**COMMUNITY CLUB 2024 RECAP**

 The Community Club had a busy year in 2024. In the first quarter, the Club once again hosted the annual Easter Egg Hunt and sponsored two $500 scholarships for graduates of Barron High School.

 In the second quarter, work began in earnest on planning the annual Fun Days which is done in partnership with the Fire Department and Knights of Columbus with funds going to both of those groups. One of the goals of president, Adam Parker, has been to do away with the gate fees for the Fun Days. With this mind, some ideas were discussed and a Poker Run was suggested. A decision was made to host a Poker Run in June. Perfect Image committed to the pay-outs and the date of June 22nd was set with 15 establishments participating. . While the day started out dry, it was not long before the rains began. However despite the rain, there was good participation. At the end of the afternoon a chicken dinner was served with the chicken donated by the Almena Meat Company and the Club brought in the band Old School for a street dance.

 This year two new events were added to the Fun Days. On Saturday afternoon Badger State Dirt Flingers were brought in for a mini rods event. And Swan Beach, who ran the craft show, sponsored a silent auction with all proceeds going to the Community Club.

 A special project this year was to provide funds for the gas for the caravan of trucks who transported supplies to North Carolina after the devastation of two major hurricanes.

 To close out the year, the Community Club once again sponsored Santa Claus Coming to Town and provided the treat bags for the kids and seniors in the village.

The Almena Community Club’s purpose is to promote Almena. Membership is open to any business or citizen who is interested in promoting Almena and serving its citizenry. The Club meets the first Monday of the month at the Almena Village Hall.