

# The Wellston Window

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Promoting Travel & Economic Development



## The Great Reset

I'm sure everyone is as tired as we are. COVID-19 has had many undesired effects and left many disasters in its wake. With things beginning to return to normal we hope that businesses and residents are able to make a full recovery.

We appreciate your patience as we also return to normal. Canceling our fundraiser last year was extremely disappointing as we were excited to get our organization off the ground to bring positive change to our community. Our time will come and though we do not have any announcements to make, know that we are planning events for late 2021 and 2022 (assuming COVID-19 becomes a term of the past). We appreciate your patience while we iron out details and make plans for the future!

We would like to Welcome Jacob Miltner of Pine River Paddlesports to the Board. He has accepted a position with Excel Wellston and will be working with Rob Eckerson of Pappy's Bait & Tackle on some exciting changes to our trail system.

## Committees & Representatives

**Activities Committee – Chair, Alicia Cook:** Smaller activities focused on a specific group. Examples include, children's activities such as painting or cooking classes; chili/soup cook-off, etc.

**Events Committee – Chair, Jacqueline Morgan:** Larger events hosted by Excel Wellston. Examples include, Community Dance; 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival; Blessing of the Sportsmen; New Year's Eve Celebration.

**Improvement & Development Committee – Chair, Assigned as Needed:** Work with local businesses, schools, and organizations for common goals; grant writing; fundraising; community improvement; etc.

**Public Relations Committee – Chair, Tammy Methner:** Oversee marketing and advertising of Excel Wellston, assists members as needed, facilitate small business related events, etc.

**Trails & Recreation Committee – Chair, Rob Eckerson:** Identify areas of concern, facilitate communication with appropriate officials, follow up on necessary items, etc.

Any business or individual with an active Excel Wellston membership, interested in participating in a committee or finding out more information, please contact [admin@excelwellston.org](mailto:admin@excelwellston.org).

## Planned Events & Activities

**July 4 – 4<sup>th</sup> Of July Festivities-** Location: Crystal Lake, Wellston. Fireworks at dawn. Parade at noon. Line up at Wellston Elementary at 11:30 am. Please bring candy.

**August 13-15 Hoxeyville Music Festival**

**August 28-29<sup>th</sup> North Country Trail Run.**

**September 25<sup>th</sup> Blessing of the Sportsman, Chili Cook-Off and more....**  
Co-Sponsored with LampStand Church

**October 31- Spook-tacular**

**December 8<sup>th</sup> Christmas Festival w/gifts**  
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**Kids' Movie Nights:** Postponed due to COVID-19

**Business Sessions:** Postponed due to COVID-19



## Membership, Collaboration, & Sponsorship

2019 Paid memberships are being extended through 2022. Dues will not be required to be paid until 2023 due to the pandemic.

To become a collaborator or sponsor to any event (outside of those included with a membership), please contact [admin@excelwellston.org](mailto:admin@excelwellston.org).



During a recent public meeting, Norman Township announced plans for updates to the Crystal Lake Park. Norman Township will be applying for a grant to fund most of these improvements. Unfortunately, the grant will not pay for the playground equipment or the monuments. Excel Wellston has decided to help with the fundraising for the playground equipment and the Boosters have stated they will be raising money for the monuments. Keep an eye out for upcoming fundraising events and other ways you can help!

Congratulations to Marlen Cordes, Superintendent of Kaleva Norman Dickson and Bear Lake Schools, on his retirement. Thank you for 30 years of dedication to education! Enjoy your retirement!!



Kaleva Norman Dickson is offering curbside meals pickup. A week's worth of food will be available for any child 0-18. Be sure to take advantage of this amazing opportunity!.

### Staying Informed & Meeting Opportunities

Many people have asked 'when is the next meeting?' We want to keep everyone informed. Meeting in person is not always feasible. So, we are utilizing this newsletter, our Facebook Page, Website, and e-mail to share information. Meetings will be held as needed. Currently, our board members meet periodically. Committee meetings will be set up as needed to address specific topics, events, etc. All active members are encouraged to participate in committees. And, as always, we are happy to hear from and appreciate feedback from all community members and business owners. So please feel free to reach out to us at any time.



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