

Friday Educational Seminars

Join us for one of these sessions in the Royal Credit Union **ACTIVITY ZONE** and learn from our expert members on how to care for and update your home.

12:30pm – Managing Your Property for Income

Presented by: Brooke Peterson, *General Property Management, LLC*

This seminar explores the growing interest in residential property management among homeowners navigating today's housing market. Many owners, especially those with low-interest mortgages, are reconsidering selling and looking at their current home as a long-term investment. Attendees will learn what it realistically looks like to rent out a property and how partnering with a professional property management company works, including marketing and showings, tenant screening, lease compliance, rent collection, maintenance, and turnovers. Designed to be practical and approachable, this session provides clear guidance for homeowners interested in turning their home into a reliable income-producing asset.

1:15pm – Top It Off: Countertops Made Easy

Presented by: Dana Baliff, *Selective Countertops LLC*

This seminar offers an informative overview of today's most popular countertop materials, including laminate, solid surface, granite, and quartz. Attendees will learn the key differences between each option, including durability, maintenance, appearance, and cost considerations. Designed to help homeowners make confident, informed decisions, this session breaks down what to expect from each material and how to choose the right fit for their lifestyle and budget.

2:00pm – Permit Smart: Avoid Delays and Hassles

Presented by: William Youngberg, *City of Eau Claire Inspections Department*

This seminar provides a clear, step-by-step overview of the permitting and inspection process for residential projects. Attendees will learn the basics of how to apply for a permit, what information and documentation are required, and what to expect during the inspection process. The session also covers which types of inspections are required and when they occur, helping homeowners better understand timelines, requirements, and how to avoid common delays.

3:00pm – Building or Remodeling? A Smart Guide to Home Financing

Presented by: Jane Gobler & Jodi Kurth, *WNB Financial*

Thinking about building your dream home or transforming your current space? This seminar will guide you through the essentials of financing new construction and renovation projects. Learn about loan options, budgeting tips, and how to turn your vision into reality with confidence. Whether you're planning a major remodel or starting from the ground up, we'll simplify the process and answer your questions so you can move forward with clarity.