

Celebrate, relax at the Fort Atkinson Club

Submitted by the Fort Atkinson Club

The Fort Atkinson Club is a community center and event venue on the rise. Our mission is to connect, cooperate, learn, and celebrate. Check out our website at www.fortatkinsonclub.org.

Summer events

The summer season is full of fun at The Fort Atkinson Club. Host your own summer soirée or join one of our events open to the public. We are hosting many open events to welcome locals and tourists to our facility that will feature the warmth of the quaint community in which The Fort Atkinson Club is nestled. Call for a tour weekdays 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. or by appointment. Member hours and open houses are announced monthly in our e-newsletter which you can sign up

for on our website at www.fortatkinsonclub.org.

On July 9, The Fort Atkinson Club will be having a Music Festival from noon until 5 p.m. on the River Level and the patio. For more information please contact Chris Scherer at 920-728-7333.

Adults 18 and over are cordially invited to swing and sashay at our Contra Dance on July 15. Contra is sort of a cross between bluegrass and square dancing in which there is a caller. Fort Atkinson Club director, Renae Mitchell said with a smile, "Contra is done in lines and sometimes squares. It doesn't usually involve frilly skirts. People can dress however they want. You don't have to know anything. The caller leads you through the dance steps and participants help each other with a gentle nudge and a laugh. It's a lot of fun. I first met my husband at a summer

contra dance!"

Our graceful 1912 Wisconsin Craftsman style building underwent a very tasteful renovation in 2014 and reopened in 2015, through the generosity of community donors. The former businessmen's club and Masonic lodge is listed on the Wisconsin State Register of Historic Places. We are now a self-funded community center. Members and donors help us provide a space at a reduced rate for community meetings and events such as winter Farmer's Markets, concerts, educational seminars, theatrical plays and classes in music, dance, drawing, painting and Thai Chi that are open to the public. We provide tables and chairs, a fully equipped banquet kitchen with dishes, a smaller café kitchen, two pianos, a movable stage, 70 inch computer monitors and audio-visual equipment.



Front view of the elegant Fort Atkinson Club. (Photo submitted by The Fort Atkinson Club)

By connecting with community partners we provide a place where people can create their own ideas of how communities interact. Many

programs are open to the public such as, our arts and wellness classes, spring and fall free lectures series, fun bowling parties or game nights and public dances like the Contra Dance scheduled for July 15th! Those who chose to join The Fort Atkinson Club can enjoy relaxing in the solarium, having a "tailgate potluck" before a big game or dream up other ideas of how they want to use the space. You'll be notified of upcoming events through our monthly e-newsletter.

Service clubs and non-profit groups enjoy holding their meetings and fund-raisers in the wide variety and sizes of

rooms. We've hosted women's club meetings, emergency management team trainings, health and wellness workshops, art shows, conferences, poetry festivals and more. We are also available for private parties and events so call 920-568-1720 to discuss your plans!

Event venue and meeting center

The Fort Atkinson Club offers a beautiful setting in an elegant, historic building with over one hundred windows overlooking the Rock River. Imagine hosting an event in a stylish 19th century building with shiny hard-

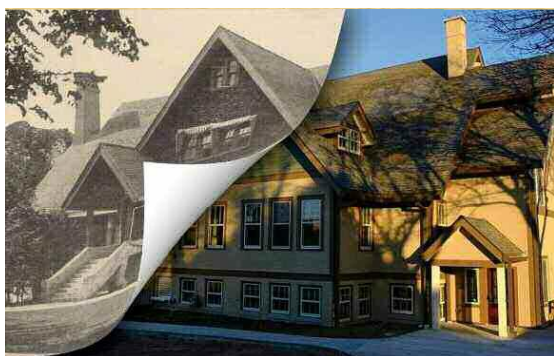
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Events large and small can be booked at The Fort Atkinson Club. (Photo of Coady wedding party submitted by The Fort Atkinson Club)

The Fort Atkinson Club Community Center

CONNECT. COOPERATE. LEARN. CELEBRATE.



Celebrate the Many Stages of Life in this Elegant and Historic Building along the beautiful Rock River!

- Weddings
- Showers
- Birthdays
- Anniversaries
- Office Meetings
- Holiday Parties
- Retirements
- Funeral Luncheons
- Family Reunions

Call or stop by to discuss availability & usage rates.

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