



Enjoy a home cooked meal starting at 6:30 pm. At 7:30, play your favorite casino games including Blackjack, Roulette, and more. Build your "Barbed Bucks" and use them at the live auction for a variety of items. Proceeds will benefit the Kansas Barbed Wire Museum. Evening Event - \$10.00 (includes free "Barbed Bucks") Auction starts about 8:45pm



Join us for "The Winners Banquet" at the Walnut Valley Senior Center in Rush Center at 6:30pm Saturday evening, May 4th. Enjoy your meal by candlelight along with live music. Following the banquet will be announcement of the splicing winners, show awards, and more.

Reservations required.
\$20.00 per person

A limited number of tickets are available

Special Events

Splicing Contest

World Champion Splicing Contest™: Open to everyone, participants have the opportunity to demonstrate their skills at fence mending. Contestants are scored on a formula derived from the length of time it takes to complete the splice and the amount of "sag" in the wire while supporting a 70 lb weight. Prizes are awarded in the Men's, Ladies' and Youth categories.

Community Church Service

Old-Fashioned Community Church Service & Picnic: On Sunday, May 8th at 11:00am, join us for an outdoor church service in Grass Park at the north shelter house. Following the service, the festivities will conclude with a community picnic. All food will be provided. This non-denominational service and picnic is sponsored by the La Crosse United Methodist Church. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Exhibitor Information

Exhibitors are encouraged to register in advance as tables are limited. Register online at our website or by calling the numbers below. Exhibitors may set up on Thursday from 3:00-4:30pm or Friday morning at 7:00am. Displays must be removed following the auction on Saturday.

Table Rentals (covers not provided)*:
First Table: \$20.00 - 2nd or more \$10.00 ea.
Display space (subject to availability)
No charge to registered participants
For reservations call: 785-222-2808

Register online at:
wireshow.rushcounty.org

"Celebrating 2 Winners"
150 Years in the Making



Schedule of Events

Barbed Wire Festival

May 2-5,
2024

La Crosse City Auditorium
La Crosse, Kansas

barbedwire@rushcounty.org
wireshow.rushcounty.org

Barbed Wire Festival



Museums Open Daily
May 1- Labor Day
Monday - Saturday
10:00 - 4:30
Sunday
1:00 - 4:30

Schedule of Events

Thursday - May 2, 2024

10:00am - 4:30pm - Museum Complex Open
3:00pm - 4:30pm - Exhibitor Early Set-up
City Auditorium (No sales or trade sessions)
5:30pm - Group Dining
Tracy's Pub & Grill (706 Main)
7:00pm - ABWS Meeting/KBWCA Meeting
Museum Hagemeyer Conference Room

Friday - May 3, 2024

10:00am - 4:30pm - Museum Complex Open

Events at the City Auditorium:

7:00am - Exhibitor Set-up
8:00am - Vendor Exhibits Open
all day - Exhibition: "Tribute to our Veterans"
all day - Barbed Wire & Collectibles Displays
all day - Trade Sessions
11:30 - 1:00 - Lunch Concessions
2:00pm - Judging of Displays
Pick up judging forms at registration desk
5:00pm - Auditorium closes

Downtown:

6:30 pm - Casino Night & Meal
La Crosse Fire Dist. No. 4 Station
1020 N. Main Street

Sponsored by:

Kansas Barbed Wire Collectors Association, Inc.
120 W. 1st Street / P.O. Box 578
La Crosse, Kansas 67548-0578
Phone 785.222.9900

Saturday - May 4, 2024

10:00am - 4:30pm - Museum Complex Open

Events at the City Auditorium:

8:00am - Vendor Exhibits Open
all day - Exhibition: "Tribute to our Veterans"
8:00am - 3:00pm - Displays Open
8:00am - 3:00pm - Trade Sessions
8:00am- 3:00pm - "Tribute to our Veterans"
10:00 - World Champion Splicing contest
Competition is open to everyone
Prizes awarded
11:30 - 1:00 - Lunch Concessions
3:00 p.m. - Antiques & Collectibles Auction
Consign items at the registration desk
4:30 p.m. - Auditorium closes
Display tear down

Rush Center:

6:30 p.m. - "The Winners Banquet"*
Walnut Valley Senior Center
Reservations required
220 Washington, Rush Center
(Map available at registration desk)
Program & Awards Ceremony following

Sunday - May 5, 2024

11:00am - Community Church Service & Picnic
Grass Park North Shelter
Sponsored by La Crosse United Methodist Church
Non-Denominational - ALL ARE WELCOME
1:00pm - 4:30pm - Museum Complex Open