

McLean County community calendar: Events and activities to see and do

McLean County area food pantry October distribution dates, times and locations:

- Community Cupboard of Underwood food distribution: 10 a.m.-noon Oct. 5 and 4-6 p.m. Oct. 17, 208 Lincoln Ave. Like us on Facebook (Community Cupboard of Underwood), for distribution dates, thrift store and other information.
- Community Food Pantry serving Ryder, Makoti, Roseglen, Plaza, White Shield, Parshall and those in need: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Oct. 26, 181 Ellsworth St., Makoti.
- Community Thrift Store serving Ryder, Makoti, Roseglen, Plaza, White Shield, Parshall and the region: 3-6 p.m. Tuesday, 4-7 p.m. Thursday and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, except holidays, 181 Ellsworth St., Makoti.
- Free Community Clothing Share & Exchange Store: Every Thursday (except Thanksgiving Day), noon-6 p.m., 221 Main St., Turtle Lake.
- Garrison Area Resource Center & Food Pantry: Noon-2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Oct. 24, Garrison.
- McLean Family Resource Center: McLean County residents can contact the center, 701-462-8643, for an appointment to pick up baskets along with more information or assistance through the center, 205 Seventh St., Washburn.
- McLean Family Resource Center Clothing Outlet: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. first Saturday of every month, 205 Seventh St., Washburn.
- Our Savior Lord's Food Pantry: Noon-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Oct. 21, City Hall, 215 Main St., Max.
- The Lord's Pantry: 2-4 p.m. Oct. 10, 10 a.m.-noon Oct. 26, Trinity Lutheran Church, 515 Kundert St., Turtle Lake.
- Wilton Food Pantry, Wilton: "Mini" distributions every Friday, 11:30 a.m. until gone. Full food distribution, 4-6 p.m. Oct. 17, Senior Citizens Center, 42 Dakota Ave., Wilton.

Area food pantries often experience high needs for the following items: baked beans, pork and beans, canned fruit, tuna, chicken, vegetables, cereal, oatmeal, granola and breakfast bars, juice, macaroni and cheese, hamburger and tuna helper, pancake mix, syrup, pasta, spaghetti, Alfredo and pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, rice side dishes, soups, chili, and household items, such as body wash and soap, dish soap, laundry detergent, shampoo and conditioner, toilet paper, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Contact local food pantries for drop-off locations, information or a list of additional needs in your community.

October and early November events:

- Oct. 5: Our Savior's Lutheran Church Annual Fall Bazaar featuring raffle, rummage, bake sales and lunch, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Mercer.
- Oct. 6: Kickoff for Fire Prevention Week Freewill Breakfast, Fire Hall, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Garrison.
- Oct. 12: North Dakota Firefighter's Museum Hall of Fame banquet, featuring social, supper and Hall of Fame induction ceremonies, Firefighter's Museum and Garrison Fire Hall.
- Oct. 12: Sakakawea Pheasants Forever Fall Flush, beginning with 5:30 p.m. social with dinner, raffles and auction, Garrison City Auditorium.
- Oct. 23: Co-op Pie & Ice Cream 2 p.m.-4 p.m. at Turtle Lake American Legion.
- Oct. 24: Co-op Pie & Ice Cream 2 p.m. 4 p.m. at Garrison Auditorium
- Oct. 26: Evening Hike Series Halloween Hike, 7 p.m. Fort Stevenson State Park, Garrison.
- Oct. 26: Halloween Bash sponsored by McLean Family Resource Center, 4-7 p.m., soup and chili cookoff, music, kids costume contest and more, Washburn Memorial Hall.
- Oct. 26: Fall Frenzy Vendor Show, Memorial Hall, Wilton.
- Oct. 28: Preschool Story Hour, 10:30 a.m., Max Community Library.
- Oct. 29: Book Club, 7 p.m., Max Community Library.
- Oct. 31: Halloween Party, 3:30-5 p.m. Max Community Library.
- Oct. 31: Candy Caravan at Washburn businesses, 3:30-5 p.m.
- Oct. 31: Trunk or Treat, downtown Wilton.
- Oct. 31: Trick or Treat Down Main Street, 3-4 p.m., with children's trick or treating two blocks of the community's business district on Lincoln Ave., Underwood.

Nonprofit organizations and communities throughout McLean County can contact Patricia Stockdill at stockdill.patricia@gmail.com or 701-337-5462 to submit community events.

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