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Concordia Ballroom eNews

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We're excited to re-open the Concordia Ballroom!

The Concordia has been closed for public dancing since March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Now that many people have been vaccinated, we're going to 'test the waters' with two public dances this spring. We'll find out if people are feeling safe enough to come out to a dance.

The US Centers for Disease Control is still encouraging people to wear face masks and socially distance when gathering in public with people outside your immediate circle of friends and family. Here are our guidelines:

- Please wear a mask and take turns on the dance floor so that there is roughly 6 feet between couples on the floor.
 - Don't attend if you're not feeling well, have tested positive, or been exposed to someone with COVID in the last 7 days.
 - Don't attend if you are not fully vaccinated (at least 7 days since your last dose of the vaccine).
 - Don't attend if you have a severely weakened immune system (immunocompromised).
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George's Concertina Band

April 18, 2021, 1-5 pm

Tickets \$10 at the door

George Palma, concertina player and band leader, was influenced by some of the great concertina musicians, including Jerry Schueft, Ernie Coopman, Jerry Minar and Elmer Schied. George's 4-piece band plays a wide variety of dances, including polka, waltz, modern, classic country and schottische and has multiple recordings.



Steve Meisner Band

May 2, 2021, 1-5 pm

Tickets \$10 at the door

Steve plays traditional American polka with fresh spark and swing, while retaining the roots of the music. Steve has performed with the nation's top polka icons, including Myron Floren, Frank Yankovic, Joey Miskulin, and his father, Verne Meisner. He has won numerous polka music awards. Steve says, "Music is a large part of the soul of our society and I want to touch that part of people's soul...that part of their soul that makes a difference in their lives and shows them that music and dancing can excite, motivate and heal."



We've been busy giving the Concordia a facelift.
Come to an **Open House** to see the updated space!

Open House Events

May 12, 19 or 26 4:30-7 pm

**Brats & popcorn for purchase in the parking lot.
The bar will be open for purchases of canned or
bottled beverages.**

If you're planning a family or community event, this is a great opportunity to see how our event space can meet your needs. The improvements to the building are many, and include interior painting, new tile floor in the bar area, a refinished dance floor, and a new stage area.

Masks Required Indoors





Concordia Annual Polkafest

July 10, 2021, 1-5 pm

Mark your calendar for the Concordia's annual Polkafest! We'll be serving brats and fixings, with a cash bar. More information coming soon; stay tuned!



The Concordia is open for rental for private events.
Bookings for 2021 and 2022 are going fast!

HISTORIC COMMUNITY HALL FEATURES

- Capacity is 240 people (Wisconsin COVID guidance will be followed)
- Space is 40' x 71', wood dance floor
- A full-service bar and large kitchen
- Stage for music or entertainment
- Lots of parking, plus handicap ramp

What can you do to support the Concordia?

- *Become a member!* Join us and stay informed by becoming a member of the Concordia Aid Society. Memberships are \$30/yr. Approval occurs at the following monthly membership meeting. Send us a membership check or join via our [website](#).
- *Volunteer!* We welcome volunteers, both members and friends. Because there is a lot to do, we need your help! Tasks include cutting the lawn, weed whipping, taking cans to recycle center, interior tasks like cleaning, counting inventory, doing audits, and assisting with marketing. If you have electrical skills (certified), expertise in carpentry, or website management, we'd love to have your help.
- *Become a bartender.* Bartending is a great way to meet new people and enjoy events at the Concordia. Get your license and let's talk!
- *Donate!* Consider a donation to the Concordia to help us get through this difficult time. Donate by check or on our website. Memorial donations are a wonderful way to celebrate a someone's life, especially someone who enjoyed dancing, attended Concordia events, or had a special place in their hearts for the Concordia Ballroom. Maybe you, your parents, grandparents, or great grandparents met at the

Concordia or were married here? Maybe your loved one was a regular attendee at the Sunday dances?

- *Book the Concordia* for your upcoming personal and family events. We have a large facility and can accommodate people being physically distanced from each other for many events, such as: exercise, dance with limited partners, exhibits, blood drives, celebrations of life events, smaller marriage parties, and so on. If you know someone who could use just this kind of space, please encourage them to contact the Concordia.
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Thanks to everyone who donated their time, treasure (or both) to the Concordia! Your generosity will keep the Concordia operating as a dance, exercise, and event space in the La Crosse community!

Donations by check can be sent to the Concordia Aid Society, [1129 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, WI 54601](#), or make an online donation via our [website](#). If you are interested in volunteering, contact Jenny Heth,

President 2020-2021, at 507-313-9430. All other inquiries can be made via our website or call the hall at 608.782.7049.

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