

COVID 19 UPDATE

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Thinking of Going to Green Bay? Oh no, Please don't go!

- There is a major outbreak of Covid 19 infections in Brown County, including Green Bay. The outbreak started at a meat processing plant but now is community spread; meaning people without symptoms are spreading it, and spreading it. The rate of spreading infections is the SECOND HIGHEST in the nation.
- Please do not go to Green Bay, or anywhere in Brown County, to shop or visit relatives. You could catch the virus from someone without symptoms and bring it home, to yourself, to those you love. Shop on line if you can. Walmart delivers to your car in the parking lot in Shawano if you need groceries (if you order a few days ahead).
- Please encourage your friends and relatives in Green Bay to stay home. Now is NOT the time to visit, it is the most important time for them to follow the Safer At Home directions. They could bring the virus here. They may not know they have it.
- Menominee County still has only one positive test of Covid 19; please do not risk bringing the virus here. We must all act responsibly.

Finally, Good Weather Forecasted

- Oh yeah, get outside. Exercise, get some Vitamin D from the sun (carefully), get some fresh air.
- But remember Social Distancing applies to outside. Chose activities which can be done “together but apart”, 6 feet apart. Walking, fishing with distance, biking, jogging, yard work, window washing—all good. Basketball, wrestling, gathering closely around a fire, grilling in close groups, multiple people in a boat—not good.

Shawano County Press Release: what does it mean for the community?

- 5 people who work at a business in Shawano have tested positive for Covid 19. They live in an adjacent county. There has NOT been an outbreak at that business. The employees are aware. The business remains open but is taking safety precautions. Shawano County public health department is not releasing the name of the business.
- There is no recommendation to test anyone associated with the business (employees or their families) unless they develop symptoms.

- There are likely to be rumors surrounding this issue. What community members need to do is double down on efforts to stay home, wear a cloth mask in public if you have access to one, wash hands often, keep social distancing. This issue emphasizes our need to be careful because the risk of virus spreading to us is real. Our only tool to prevent it is to practice Safer At Home.

Be safe, be smart, be careful and enjoy the weekend!