby's)  
[cabbysgrillandpatio.com](http://cabbysgrillandpatio.com)

**Time:** 11:30 A.M. Cocktail Social  
Special Drink: Red, white, and blue spritzer  
12:00 P.M. Lunch

**Cost:** \$20 per person, includes entree, dessert, choice of iced tea or soda, tax, & gratuity

**Menu:**

1. Red, White, & Blue Salad: Mixed greens with chicken, strawberries, blueberries, and poppy seed dressing.
2. Cheeseburger (cheddar cheese) and french fries
3. 2 pc. Fried Chicken, (choice of dark or white meat,) served with french fries.

**Hosts:** Katie Hauck, Peggy Knapp, and Linda Brandt.

**Please RSVP by Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.** Text or call Peggy Knapp @ 608-334-4660. Include your name and choice of entree. Please notify Peggy 48 hours in advance if you need to cancel.

### ASSOCIATION NEWS

**SRA LTD:** The next board meeting is scheduled on July 20, 2026 at 6:00 pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, W8267 Hwy 33, Portage  
website: <http://www.saddleridgeassociationltd.com>

**SREA:** Monthly Board Meeting on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 5:00 pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fellowship Hall, W8267 Hwy 33 East Portage  
Website: [www.saddleridgestates.net](http://www.saddleridgestates.net)  
Email: [saddleridge139@gmail.com](mailto:saddleridge139@gmail.com)  
Leave a message: (608) 742-6850

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**FOREST:** No July Board Meeting  
Website: [www.theforestassociation.com](http://www.theforestassociation.com)

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### The Ladies of Saddle Ridge First Invitational Birdies & Babes Scramble

Tuesday August 4, 2026, 18 Hole Golf Event, 8:30 a.m  
Summer Market at The Clubhouse immediately following 2:00-6:00. For more information, visit the Clubhouse at Saddle Ridge Facebook page or contact Tricia at 608-566-5730

#### 10th Annual Memorial Golf Outing

Our Memorial Golf Outing is Friday August 21, 2026  
The teams are full, but if you would like to be placed on the sub list, please contact Mari G. at [ggucken@gmail.com](mailto:ggucken@gmail.com).

Join us on Wed night August 19th (attendance pool) 5-6:30 pm or Friday morning 10:00 am to 12:30 pm to check out and purchase tickets for our fabulous Raffle Baskets. If you would be interested in becoming a hole sponsor in memory of a loved one or donate a raffle basket please contact Mari G. [ggucken@gmail.com](mailto:ggucken@gmail.com)  
Hole sponsorship is \$100 includes your name and person in memory of sign on the course during play. All donations will go to purchasing a bench, name plaques, Agrace Hospice and ADRC (meals on wheels). Any other amount of donation is appreciated. Thank You, Memorial Team- Mari, Joel, Sue, Dave, Sid, Jeanne

#### **Recycle Days**

Monday, July 13th  
Monday, July 27th



### **City of Portage**

Fireworks - Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>

Friday Jun 26, 2026

7:00 PM - 10:30 PM CDT

Free Admission

We would like to invite the community to enjoy the Portage Fireworks from the comfort of our backyard at Cross of Christ Church located at 585 E. Slifer Street, Portage. There will be FREE ICE CREAM & popcorn. Set up your blankets anywhere. Restrooms are available for use.

### **Swan Lake**

Celebration - Saturday, July 4

### **Village of Pardeeville**

Parade and Fireworks - Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

Downtown Pardeeville

11am Community Parade - Must Register

Chandler Park -

12:00 Concession Stand, Food Trucks & Beer Tent

12:00 - 5:00 Vendor Fair

12:00 - 5:00 Kids Activities

1:00 Cornhole Tournament - Must Register

2:00 Dunk Tank - Must Register

1:30 Boat Parade - Must Register

3:30 Waterski Show

5:00 - 6:15 Bingo

6:30 - 9:30 Live Band

9:30 Grand Fireworks Display

### **Annual Golf Cart Parade**

Join us Friday, July 3, 2026, to celebrate America's 250th birthday. Both decorated or undecorated carts welcome. Gather at Flag Pole on West Saddle Ridge @12:50 PM. Parade starts @ 1PM. We'll end at the Clubhouse flagpole for brief reflection. Tricia will have prepared a "free will offering" build your own hot dog bar. Those not participating in the parade please come out & wave to us and then come join us at the Clubhouse. Happy and safe holiday to all

### **Columbia County Fair**

Wednesday Jul 29, 2026 Sunday - Aug 2, 2026

Location: Veterans Memorial Field (Columbia County Fairgrounds) Portage Wisconsin.

Free parking and admission. Carnival, food, etc do have costs. Website: <https://columbiacountyfairwi.org/>

Columbia County Fair will be showcasing the hard work of both youth and adult exhibitors. Also, a venue for commercial booths and the typical fair activities. Call 608-697-5043 during the fair for information.

The Columbia County Fair Carnival will open at 6pm on Wednesday, 1pm on Thursday and Friday and 12pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Wristband specials are:

Wed 6pm-10pm

Thurs & Fri 1 pm-5 pm & 6 pm-10 pm

Sat 12 pm-4 pm & 6 pm-10 pm

Sun 12 pm-4 pm

Grandstand events Wednesday through Saturday

Here's what's coming to the Grandstand:

Wednesday – Tuff Truck Competition

Thursday – Truck & Tractor Pull

Friday – Rodeo

Saturday – Demolition Derby



## **Portage Kiwanis Fundraiser**

Columbia County Fair Celebrity Dunk Tank

Thursday Jul 30, 2026 Saturday Aug 1, 2026 from 4pm-8pm in front of the Grandstand.

Stop out at the Columbia County Fair and help the Portage Kiwanis raise some money for children. Bring some cash and try your hand at 'dunking' these celebrities.

## **Concerts at the Portage**

Grab your lawn chair or blanket and come enjoy Concerts at the Portage Wednesday evening concert series. The concerts take place on a stage behind the Portage VFW located at 215 W. Collins Street (behind Walgreen's). Desserts are served by a local non-profit as a fundraiser.

July 1 - The CarTunes

July 8 - Jason Thomas Band

July 15 - Eric Diamond and The Ultimate Legends Band

July 22 - Country Legends

July 29 - Best Practice

August 5 - Mad City Radiators

August 12 - Universal Sound

August 19 - Sharp Dressed Men

August 26 - The Swing Crew



## **Bagpipes at the Glen: A Celtic Music Evening!**

Back by popular demand!

July 11, 2026 4-8 PM  
at Durwards Glen

The romantic sounds of the bagpipes will begin at 4 pm and music will continue until 8 pm. The Celtic music lineup will be Shari Sarazin, Lochanside, Wrannock Celtic Trio performing jigs, reels, storytelling, and airs from Scotland, Slipjig and bagpipers. Food and beverages will be available. Bring your own chairs or blankets and enjoy the music, food, and camaraderie of fellow Scottish wannabes. \$20 parking. Free, donations appreciated.

## **Portage Theaters Dollar Movies**

The \$1 movies start June 2, 2026  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays at 10am

<http://portagetheatres.com>  
608-742-6678



## **Lunch at the Elks Lodge**

Thursday Jul 2, 2026

11:00 AM - 5:00 PM CDT

Portage Elks Veranda Cookout will be held on Thursdays 11am-5pm. Featuring burgers, brats, and BBQ pulled pork. Cookouts end in September. Portage Elks Lodge, 201 West Conant Street, Portage  
Call Paul at 608-617-5224

## **Annual Elks Golf Outing**

Join the Elks as they raise money for their charities. Open to the public Saturday Jul 11, 2026 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM CDT. Registration @ 7, Shotgun start @ 8. Golfing @ Portage Country Club, dinner and prizes awarded at the Portage Elks Lodge 201 W. Conant St. Portage. 608-697-5519

## **Zumba Gold + Balance Bonus**

Low impact Zumba plus bonus focusing on stretches and strengthening to improve balance.

Starting Thursday Jul 2, 2026

Thursdays 9:15-10am

Portage Public Library

253 W. Edgewater St.

Sign up in advance at 608-742-4959

## Aspirus Divine Savior Cookie Purchase

Thursday Jul 9, 2026

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM CDT

Second Thursdays, 10am to 2pm

Location: Aspirus Divine Savior Hospital lobby



One cookie for \$1

Baker's Dozen for \$12

The Aspirus Divine Savior Volunteers are once again preparing and selling warm and delicious cookies to benefit scholarships for high school seniors educating in the healthcare-related fields.

Cookies are available to purchase every second Thursday of the month in the front lobby of the hospital from 10am to 2pm. They are sold for \$1 each or a baker's dozen for \$12. Interested in making a difference? Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 608-745-5033.

## **Got old electronics collecting dust?**

Bring your unwanted electronics to Goodwill's **FREE Electronics Recycling Donation Drive** on Saturday, July 11 and help turn e-waste into opportunity.

All Goodwill South Central Wisconsin locations (excluding the Outlet)  
Saturday, July 11 | 9 AM - 8 PM

Through our partnership with Dell Reconnect, we accept a wide range of electronics in both working and non-working condition, keeping valuable materials out of landfills while supporting local programs that empower people to build brighter futures.

We accept computers, laptops, phones, tablets, flat-screen TVs, printers, cables, accessories, and more! Learn More & See What We Accept:

<https://info.goodwillscwi.org/goodwill-e-cycling-saturday>

## Career Navigation Program

**Date and Time:** Wednesday Jul 1, 2026 from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM CDT

**Location:** Portage Public Library, 253 W Edgewater

**Program Details:** No appointment is required - participants may stop in anytime during scheduled drop-in hours. Career Navigation Services Include: Resume development and updates

- Job search strategies and online applications
- Interview preparation
- Onboarding support
- Basic computer skills assistance

We believe everyone can work, and we are here to help individuals connect their skills and interests to meaningful employment opportunities. If these dates or times are not convenient, individuals may contact us directly to explore additional options.

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Contact Information: Melanie Schneider, Career Navigator, Division of Employment & Training

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