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Where's Wando
We've hidden Wando somewhere in this issue of 365ink.
Can you find him?



Well, we had a Thanksgiving wonderland there for a while. I can't say I'm sorry to see the snow go even though I know our friends from Sundown, who grace this cover of 365ink, would prefer to see it stay. Ever since I became a toy delivery man of sorts, I've come to appreciate non-snowy winters. There's nothing quite like scaling Mount Main Street to carry boxes of toys over heaps of snow or through lakes of slush. Then again, it's not all that helpful to drive through town with exposed boxes of toys in the rain and fog, either. But like the mail, we've gotta get er' done, rain or shine by our deadline date.

The week-later Thanksgiving has made the shopping season a week shorter for most people, and for some reason, some of the organizations I serve through Toys For Tots decided that they absolutely need to be distributing their toys to families the weekend of December 7th. I'm not sure why. I think it's probably because they want to see me die an early death of stress. Less than a week after public toy collections begin, I'm expected to have thousands of toys packed up and ready to roll. Now you see why this is a year round gig in many respects.

Somewhere in there, I've got to keep making newspapers. Oh, Joy!

We went shopping for Toys For Tots on Black Friday, and I guess you now call it Black Thursday, though some luddites still like to call it Thanksgiving day. If not for Toys For Tots, I would not go near a major retailer on those days. It's not a pretty sight. But we do it because it's the responsible thing to do to extend the buying power of every dollar. If you didn't notice, Walgreens toys are half price on Thanksgiving day. And they are nice toys. Who can say no to five dollar full size footballs and basketballs and remote control cars? Not this jolly fat man.

Every time we shop Wal-Mart for this event, I'm sure I curse myself as we attempt to get to the checkout with no luck. You think it's bad with a cart full of goodies, try traversing Wal-Mart on Black Thursday with a train of five or six carts that have to stay together. Just shoot me in the face. But we do it and end up with some very nice things like kids' scooters for \$13. Of course, we're extremely organized. So when we get to the checkout, people are amazed to see us be done in about two minutes because we have one of each item ready for scanning

and a count of how many we got. Then we do it all over again on Friday at Menards who also has amazing Black Friday prices on toys. They also had two massive boxes full of donated toys from patrons also waiting for us and a crew of helpful workers aided us in getting out hundreds of toys in the truck.

Did I mention we shop with a box truck? Thank you Doug Warthan, Kevin Kotz and crew at Dubuque Auto Plaza for that. We filled a six pallet box truck four feet deep twice in two days with toys. Not bad for small crew of insane people with a credit card. And this weekend we'll do it all again when we go to Theisen's.

Per usual, Theisen's was the first place to report full donation boxes this season. Aside from being awesome to us as a corporate sponsor, already getting us 48 full sized snowboards this year and a generous \$2,000 More for Your Community Grant, they also host the annual Stuff the Truck event. On Saturday, December 7th, we'll work to match the \$10,000 worth of toys and cash that we have raised at the event each of the last two years. Radio Dubuque will be supercasting live from the store. We hope you can stop by and participate while also taking advantage of the big sale prices on toys for yourself. Santa should show up during the day as well as the Marines! And when we're all pooped out from a day of work, we'll muster more energy and head down to the Saints' hockey game where the Toys For Tots Teddy Bear Toss will happen after the Saints score their first goal of the night. Gametime 7:05 p.m. Be there!

All in all, Toys For Tots is a pretty well oiled machine. As long as I tend the machine well, it seems to work out in the end.

The same is apparently true of my snowblower which got its first workout of the season before Thanksgiving. Apparently if you let enough of the little plastic bands that bundle together copies of 365ink get sucked in and wrapped up in the blades of your snowblower, it will eventually stop blowing snow. So you find yourself outside sitting on a five gallon bucket in the dark with a pliers and an exacto knife cutting it all out of there so the thing can turn again. Not a great start to the season. And if you are a general yard care procrastinator like me, you may have found yourself snowplowing as many wet leaves as you did snow. The snowblower is also not a big fan of wet, sticky leaves. Note to self!

Merry Early Christmas everyone. Here's hoping we all come out unscathed on the other side!

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December 6, 7, 13

Back to back games on December 6-7 start with Ron Burgundy Night... It's Kind of a Big Deal on Friday vs. Team USA and then the much-loved Toys For Tots Teddy Bear Toss night arrives on Saturday the 7th at 7:05 p.m. Santa is on hand to present the Teddy Bear Toss presented by Queen B Radio: Bring a new teddy bear to the game, and throw it on the ice for the Marine Corps charity after the Saints' first goal! And one last home game before Christmas comes on Friday, Dec. 13 at 7:35 p.m., again vs. Team USA. It's Fireman Bernie Bobblehead Giveaway night (first 1,000 fans) presented by Dubuque Fire Equipment. Visit dubuquefightingsaints.com for details and tickets.

their goals. In addition to enjoying the talented NISOM musicians on stage, the holiday crowd can peruse the holiday displays, shop and dine at the building's various offerings, and most importantly get photos taken with Santa Claus! If you are interested in making a contribution, or for complete information about Playathon and all other NISOM events throughout the year, call NISOM at (563) 690-0151 or visit www.nisom.com.



Art at Your Library
Holiday Art Show
Friday December 6, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Carnegie-Stout Public Library

Carnegie-Stout Public Library will host the opening of a very special Art at Your Library Holiday Art Show from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. You will get the chance to meet 23 talented local artists who will be exhibiting and selling their art.

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Joseph Hall's "ELVIS" New Year's Eve, 7 PM

Joseph Hall's resume includes top ten on "America's Got Talent 2008" on NBC and is also recognized as a top three Elvis Tribute Artist by the Elvis Presley Estate. Joseph has also played the "Legends in Concert" in Las Vegas as well as headlined the "Elvis Cruise" in 2007. He is the 2010 Branson Male Performer of the Year. Joseph Hall is HOT BABY!! Joseph does such an incredible job recreating the moves, the look, and the sound of Elvis Presley, that you will think you are watching the King himself!

Tickets:
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DR. JIM WAND HYPNOTIST
SATURDAY, JANUARY 25
 COCKTAILS: 6 PM, SHOW: 7 PM

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TICKETS: \$22 (ADV.) \$25 (DOOR)

Playathon
A Roshek Christmas
 December 6, 4-8PM

Playathon
Friday, December 6, 4-8 p.m.
Roshek Building

The Northeast Iowa School of Music (NISOM) invites the public to attend the annual student fundraiser recital, Playathon, this year held in conjunction with the Roshek Building's "A Roshek Christmas" on Friday, December 6, from 4-8PM in the lobby of the Roshek Building, 700 Locust St, Dubuque, IA. Playathon is sponsored in part by American Bank & Trust. Playathon is NISOM's primary student fundraiser of the year, as well as the first recital of the season. The recital is free and open to the public, and donations will be gratefully accepted during the event. Prior to performing at Playathon, NISOM students work to collect contributions, and earn a wide array of prizes as a reward for reaching

Away in the Basement
A Church Basement Ladies Christmas

Away in the Basement:
A Church Basement Ladies Christmas
December 6-8, 12-15, & 19-22
Bell Tower Theater

Enjoy a Christmas program of good tidings, great humor, and joy. In this musical comedy by Greta Grosch with music and lyrics by Drew Jansen, children are rehearsing in the sanctuary for the Sunday School Christmas program one Saturday morning in 1959. The Church Basement Ladies are finishing up the goodie bags and putting final touches on the Nativity pieces, when, once again, they are called upon to step in and save the day. Performances are 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, 8:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 3:00 p.m. on Sundays at Bell Tower Theater in Fountain Park Plaza, 2728 Asbury Rd. For tickets or more information, call (563) 588-3377 or visit www.belltowertheater.net.

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November – April

The Colts Center, 1101 Central Ave.
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aquarium at 1 p.m., on both days, and don't forget your camera! The National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, located in the Port of Dubuque, operates daily from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Please visit www.rivermuseum.com or call 563-557-9545 for more information. You can also get \$5 off admission and a free ticket to their super cool 3D-4D theater if you take a new toy to donate to Toys For Tots!



Holiday Cookie Walk
Saturday December 7, 8 a.m.- 1 p.m.
St. John's Episcopal Church
1458 Locust St.

St. John's Episcopal Church will host their Annual Holiday Cookie Walk on from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Cookies, candies, cakes, breads, homemade chili and chicken noodle soup will be for sale. There will also be a large assortment of Holiday Gifts and Treasures.

Annual Holiday Open House
Saturday, December 7, 10a.m.-5p.m.
Sunday, December 8, 11 a.m.-4p.m.
Outside the Lines Art Gallery

OTLAG hosts their annual Holiday Open House where tea and cookies await customers to enjoy as they shop. One lucky customer will win a \$100 gallery gift certificate. Gallery artists will be on hand for the Open House 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. both days. On Saturday, Gail Chavenelle will sign and have miniature sculptures \$5 off this day only. On Sunday, Ali Kauss will have a Jewelry Trunk Show with original design necklaces, pendants, and bracelets crafted from sterling silver, pearls, and semi-precious stones as well as unexpected elements such as antler. For more information, visit www.otlag.com.



Scuba Santa Returns
Dec 7-8
National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium

The National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium invites you to get in the holiday spirit with "Scuba Santa" on Dec. 7th and 8th. Scuba Santa is included with regular admission to the Museum & Aquarium. See Santa scuba dive in the Gulf of Mexico

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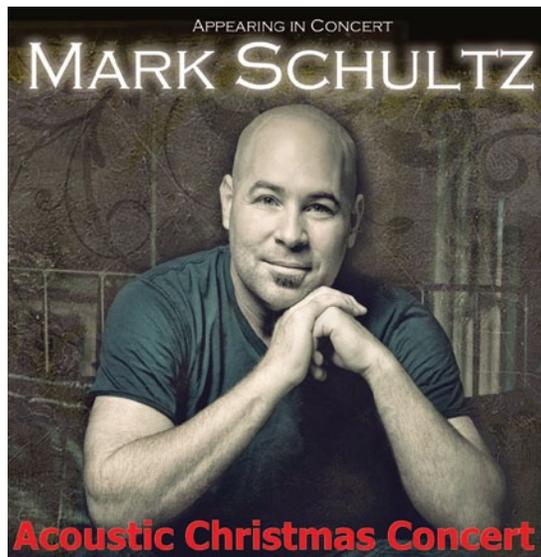
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**Christian Music Artist Mark Schultz
Acoustic Christmas Concert
Saturday, December 7, 7:30 p.m.
Hope Church, 11893 JFK Road**

Dove Award winning Contemporary Christian artist Mark Schultz brings his amazing acoustic Christmas show to Dubuque's Hope Church on December 7, at 7:30 p.m.

A virtually unheard-of feat for a new artist, performing at the storied Ryman Auditorium landed Mark Schultz a record deal. That record went on to sell over 1.3 million albums and garnered him 10 No. 1 singles to date. Mark has landed the top spot on Billboard magazine's Christian Adult Contemporary Songwriter list and has been featured on "48 Hours" "CNN" and "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition."

In 2011, Schultz released his first instrumental album, Renaissance and his first novella, titled "Letters From War," based on his hit song. His 2005 release, Mark Schultz Live: A Night of Stories & Songs, was certified Platinum by the R.I.A.A. and earned Schultz his first GMA Dove Award. Mark's latest album, "All Things Possible" was released on September 4, 2012. The album's lead single, "All Things Possible" was released on July 17, 2012.

As an adopted child, Schultz believes that giving to orphans in need is part of his life's purpose. Specifically, he has been a spokesperson for Bethany Christian Services, World Vision, Compassion, Food For the Hungry and The Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute. In 2011, Schultz and his wife started the Remember Me Mission, which is a non-profit dedicated to helping orphans all over the world, supporting healthcare and education.

Join Mark's mission of hope at the church of the same name on December 7. General Admission tickets are just \$20 and available at Moondog Music, Knipple's Religious Gifts or online at etix.com. The event will also support Marine Corps Toys For Tots.

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**The Mistletoes present Snowbiz
A dinner-theater style Christmas Concert
December 20 & 21, 6 p.m.
Hotel Julien Dubuque**

Celebrate the season in style with a full-length Christmas show from the Mistletoes as they present another season of Snowbiz! The Grinch-defying cool yule event features many of your favorite holiday tunes with incredible vocals, and a live jazz orchestra, all featuring some very recognizable faces from the Dubuque music community.

The Mistletoes promise to put you in the Christmas spirit with this most Festive of offerings—staged dinner-theatre style—in the Grande Ballroom of the beautiful and historic Hotel Julien Dubuque. Yes, we said dinner!

The Hotel Julien Dubuque's Executive Chef pulls out all the stops with a scrumptious meal that includes a Festive holiday salad, a mouth-watering entrée duet, and a decadent yuletide dessert. Dinner also includes a complimentary glass of wine and a cash bar is available with wait service throughout the performance.

Showtimes are Friday and Saturday nights, December 20 and 21, with cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the show at 7:30 p.m. You could even get a room and the Julien and make a night of it!

Tickets are \$55 each and reservations are required by December 19th. Call 800-798-7098 or find more information online at mistletoes.biz or hoteljulien-dubuque.com.

And hey, if you've got a big event this season that needs some pep, the Mistletoes are also available for private events. Call 563-599-7775.



**John Tesh Big Band Christmas
Sunday, December 15, 7 p.m.
Mississippi Moon Bar, Diamond Jo Casino**

With his consistent cast of notable musicians on stage, this twelve piece big band takes audiences on a journey through holiday classics and John Tesh signature songs for a full evening of entertainment. John's bigger than life personality comes through on stage with his stories, humor and occasional life enhancing tips from his "Intelligence for Your Life" radio show that is syndicated on over 370 radio stations in North America.



John Tesh has won four Emmy Awards, been a two-time Grammy nominee, was an anchor on Entertainment Tonight for ten years, had six hit public television specials, and a string of #1 radio hits. His breakthrough success in music came about when NBC held a contest to find a new NBA theme song with a requirement that all entries be submitted anonymously. John won the contest and his theme song was eventually played on every NBC broadcast of the NBA and also won an Emmy Award. It was this event that proved that he could be successful as a musician and composer.

The concert takes place at the Mississippi Moon Bar in the Diamond Jo Casino during the week that the venue celebrates its 5th anniversary in its current location in the Port of Dubuque. So you can bet there will also be great dining specials to be had as well, so plan ahead to make a night of it and grab dinner at one of the Casino's four great restaurant options.

Tickets for the show are \$25-\$35 and are available on line at diamondjo.com or visit the Diamond Club Counter at the Diamond Jo Casino.

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Loras College Athletic and Wellness Center

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The New Diggings General Store and Inn
Saturday, December 7, 2013
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9th Annual Diggs Christmas Charity Auction
Saturday, December 7, 4 p.m.
New Diggings General Store & Inn
2944 County Rd. W.

Do some Christmas shopping while helping raise money for local food pantries, Toys for Tots, college scholarships, and more. This event is simply a hoot. No one hosts an auction quite like Lou and Kelli. For more information, visit www.newdiggings.com or see Page 10 for an ad with more details.

Bake Sale and Fundraiser
Sunday December 8, 8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
St. Raphael Cathedral

St. Raphael Cathedral's Bake Sale and Fundraiser will be held from 8:00am to 6:30pm in the Cathedral. There are silent auction items, holiday plants, raffle baskets and an assortment of baked items. All proceeds benefit St. Raphael partner parishes in Tencancingo, El Salvador.

Cocoa and Carols: A Night of Holiday Entertainment
Friday December 13, 7 p.m.
Western Dubuque High School

The Western Dubuque High School Vocal Music Department presents: Cocoa and Carols: A Night of Holiday Entertainment. School doors open at 6:00pm and the show begins at 7:00pm. The evening will also include a performance from the Aristocrats and The 5th Avenue Show Choir. Admission is \$5. Kids 5 and under free.

For a Blessed Christmas
December 7, 7:30 p.m.
December 8, 2 p.m.
Sacred Heart Chapel,
Clarke University

Staged in the beauty of Clarke's Sacred Heart Chapel, "For a Blessed Christmas" is

IMAGINATION CELEBRATION

Imagination Celebration
December 14, 10 a.m.
St. Mark's Youth Enrichment Center

The Great Midwestern Educational Theatre Co (GMETC) will host their annual Imagination Celebration on December 14th starting at 10:00am. This year's celebration will be held at the St. Mark's Youth Enrichment Center, 1201 Locust Street, Dubuque. New this year will be the talents of "The Collegium Fragalorum" puppeteers from Sparta, Wisconsin presenting Something of An Imagination, a holiday-themed show that reminds us of the happiness that comes of giving in non-material ways. This fun, free, family-friendly event is made possible by a grant from Mediacom. The Imagination Celebration is an annual event for GMETC since 2006.

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Jingle Bell Hop
by St. Mark's Youth Enrichment
Sunday, December 8, 1-4 p.m.
Five Flags Center

It's a huge children's dance at the Five Flags Center, moving, for the first time this year, from the Fairgrounds for even more convenience for families! It's designed to be a fun, interactive, festive afternoon of joy for area youngsters. The joint will simply be teeming with wired kids having a blast, dancing, bouncing in the giant inflatables, getting balloon animals made for them, painting their faces, picking up goodie bags, doing arts and crafts, enjoying cookies and hot chocolate and so much more. It's some kind of controlled

chaos that really isn't as chaotic as it sounds. It's really quite fun to watch. These kids are having a blast and it's all for a great cause. St Mark Youth Enrichment is grateful to Prudential for their support of this year's Jingle Bell Hop, as well as other great business partners who play a key role.

Every year 365ink has been there to take every child or family's photo with the jolly fat man and then post the photos online for everyone to download for free. This year, not only can you still download your photos for free from the Dubuque365 Facebook page (www.facebook.com/dubuque365), but you can also visit Walgreens at JFK and Dodge (the one on Highway 20) starting the Tuesday after the event and pick up your FREE 4x6 photo of the kids with Santa. This year's event will take place in the Five Flags Center Ballroom, Sunday, December 8,

from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

There will also be raffles of cool toys and a bike giveaway! Cost is \$2 per person with advance ticket (please note, families only need one ticket, no need to have one for each individual). Otherwise, without the ticket the cost is \$4 at the door. All of the kids get great goodie bags. Tickets are available after Thanksgiving at Molo Big 10 Mart's, Jumpin' Janes, Walgreens and St. Mark's Youth Enrichment Center. All funds received from this event will be used in support of St. Mark's programs. For more information call 563-582-6211 ext. 108.



The Best Christmas Pageant Ever
December 20-21, 7:30 p.m.
December 22, 3 p.m.

First Baptist Church, 2143 Judson Dr.

What happens when you combine a beloved children's story with a passionate bunch of talented thespians? That's right, the Best Christmas Pageant Ever! In this hilarious Christmas classic written by Barbara Robinson, a couple struggling to lead a church Christmas pageant is faced with casting the Herdman kids—possibly the most inventively awful kids in history. You won't believe the mayhem – and the fun – when the Herdmans collide with the Christmas story head on! This production will be directed by Alison Ott and features a multiracial cast. Each show has a limited seating capacity of 85 seats. Please reserve your tickets early. Tickets are \$5 and available for purchased at First Baptist Church, 2143 Judson Dr., Dubuque IA. The box office will be open Monday-Friday 4-6pm. Call 563-583-6289 for information and tickets.

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The 4th Annual Theisen's Stuff the Truck event to benefit Marine Corps Toys For Tots returns Saturday and Sunday, December 7th and 8th. Radio Dubuque will supercast live at the Dubuque Theisen's on Sept. 7th while shoppers take advantage of their annual toy sale, 25%-40% off (or bring in a toy). Santa will pop-in during the day and the Marine Corps will be there too as will the Boy Scouts of Dubuque as we look to match the amazing \$10,000 in cash and toys raised in 2012!



Theisen's is a WONDERFUL supporter of Toys For Tots. You should be a WONDERFUL supporter of this Dubuque-based, locally-owned business and stop by that weekend to buy something on sale for a local child and a few nice things for yourself and your family while you are at it.



Every year since 1946, the Marine Corps Reserve Toys For Tots Programs has brought the hope and joy of the holiday season to millions of children and families across America, and Dubuque is once again proud to be a strong part of that effort.

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nationwide, the Tri-State Toys For Tots locomotive is already full steam ahead for 2013, but it is up to you to make the effort a success once again. The goal is to fully support the needs of nearly 5,000 children in Dubuque County, IA, Grant County, WI, and Jo Daviess County, IL.

Keep an eye out in your favorite local retailers for official Toys For Tots donation bins. Plus, look and listen for more information on local special events supporting Toys For Tots including the awesome Teddy Bear Toss with Santa Claus at the Dubuque Fighting Saints game the night of the Stuff the Truck event, Dec. 7th. at the Mystique ice Arena.



You may also choose to coordinate a toy drive inside your workplace. If so, e-mail bryce@dubuque365.com to coordinate. You can also keep up with local toys drive events and more on Facebook.com/DBQToysForTots. Information about the Marine Corps Reserve Toys For Tots Charity as well as online donations can be made at www.toysfortots.org. All donations stay local and cash donations are tax deductible.

Locally, Toys For Tots serves children and families through the many agencies that serve those families year round including the Salvation Army, the Dept. of Human Services, Project Concert, Operation New View, Veterans Affairs, the Grand County Holiday Project and more, but does not serve families directly. GIVE HOPE this holiday season, and Semper Fi!

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9th Annual Diggs Christmas Auction

The New Diggings General Store and Inn
Saturday, December 7, 2013
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The 2012 auction raised a total of **\$8,400** and benefited the following:

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- Shullsburg Food Pantry \$1025
- Benton Food Pantry \$625
- Benton School District Empty Stocking Fund \$400
- Tri-States Toys for Tots \$625
- \$800 College Scholarships
 - Hazel Green: Jason Homer
 - Benton: Lauren Malone
 - Shullsburg: Chet Scott
 - Scales Mound: Michael Foley
 - Cuba City: Austin Kilburg

There are many ways to help support the New Diggings General Store and Inn's 9th Annual Christmas Charity Auction. You can donate an unwrapped gift for the Auction by **Thursday, December 5th**, a perishable gift by **Friday, December 6th**, or you can simply show up for the Auction on **December 7th** and join in all the fun!

The Diggs is an official Tri-States MARINE CORPS RESERVE TOYS FOR TOTS Donation Site! Toys will be collected on December 7th after the auction!

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demonstrates an impact on the Dubuque community.

The next Art Gumbo Soup Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, December 19, 6-8 p.m. at St. Mark Community Center, 1201 Locust Street in Dubuque.



The public is invited to attend and vote for their favorite proposal. A \$10 donation at the door entitles the attendee to a locally prepared soup dinner and the opportunity to review all submitted proposals and to vote for their favorite. The Art Gumbo fund's nightly proceeds will be awarded to the two proposals that receive the most votes. The proceeds are split in a 70/30 fashion.

Art Gumbo

Submission Deadline: December 15
Soup Dinner: Thursday, December 19, 6-8 p.m.
St. Mark Community Center

Art Gumbo, a quarterly soup dinner that supports local art projects with community-supported micro-funding, is now accepting applications from individual artists or creative for the winter funding cycle. Art Gumbo applications are available now through Thursday, December 15. Applications are available at artgumbodubuque.blogspot.com. The first seven eligible applications received by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, December 15 will qualify to compete for funding.

Art Gumbo is an independent community-based initiative that funds local arts projects using money collected at quarterly soup dinners. During each Art Gumbo funding cycle, artists or arts organizations are invited to submit a brief project proposal that



DubuqueFest Fine Arts Fair Call For Artists

DubuqueFest Fine Arts Festival is now accepting applications for the 37th annual juried fine art fair scheduled for May 17 and 18, 2014 in Dubuque, Iowa. All interested fine artists and fine craft artisans are encouraged to apply. The juried fine art fair features the work of 85 artists & artisans from across the region. The application fee is \$110. The jury fee: \$15 (non-refundable) and two Emerging Artist Scholarships are also available. \$1000 cash prizes are awarded to Best of Show, Second Place, & Third Place during an artist's appreciation reception on Saturday, May 18 at the Dubuque Museum of Art. Applications are available now through February 15, 2014. Download the application at www.dubuquefest.org. To request one by mail contact Paula paula@dubuquefest.org or by calling 563.564.5290.







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Jim McDonough's Holiday Grande 2013
Saturday, Dec 14, 2:30 & 7:30 p.m.
Five Flags Theater

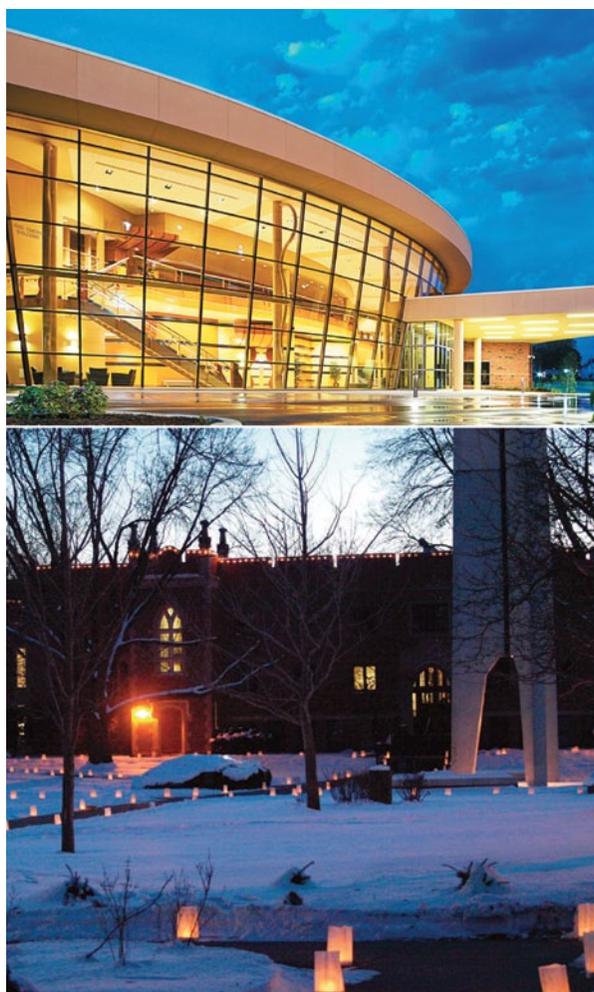
Jim's McDonough's annual "Holiday Grande" concert tour has become a must-attend tradition for thousands of families each Christmas. The spectacular holiday stage production includes Jim at the grand piano, his 15-piece orchestra, a cast of singers and dancers, elaborate sets and costumes and the true spirit of the season.

In 2010, Jim was honored by the legendary piano maker, Steinway & Sons, naming him to its worldwide artist roster. From classical pianists like Lang Lang, to jazz stars like Diana Krall and Harry Connick Jr., to pop icons like Billy

Joel, to "immortals" like Irving Berling and Cole Porter; as a Steinway Artist, McDonough joins an exclusive international list of the most accomplished and discriminating performing artists.

Today, Jim is touring the country, preparing a new CD, and working to get the word out about his music to fans from coast to coast.

Tickets for this holiday classic are \$34, \$38 and \$43. All tickets are reserved seats and facility fees may apply. Groups of 20 ore more receive a discount, Call (800) 375-7095 for more information to locally, (563)-589-4258 for the box office or visit www.fiveflagscenter.com or ticketmaster.com for tickets.



Live at Heritage Center

On This Day Earth Shall Ring: Christmas at Heritage Center
Saturday, December 14, 7 p.m.
Heritage Center, Univ. of Dubuque

Following in the tradition of 15 years of "Christmas on the Quad," please plan to join in for this new UD tradition in the acoustically unparalleled John and Alice Butler Hall. UD's Fine and Performing Arts Department celebrates the birth of Christ through this dynamic concert production featuring choral, instrumental, and dance performances. This artistic gift to the community offers free admission for all, and promises to bring renewed spiritual meaning to the Christmas season. A holiday pre-show dinner buffet will be offered in conjunction with this concert.

This show features free general admission admission for everyone to come and discover the new center and celebrate the joy of Christmas. There will be a reserved seating section for series subscribers. A pre-show dinner will also be served with a reservation deadline of December 1. Call for details, 563-585-SHOW.



Holiday Celebration
Be Merry!
DECEMBER 7 - 8 * FIVE FLAGS THEATER
featuring soprano Sarah Ellis, the Dubuque Chorale and members of the Heartland Ballet.

Celebrate Christmas with the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra and Friends
December 7-8
Five Flags Theater

The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra presents stunning musical arrangements of cherished Christmas carols and songs of the season at its annual Holiday Celebration Concerts on December 7 and 8 at the Five Flags Theater. Performances are Saturday at 7:30pm and Sunday at 2:00pm.

"Christmas at the Dubuque Symphony has become a tradition," commented William Intriligator, music director and conductor. "With a professional symphony orchestra, the Dubuque Chorale and wonderful guests like soprano Sarah Ellis and dancers from the Heartland Ballet we create a Holiday concert experience that can't be beat. We are honored to have people come back year after year to celebrate with us."

Concert goers will enjoy traditional pieces such as Leroy Anderson's "Christmas Festival Overture" and "Sleigh Ride", selections from Tchaikovsky's The Nutcracker, and Handel's Hallelujah Chorus. Over 90 singers in the Dubuque Chorale will perform "Ding Dong! Merrily on High", "Candles and Dreidels" and a piece titled "Hodie" by composer and Dubuque-native Michael Gilbertson.



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HOLIDAY FAMILY CONCERT
Saturday, December 7
1:00pm at Five Flags Theater
One-hour concert just for kids!

Guest soloist soprano Sarah Ellis, who grew up in Platteville, WI, will be featured in "I'll be Home for Christmas", "Jingle Bells", "All Those Christmas Clichés", and a new piece titled "The Morning After Christmas" composed by Gilbertson with Ellis in mind.

Since leaving the Midwest, Ellis has received her BFA in Musical Theatre at Penn State University and has become a proud Actor's Equity Association member. She is now a New York City-based performer. Her favorite roles include Maureen in Rent, Lois Lane in Kiss Me Kate, Amber in Hairspray, and Sandy in The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie, directed by Tony Nominee Susan H. Schulman. Ellis also fronts the bands for high-end events with Hank Lane Music Productions and sings and dances with Stiletta, an all-female a cappella group.

"As a former Dubuque Symphony Youth Orchestra clarinetist and having spent 10 years dancing with the Dubuque City Youth ballet and Heartland Ballet Companies I am thrilled to be back performing in Dubuque," commented Ellis.

Also on Saturday, December 7 at 1:00pm the symphony will present a Holiday Family Concert. It is a shorter and slightly different version of the Holiday Celebration Concerts perfect for families with young children. Soprano Sarah Ellis and the Heartland Ballet will make appearances, but it is only one-hour long and includes a Christmas sing-a-long and a surprise visit from Santa. Accompanying the orchestra will also be The Dubuque Community School District 4th, 5th and

6th Grade Honor Choir. Following the Family Concert everyone is invited to take pictures with Santa. The pictures are free, and parents are asked to bring their own cameras.



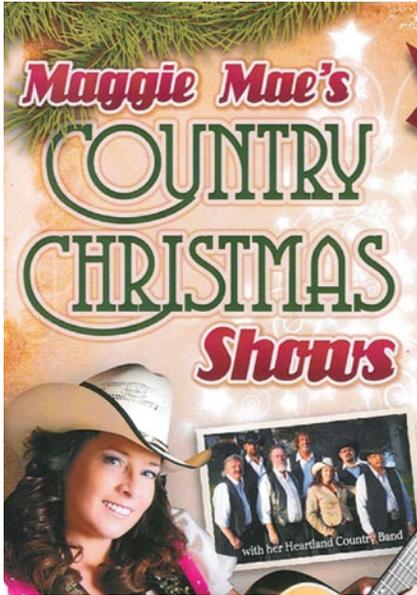
Tickets to the Family Concert are \$10 for children 12 and under, \$20 for adults and \$30 for box seats. Tickets to the Holiday Celebration Concerts range from \$13 - \$44. Box seats are \$75. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Five Flags Center box office, your local Ticketmaster retail outlet or online at www.DubuqueSymphony.org.

Tickets are also available one hour before each concert at the ticket counter in the Five Flags Theater lobby. Student rush tickets will be available for the Celebration Concerts only. Cost is \$6 and a student I.D. is required.

The Holiday concerts are sponsored by Medical Associates Clinic and Health Plans. For more information, visit www.DubuqueSymphony.org or call the symphony office at (563) 557-1677.



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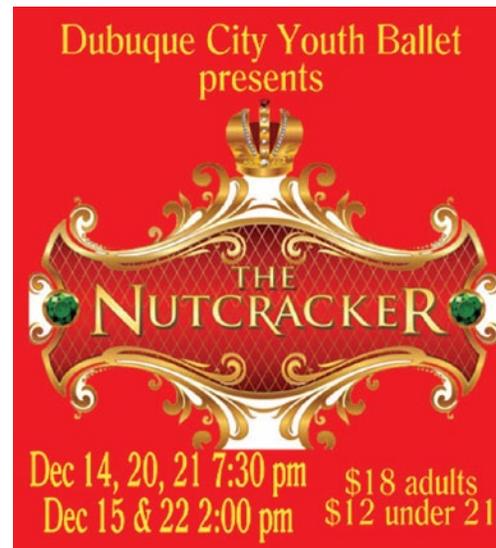
Maggie Mae's Country Christmas Show
Saturday, December 7, 7:30 p.m.
Grand Opera House

A traditional country christmas concert you don't want to miss! See Maggie Mae & Heartland Country performing at the Grand Opera House on Saturday, December 7, 7:30 p.m.

Maggie Mae, a home-grown talented country singer/Nashville recording artist from Oxford, Wisconsin has been entertaining crowds with her country music and yodeling. She is becoming one of the biggest Midwestern names in pure country music.

With 6 albums under her belt buckle, She is a regular performer on RFD TV's "Midwest Country Show" on Saturday nights (on Direct TV and Dish Network), which has made her a familiar face in millions of homes across the country. Maggie Mae's instant rapport with the audience and her enthusiasm throughout her shows guarantee enjoyment not only by country music fans but also for anyone else who just loves good music. Maggie Mae is also a proud military mom, as her daughter Sgt. Karah Cox is in the Army, 101st Airborne.

You are sure to enjoy the sounds of her very talented Heartland Country Band as they present some of the best classic country and yodeling music around... with a Christmas flair. Reserved seats are \$25 and available online at thegrandoperahouse.com.



The Nutcracker Ballet
December 14, 7:30 p.m.
December 15, 2:00 p.m.
December 20, 7:30 p.m.
December 21, 7:30 p.m.
December 22, 2:00 p.m.
Grand Opera House

The Dubuque City Youth Ballet presents an annual holiday ballet tradition for the entire family directed by Marina O'Rourke and choreographed by Megan MacLeod. Make plans now to attend this perfect tribute to the season. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$12 under 21 and on sale at thegrandoperahouse.com.



35th Annual Senior High Madrigal Dinner
December 14-15, 6 p.m.
Masonic Temple

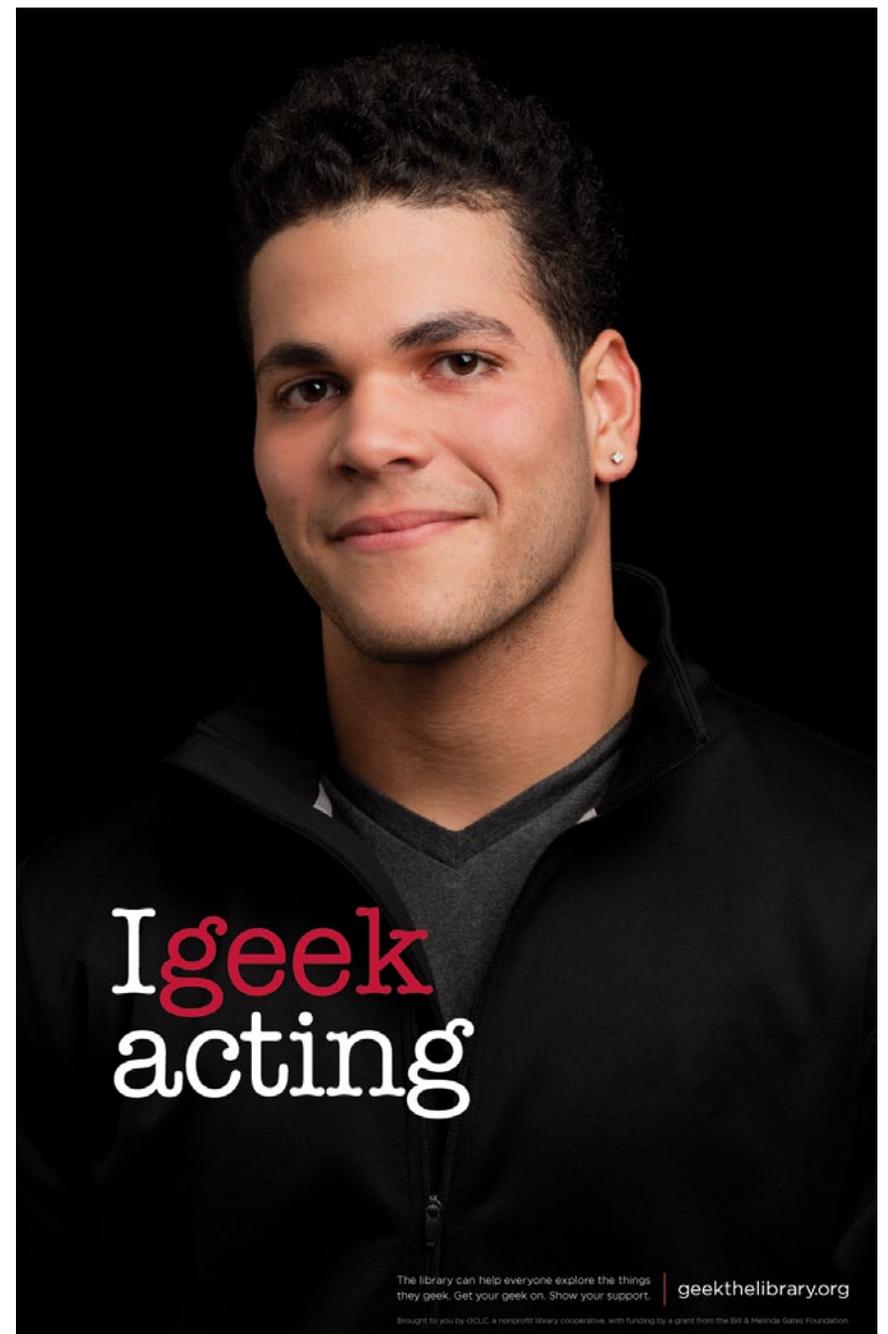
The 35th Annual Dubuque Senior High School Madrigal Dinners will take place at the Masonic Temple on Saturday, December 14 and Sunday, December 15 (with a Monday, December 16 inclement weather alternative date.) Hors d'oeuvres will start at 6:00 p.m. with candle-lit dinner seating starting at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$28.00 and available online at www.seatyourself.biz or by calling the Dubuque Senior High School office at (563) 552-5500.

and kale soup, mixed green salad with pecorino cheese, herbed croutons and champagne vinaigrette. Then an entree of pan-seared chicken piccata with lemon caper cream sauce, roasted broccoli and garlic mashed potatoes. And for dessert, triple chocolate brownie a la mode topped with a caramel sauce and whipped cream. Yum!

The Madrigal Singers are one of Dubuque Senior High School's ambassador groups that performs over 15 times in the community between Thanksgiving and Christmas. This group was started in 1978 by DSHS director, Dan Nye and proudly continue the tradition of Renaissance music at Dubuque Senior High School.

- 2013 Fall Public Performances**
Sat., Nov.30, 5 p.m. Galena X-mas Parade
Thurs., Dec. 5, 1 p.m. Salvation Army Christmas Luncheon
Sat., Dec. 7, Noon - 3 p.m. Galena
Fri, Dec. 13, 7 p.m. Thunder Hills C.C.
Sat., Dec. 14, 15 - Madrigal Dinners
Tue., Dec. 17, 12:20p.m. - DBQ Rotary

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**Retro Rewind: Cars & Guitars
Saturday, January 11
Five Flags**

Lovers of Vintage Torque Fest should mark their calendars for Saturday, January 11, the date of the inaugural Retro Rewind, hosted by Torque Fest promoter John Wells at Dubuque's Five Flags Center. Both a vintage hot rod AND guitar show, Retro Rewind is really for anyone that likes the retro style and "Kustom Kulture" embodied by classic cars and vintage guitars, not to mention pinup girls and antique motorcycles.

Five Flags arena will be jam-packed with some of the best hot rods and customs around along with vintage motorcycles and a variety of booths featuring artwork by Kustom Kulture artists, clothing, stickers, patches and more. Gear heads on the hunt for parts can shop the swap meet and music fans can browse the vinyl LPs, CDs and vintage stereo gear in the music swap area, all the while listening to rockabilly bands like 3 on the Tree, Black Cat, and Rumble Seat Riot rocking the Five Flags arena stage.

Guitar players and music fans alike can see

some of the most beautiful and collectible guitars in existence on display by both local and national collectors and dealers. Wondering what that antique six-string that's been in the family for years might be worth? Bring it in for the experts to have a look.

As if that weren't enough, Retro Rewind will feature a charity art auction, a pinup girl contest and model car display area (not unlike Torque Fest), as well as a side-show performance by the Seven Sins Side-show Circus (not for the squeamish!). During the day, gear heads can slip over to Five Flags Theater to catch one of several hot rod, motorcycle, and custom culture documentaries, part of the "Fuel Injected Film Fest."

That evening, Five Flags Theater will be transformed into a concert stage with a featured performance by Nikki Hill, noted for her original music that draws on a range of American roots styles from rock-n-roll to rhythm & blues.

Best of all, admission for the whole day is just \$10 and gets you into all but the Nikki Hill show. The Retro Rewind show will open at 9 a.m. and will run until 7 p.m. Wells is also working on some sort of warm up party for Friday night (January 10) so keep posted to Dubuque365 or check out www.retrorewinddubuque.com or follow Retro Rewind on Facebook. Guitar, vinyl LP or other collectors interested in getting booth space should contact John Wells via the Retro Rewind Facebook page.

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McCoy's 40K for 40 Years December Giveaway Winner's Round..

The end of the year has finally come and that means the McCoy Goldsmith & Jeweler's '40k for 40 Years' event is coming to a close but not without one more donation event! The month of December all of the winners from the previous months will go head to head in the Ultimate Winners Round!

McCoy Jewelers would like to thank all of the participating non-profits and all of their supporters to help make this 40th year a big one for McCoy Jewelers!

The voting will period will be from December 13th until December 20th. Help make this final '40k for 40 Years' event the biggest one yet! Vote one a day and every day during the course of the voting period.

This month's competitors are:

- The Dubuque Regional Humane Society**
- Hills & Dales**
- St. Mark Community Center**
- Hospice of Dubuque**
- The Colts Drum & Bugle Corps**
- The Grand Opera House**
- Opening Doors**
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Happy Holidays!

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2 Shows Added!
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7:00pm

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation
8:45pm

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**Holiday Double Feature
Mindframe Theaters
Sunday, December 15, 7 p.m.**

Forget Miracle on 34th Street, we all know that the best Christmas movies are A Christmas Story and National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation. Our friends at Tri-States Night Out and Mindframe Theaters are presenting the ultimate (and 2nd Annual) Holiday Double Feature! Yep, both classics back to back. And the first showing's tix are already all sold out, so they've added another set of showings starting one hour later. On Sunday, December 15th, kick things off with a 7 p.m. showing of A Christmas Story followed by an 8:45 p.m. reunion with Clarke Griswold and clan in Christmas Vacation. Both movies are FREE! Limited tickets can download online at TriStatesNightOut.com/coupons. Yes, you can live for 4 hours on popcorn alone!

TRI-STATE ARTS CALENDAR

Dubuque Museum of Art Exhibits & Events

Karen Kurka Jensen: Fearfully and Wonderfully Made
November 8-February 23, 2014

The ancient art of East Asian brush painting that resembles calligraphy, called Sumi-e, by this Wisconsin artist.

Edward S. Curtis:

Selections from The North American Indian
November 23-March 9, 2014

Bisigano Art Gallery Shows

University of Dubuque Heritage Center

12:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

Iowa Collects: Highlights from Public Collections in Iowa
December 2 - January 5

Juried Regional High School Art Show

January 6 - February 1

Locally Shot Indie Film Advanced Screening Events

December 5 & 7

Mindframe Theaters (See Page 24)

Art @ Your Library Holiday Art Show

Friday December 6, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Carnegie-Stout Public Library (See Page 4)

NISOM Playathon

Friday, December 6, 4-8 p.m.

Roshek Building

The Northeast Iowa School of Music invites the public to attend the annual student fundraiser recital. (See Page 4)

Away in the Basement: A Church Basement Ladies Christmas

December 6-8, 12-15, & 19-22

Bell Tower Theater (See Page 4)

Maggie Mae Christmas Show

Saturday, December 7th at 7:30 pm

Grand Opera House, Tickets: \$25

Country singer Maggie Mae, a talented country singer/
Nashville recording artist from Oxford, WI.

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra: Holiday Celebration Concerts

Saturday, December 7 @ 7:30 p.m., December 8, 2 p.m.

Five Flags Theater

This annual Christmas concert features the Dubuque
Symphony Orchestra, the Dubuque Chorale, members of
Dubuque's Heartland Ballet and guest soprano Sarah Ellis.

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra: Holiday Pops Family Concert

Saturday, December 7 @ 1 p.m.

Five Flags Theater

A wonderful Holiday experience for the whole family,
our third annual Holiday Family Concert features the full
symphony orchestra, members of the Heartland Ballet, and
a special visit from Santa.

Loras Holiday Concert

Saturday December 7, 4 p.m. (See Page 8)

Loras College Athletic and Wellness Center

Christian Music Artist Mark Schultz Acoustic Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 7, 7:30 p.m.

Hope Church, 11893 JFK Road (See Page 7)

StudioWorks Holiday Art Sale & Open House

Sunday, December 8, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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December 7 and Sunday, December 8 @ 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Outside the Lines Art Gallery

Featuring Gail Chavenelle/sculpture signing on Saturday
and a jewelry trunk show on Sunday with Ali Kauss.

Christmas at Heritage Center: "On This Day Earth Shall Ring"

Live at Heritage Center Performing Arts Series

Saturday, December 14 @ 7 p.m.

John and Alice Butler Hall at Heritage Center

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Jim McDonough Holiday Grande 2013

Saturday, December 14 @ 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

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Jim at the grand piano, his 15-piece orchestra, a cast of
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Nutcracker Ballet

December 14, 20-21 @ 7:30 p.m., December 15 & 22 @ 2 p.m.

Grand Opera House

Tickets: Adults \$18 and Under 21 \$12

The Dubuque City Youth Ballet annual production.

35th Annual Senior High Madrigal Dinner December 14-15, 6 p.m.

Masonic Temple (See Page 14)

Art Gumbo

Submission Deadline: December 15

Soup Dinner: Thursday, December 19, 6-8 p.m.

St. Mark Community Center (See Page 11)

John Tesh Big Band Christmas

Sunday, December 15 @ 7 p.m.

Mississippi Moon Bar, Diamond Jo Casino

Twelve piece big band does holiday classics and John Tesh
signature songs for a full evening of entertainment
Tickets are \$25 - \$25. (See Page 21).

Famous Dead Artist Lecture Series

Marlene Dietrich played by Lenore Howard

Sunday, December 15, 1:30 PM

Dubuque Museum of Art

Mistletoes present Snowbiz

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TRI-STATE LIVE MUSIC

Thursday, December 5

The Wundos
Fried Green Tomatoes, 5 PM

Dueling Pianos
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Jazz Night with
'Round Midnight Trio
Monk's Kaffee Pub, 8 PM

Proud Feet
The Cornerstone, 8:30 PM

Friday, December 6

Open Mic with Becky McMahon
Stone Cliff Wine & Beer Bar, 7 PM

Wundos
Dubuque Driving Range, 7 PM

Johnnie Walker
Timmerman's, 7 PM

Corey Jenny
Perfect Pint, 7 PM

Larry Michael
Shark's Roadhouse, 7 PM

R&R Boogie Band
Galena Brewing Co., 7:30 PM

Jon Conover
Frank O'Dowd's Pub, 7:30 PM

MissBehavin'
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Laura McDonald & Jeff Weydert
Spirits, 8 PM

Denny Garcia
The Cornerstone, 8 PM

Luke Dolson & Jimmy Berg
Grape Escape, 8 PM

Roy Schroedl
Woodlands Lounge, Eagle
Ridge, 8 PM

PeeWee Moore
eronel, 9 PM

Spare Parts
The Lift, 9 PM

Brown Bottle Bandits
Budde's, 9 PM

Crude But Effective
Perxactly, 9 PM

Menace
Sandy Hook Tavern, 9 PM

Saturday, December 7

PeeWee Moore
Grape Escape, 2 PM

9th Annual Christmas Auction
New Diggings General Store, 4 PM

The Matriarchs
The General Store, Spring
Green, 6:30 PM

JJ Schmitz
Stone Cliff Wine & Beer Bar, 7 PM

Country Tradition
Mooney Hollow Barn, 7 PM

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra
Holiday Concert
Five Flags Theater, 7:30 PM

The Old '57s
Galena Brewing Co., 7:30 PM

Jon Conover
Frank O'Dowd's Pub, 7:30 PM

Club 84: Kung Fu Disco
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

8 Balls
Dubuque Driving Range, 8 PM

Jeremy Arling & Jeff Weydert
R Place, 8 PM

Feast of Mutton
The Cornerstone, 8 PM

Johnny Rocker Band
Miss Kitty's Birthday Party
Grape Escape, 8 PM

Roy Schroedl
Woodlands Lounge, Eagle
Ridge, 8 PM

The Mighty Wheelhouse
The Lift, 9 PM

Hot Mess
Spirits, 9 PM

Jabberbox
Denny's Lux Club, 9 PM

Zero 2 Sixty
Jumpers, 9 PM

Renegade
Northside Bar, 9 PM

Pash N Brew
Shenanigan's Pub, 9 PM

Johnny Trash
Hammerhead's, 9 PM

Hard Salami
Budde's, 9 PM

Ignighter
Scooters, 9 PM

Aaron Williams & The Hoodoo
Sandy Hook Tavern, 10 PM

Sunday, December 8

Open Mic with Scott Rische
Grape Escape, 12 PM

Open Mic with Cal Cooney
The Cornerstone, 1:30 PM

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra
Holiday Concert
Five Flags Theater, 2 PM

Johnnie Walker
Stone Cliff Wine and Beer Bar, 4 PM

The Skywalkers
Sandy Hook Tavern, 6 PM

Tuesday, December 10

New Voices: Open Mic
Rendezvous Coffee
& Tea, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 11

Acoustic Jam
with Garrett Hillary
The Cornerstone, 6:30 PM

Laughing Moon Comedy
Marc Price, Mike Mercury,
Gabriel Rutledge & Vilmos
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Thursday, December 12

Tapestry
Manna Java World Café, 6 PM

Dueling Pianos
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Jazz Night w/ 'Round Midnight
Monk's Kaffee Pub, 8 PM

Positively 4th Street
Grape Escape, 7 PM

Campfire Kings
The Cornerstone, 8:30 PM

John Dee Graham, Mike June
eronel, 9 PM

Friday, December 13

Johnnie Walker
Stone Cliff Wine & Beer Bar, 7 PM

Three Drink Minimum
Dubuque Driving Range, 7 PM

Andy Wilberding
Timmerman's, 7 PM

Larry Michael
Shark's Roadhouse, 7 PM

Roy Schroedl
Galena Brewing Co., 7:30 PM

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Hairball
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

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THURSDAY DEC 5
Francis & The Diddlers (7PM)

FRIDAY DEC 6
Pee Wee Moore

THURSDAY DEC 12
Jon Dee Graham, Mike June (9PM)

FRIDAY DEC 13
El Valiente

WEDNESDAY DEC 18
JDIFF Movie Screening (6PM)

THURSDAY DEC 19
Francis & The Diddlers (7PM)

FRIDAY DEC 20
The Mittens, TBA

SATURDAY DEC 21
Hugh Bob and the Hustle

FRIDAY DEC 27
Dave Zollo and the Body Electric

SATURDAY DEC 28
Evergreen Grass Band

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PeeWee Moore
eronel, Friday, Dec. 6, 10 PM
Sandy Hook, Friday, Dec. 13, 10 PM
 PeeWee Moore is a self proclaimed Honkytonk/Outlaw Country Singer/Songwriter that's been barnstorming across the country both solo and with his band The Awful Dreadful Snakes for the better part of the last decade. With the gift of raw talent and showmanship, he began cutting his teeth in and around the Chattanooga, TN, where, along with his band at the time (The Tennessee Rounders) he began to make a name for himself around the Southeast as a gifted songwriter and guitar player. Since leaving The Tennessee Rounders to develop his solo career, PeeWee has relocated to Austin, TX and recorded two solo records, the first, "The Leaving Side Of Gone," being called an Essential Album by SavingCountryMusic.com.



Wheelhouse
The Lift, Saturday Dec. 7, 9 PM
 Madison Wisconsin's The Wheelhouse aka Mighty Short Bus are no strangers to Dubuque or The Lift stage. Over the last 10 years, the band has lived many a whiskey soaked summer nights and freezing cold Midwestern trips to our fair city. The band has garnered a crowd through true connection, making personal friends of many area folk and knowing them on a first name basis by the second time around. Last

year, The MSB finished "Mighty Short Bus Family Band", a live in the studio record using the most simple of recording processes to capture the true organic sound of a roots rock band selling you their soul on the sleeve. This year, the band is moving in a new direction, including the new moniker "Wheelhouse". The sound owes much to Van Morrison, John Prine, and the Robinson Brothers, but the The Wheelhouse transcend those influences and hit on something real, almost tangible, that people can relate to.



John Dee Graham, Mike June
eronel, Thursday, December 12, 9PM
 While most well known for his solo work, including the critically acclaimed records "Escape from Monster Island", "Hooray For The Moon", and "Full," John Dee Graham was part of what is considered the definitive lineup of The Skunks, Austin's first punk band, and roots-rock pioneers True Believers with Alejandro Escovedo. Coming with Jon for a night at eronel is fellow Austin musician Mike June, whose style has been described as "Woody Guthrie meets the Rolling Stones" thanks to the rock sensibility that comes through in his songs. Another free show of great tunes, the night of Thursday, Dec. 12, starting at 9PM.



El Valiente
eronel, Friday, December 13, 10PM
 Instrumental Madison trio El Valiente are an assault on the psyche, a force to be reckoned with. Their songs, as much an homage to the Spaghetti Western soundtracks of Ennio Morricone as they are to prog rock of the same era, layer guitars that can't be pinned down, driving bass and a percussion that employs instruments such as glockenspiel

and xylophone to rein in, change, and guide the entire sound. With several records of audio desert-sky tours under their belt, given the chance, they will take you far out without you having to leave the ground. Free show, music at 10.



Intelescope
The Lift, Fri Dec. 13, 9 PM
 Somewhere between the dueling guitar riffs of a rock show and the pounding rhythms of a rave lies a soundscape where Intelescope finds itself most at home. Playing all original music, this Madison, Wisconsin-based band balances the craft of composition with the power of improvisation by interweaving concise, melodic passages inside and out of aggressive, soaring jams. The result is an instrumental post-rock sound that serves as sweaty dance party mix-tape. In just a couple years, Intelescope has gone from occasionally jamming in their basement-practice room to playing at venues like Madison's Majestic Theatre and warming the stage for acts like Perpetual Groove and Lubriphonic. And it was never intended to move that quickly. Rhythm guitarist and co-founder Dan Plourde explains, "our vision from the beginning was to let the music dictate the pace of the band, and things just started falling into place."

The Righteous Hillbillies
Grape Escape, Sa., Dec. 14, 8 p.m.
 The Grape Escape hosts Joliet, Illinois-based rock-n-roll quartet The Righteous Hillbillies. Described as "an axe shredding, ace dealing, foot stompin', Southern rock, high-powered Americana, boogie blues band that plays with talent and passion" The Righteous Hillbillies play a mix of their own music and the music they love, from Johnny Cash to social Distortion. Drawing inspiration from diverse influences, The Righteous Hillbillies have crafted a raw, energetic sound all their own as



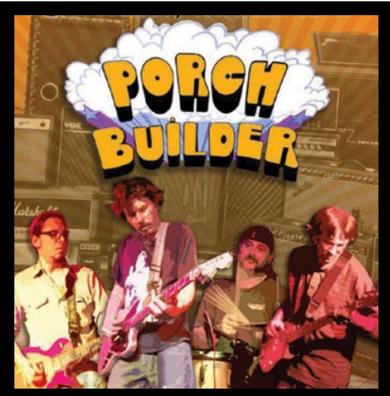
captured on the band's two original CDs. With their latest release, Trece Diablos, The Righteous Hillbillies are prepared to raise the stakes from entertainment to that old time rock-n-roll religion. If it doesn't get you dancing, moving, and singing, you might as well sign your "do not resuscitate" order at the nearest opportunity.

BAD Nicholas
Grape Escape, Wed., Dec. 18, 7 p.m.
 On a Wednesday night (December 18) the Grape Escape hosts a special performance by noted roots music duo BAD Nicholas. The husband and wife duo, consisting of Canadian born Bobby Nicholas and Illinois native Amber-Dawn Rische Nicholas, perform original music with deep folk and bluegrass roots. Tri-State music fans might remember a performance by BAD Nicholas a couple years back at the Dubuque Bluegrass Festival or possibly even the Carter Family band Jypsi, which featured Amber Dawn, at the Mud Lake Bluegrass Sundays a



couple years before that. While Bobby and Amber Dawn first met at a jam session way back in 1999, it wasn't until later that they began dating and eventually married, forming a musical and life partnership. As experienced musicians in their own right, each brings a wealth of skill and knowledge to their musical collaboration, having worked with some of the best performers and producers in the music industry.

Porch Builder
The Lift, Fri Dec. 20, 9 PM
 Porch Builder started when three brothers, Tom, George and Mike Spielbauer picked up guitars as teenagers



and started jamming at their parents' house in Riverside, Iowa. One of their first gigs was their high school talent show where they performed Green Day and Johnny Cash covers. Several years later they were joined on drums by their old friend from down the street, Justin Huffman and they still play a combo of original old time music delivered with youthful punk-rock energy and plenty of slide guitar. Porch Builder take the stage with an unassuming demeanor and some may not expect much from these laid back, rural hippies, but those who frequent late night drinking establishments are bound to dig Porch Builder's loud, country rock, bluesy vibe. These guys put on one heck of a show and will delight fans of live music with their down home, foot stompin', ass shakin' boogie woogie.

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Steve Cavanaugh & Randy Droessler
Spirits, 8 PM

Enemies of Confusion
The Cornerstone, 8 PM

Lojo Russo
Grape Escape, 8 PM

Intelescope
The Lift, 9 PM

El Valiente, Split Pricks
eronel, 9 PM

Ignighter
Northside Bar, 9 PM

Mississippi Band
Murph's South End Tap

Peewee Moore & The Invisibles
Sandy Hook Tavern, 10 PM

Saturday, December 14

Campfire Kings
Grape Escape, 2 PM

The Wundos
Honest John's, Galena, 4 PM

Blue Willow
Stone Cliff Wine & Beer Bar, 7 PM

Bob Burns
Galena Brewing Co., 7:30 PM

Melanie Devaney
Frank O'Dowd's Pub, 7:30 PM

Club 84: Ugly Holiday Sweater Party
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Denny Garcia
Cat's Meow, East Dubuque, 8 PM

Ethan Keller
The Cornerstone, 8 PM

The Righteous Hillbillies
Grape Escape, 8 PM

Brown Bottle Bandits
Lot 1, 9 PM

Massey Road, Spirits, 9 PM

Hot Mess
Denny's Lux Club, 9 PM

Six Shots 'til Midnight
Jumpers, 9 PM

Mississippi Band
Northside Bar, 9 PM

Taste Like Chicken
Dirty Ernie's, 9 PM

Ignighter
Jimi B's, Leisure Lake, 9 PM

Sunshine
The Depot, Cuba City, 9 PM

Buzz Berries
Budde's, 9:30 PM

Eugene Smiles Project
Sandy Hook Tavern, 10 PM

Sunday, December 15

Open Mic with Scott Rische
Grape Escape, 12 PM

Open Mic with Marty Raymon
The Cornerstone, 1:30 PM

Larry Michael
Wheel Inn, 3 PM

Andy Wilberding
Stone Cliff Wine and Beer Bar, 4 PM

Mighty Wheelhouse
Sandy Hook Tavern, 6 PM

John Tesh Big Band Christmas
Mississippi Moon Bar, 7 PM

Tuesday, December 17

New Voices: Open Mic
Rendezvous Coffee & Tea, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 18

Acoustic Jam with Statue of Liberty
The Cornerstone, 6:30 PM

Laughing Moon Comedy
Michael Thorne
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Bad Nicholas, Grape Escape, 7 PM

Open Mic with Dave, Cricket, & Tim
The Lift, 9 PM

Thursday, December 19

Dueling Pianos
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Jazz Night with
'Round Midnight Trio
Monk's Kaffee Pub, 8 PM

Mike Droho, Grape Escape, 7 PM

Statue of Liberty
The Cornerstone, 8:30 PM

Friday, December 20

Snow Biz
Hotel Julien Ballroom, 6 PM

Open Mic with Becky McMahon
Stone Cliff Wine & Beer Bar, 7 PM

Set in Stone
Dubuque Driving Range, 7 PM

Fever River String Band
Blaum Bros. Distilling, Galena, 7 PM

The Swing Crew
Galena Brewing Co., 7:30 PM

Katie Sullivan
Frank O'Dowd's Pub, 7:30 PM

Crystal Leather
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Boys Night Out
Spirits, 8 PM

Jordan Danielsen
Grape Escape, 8 PM

Odd Bar Quartet
The Cornerstone, 8 PM

Porchbuilder
The Lift, 9 PM

Broken Strings
Dirty Ernie's, 9 PM

Black Water Gin
Sandy Hook Tavern, 9 PM

Saturday, December 21

Campfire Kings
Grape Escape, 2 PM

Snow Biz
Hotel Julien Ballroom, 6 PM

Roy Schroedl
Stone Cliff Wine & Beer Bar, 7 PM

Artie & The Catillacs
Dubuque Driving Range, 7 PM

Country Tradition
Mooney Hollow Barn, 7 PM

The Matriarchs
Galena Brewing Co., 7:30 PM

Katie Sullivan
Frank O'Dowd's Pub, 7:30 PM

Kevin Beck & Johnnie Walker
Mississippi Moon Bar, 8 PM

Ugly Christmas Sweater Party
Easy Street, 8 PM

Paul Filipowicz
Murph's South End Tap, 8 PM

Soulsa
Grape Escape, 8 PM

Broken Rubber Band
The Cornerstone, 8 PM

Taste Like Chicken
Spirits, 9 PM

Jabberbox
Jumpers, 9 PM

Pash N Brew
Northside Bar, 9 PM

Half-Fast, Budde's, 9 PM

Boys Night Out
Bronco Inn, 9 PM

Brown Bottle Bandits
Dagwood's, 9 PM

Ignighter
Timber Lanes, Maquoketa, 9 PM

Sunshine
Wig Wam, 9 PM

Nitrix
Sandy Hook Tavern, 10 PM

Sunday, December 22

Open Mic with Scott Rische
Grape Escape, 12 PM

Percival
The Cornerstone, 3:30 PM

Sam Wooden
New Diggings General
Store & Inn, 3:30 PM

True Colors: Becky McMahon &
Charles Harris
Stone Cliff Wine
and Beer Bar, 3 PM

Taste Like Chicken
Sandy Hook Tavern, 6 PM

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Dubuque Symphony Orchestra: Ultimate Rock Hits
Friday, January 17, 2014
The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra joins forces with local musicians to present a one-of-a-kind rock experience! Dubuque Symphony Orchestra will present ultimate rock hits from the 70s and 80s by AC/DC, Eagles, Guns N' Roses, Heart, Police, Bon Jovi, Led Zeppelin and more! These are songs you know and love. They spent weeks at the top of the Billboard charts and blasting through your radio speakers. Now experience them like never before—live in concert with a symphony



John Tesh - Big Band Christmas
Sunday, December 15, 7 p.m.
With his consistent cast of notable musicians on stage, this twelve piece big band takes audiences on a journey through holiday classics and John Tesh signature songs for a full evening of entertainment. John's bigger than life personality comes through on stage with his stories, humor and occasional life enhancing tips from his "Intelligence for Your Life" radio show that is syndicated on over 370 radio stations in North America. John Tesh has won four Emmy Awards, been a two-time Grammy nominee, was an anchor on Entertainment Tonight for ten years, had six hit public television specials, and a string of #1 radio hits. His breakthrough success in music came about when NBC held a contest to find a new NBA theme song with a requirement that all entries be submitted anonymously. John won the contest and his theme song was eventually played on every NBC broadcast of the NBA and also won an Emmy Award. It was this event that proved that he could be successful as a musician and composer. Show starts at 7pm with ticket prices ranging from \$25-\$35. Tickets: \$25-35 - **NEW!**



orchestra. Show starts at 8:00pm with ticket prices ranging from \$25-\$35.

Remembering Red: Tribute to Red Skelton
Saturday, January 18, 7 p.m.
Brian Hoffman's tribute to Red Skelton is a light hearted trip down memory lane. His expert portrayal of Red Skelton will have you in stitches with some of Red's most well-known characters. Laugh with Clem Kadiddlehopper, giggle with Gertrude and Heathcliffe, and feel the love of Freddy the Freeloader. Add a little "Guzzlers Gin" and some pantomimes and you'll be remembering Red Skelton, America's favorite clown. Show starts at 7:00pm with ticket prices ranging from \$15-\$20.

Club 84 - Kung Fu Disco Club Night
Saturday, December 7, 8 p.m.

Marc Price, Mike Mercury, & Gabriel Rutledge Comedy

Wed. December 11, 2013 8:00pm
Marc Price is best known to many as "Skippy," Michael J. Fox's sidekick on NBC's 80's mega-hit Family Ties! Marc will blow your mind with his uniquely twisted take on being a child of



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Saturday, February 8, 8 p.m.
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Atlanta Rhythm Section & Head East
Saturday, February 15, 8 p.m.
Ticket prices range from \$15-\$35.

Herman's Hermits Starring Peter Noone



Missbehavin'
Friday, December 6, 8 p.m.
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Hairball
Friday, December 13, 8 p.m.
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Club 84 Ugly Christmas Sweater Party
Saturday, December 14, 8 p.m.

Dueling Pianos
New Year's Eve Dueling Pianos
Tuesday, December 31, 8 p.m.
Come swing, sway and shout the night away at New Year's Eve Dueling Pianos.



Point Café

by Rich Belmont

POINT CAFE

Dubuque's North Enders in the Point Neighborhood have seen their local restaurant go through many transformations over the years. It first opened on June 1, 1954 as Point Drive-In serving Dairy-Creme ice cream. Years later it became The Point



Restaurant. Then it was taken over by Randy Klauer or Klauer Construction Company. He completely remodeled it and renamed it Point Lounge. Then it went dark for a couple of years. I wonder how many Point residents know it was brought back to life 4 years ago by a couple of guys



from Albania. Well, OK, they are from Albania but they grew up in Elmhurst, IL. Ozzy Ramadani (pictured here with his daughter, Arta) and his brother-in-law, Jeff Dzeladini, have many years experience in the restaurant business. They owned and operated North Park Café in Rockford, IL and Elida in Edgerton, WI.



Where I come from Point Café would be called a diner. Breakfast is served all day and lunch starts at 11 am and is available the rest of the day along with all the dinner items. The menu is extensive: Breakfast includes 12 omelets, eggs any way you like them, 9 skillet, pancakes, waffles, crepes, French toast and 6 steak and egg combinations. There are 26 sandwiches for lunch plus 6 burgers. You can choose any of the above for dinner or sink your teeth into a selection of choice grade, hand-cut steaks, chopped steak, pork tenderloins, baby beef liver, meatloaf, broiled, baked or fried chicken, stir fries, pastas and cod, shrimp, salmon and catfish. All soups, gravies and sauces are made in the kitchen. And the beef roasts, turkeys, chickens and pork loins are all cooked in the kitchen.



One thing Point Café has you don't see in New Jersey is the Midwestern soup and salad bar. The iceberg lettuce is always fresh and crisp and there are always a couple of other chef's choice salads like Greek or cucumber. Then there are the standards including fresh coleslaw, macaroni, and my favorite: potato salad.



Point Café

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HOURS: Sun-Thu, 6 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri-Sat, 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

DINING STYLE: Family Diner

NOISE LEVEL: Conversational

RECOMMENDATIONS: Combination Platter, Meat Lovers Skillet, Fried Chicken, Roast Pork, Jumbo Shrimp, Meat Loaf, Fettuccine Alfredo, Top Sirloin Steak

LIQUOR SERVICE: None

PRICE RANGE: Breakfast: \$1.99 - \$9.99

Lunch: \$4.59 - \$9.99 Dinner: \$6.99 - \$15.99

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KIDS POLICY: Menu, Booster, Highchairs

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CATERING: No **TAKE OUT:** Yes **DELIVERY:** No

Breakfast is all so good it is hard to pick favorites. A couple my tasting team liked is the Meat Lovers Skillet (pictured at right): bacon, ham, sausage piled on hash browns and topped with 3 eggs and your choice of cheese. Another great breakfast is simple and delicious scrambled eggs with American fries and ham (pictured at left). That's because the ham is a nice slice of hickory smoked, boneless top grade ham. By the way, all the egg dishes are made with 3 eggs and many items on the menu call for your choice of cheese. The choices are American, Swiss, cheddar, mozzarella and feta.

Did I mention all the soups are homemade? Jeff is an excellent soup maker. There are two on the menu each day and I have tried several and enjoyed all of them. The

soup schedule is as follows:

Mon: Navy Bean and Chicken Shell & Bean

Tue: Beef Barley and Chicken Bowtie

Wed: Chicken Dumpling and Beef & Cabbage

Thu: Cream of Potato & Ham and Beef & Rice

Fri: Clam Chowder and Beef & Vegetable

Sat: Chicken Noodle and Broccoli Cheese

Sun: Cream of Chicken Rice and Vegetable Beef

Ordering lunch can make for a difficult decision. Burgers are always good. The ground beef is always fresh never frozen. I had one topped with bacon, lettuce, tomato, pickles and American cheese. The Patty Melt is a 1/3 lb. burger on grilled rye bread with grilled onions and melted American cheese.

The Gyro sandwich is a little unusual. A combination of pressed beef and lamb is roasted and stuffed into pita bread along with some onions and tomatoes.



There are so many dinners to choose from I sometimes have trouble picking just one. Of course I love a nice broiled steak topped with sautéed mushrooms. But the Meat Loaf is really good too. It's all ground beef with



celery, onions, eggs, beef base, garlic, seasoning salt, oatmeal, and cracker meal. And so is the Fried Chicken. It's marinated in a brine solution and hand battered.



Considering this is not an Italian restaurant the pastas are quite tasty as well. The chef's spaghetti sauce is made with ground beef, sautéed onions, beef base, oregano, garlic, tomato juice and marinara sauce. The Fettuccine Alfredo sauce is made separately for each individual order from whipping cream, garlic and parmesan cheese.



A member of my tasting team liked the Liver and Onions (above). It is coated with cracker meal and then grilled in butter. He said the accompanying onions were nicely caramelized. Ribs are roasted 8 to 10 hours and are covered with a homemade BBQ sauce. The roast beef (below) is a nice cut of inside round slow roasted and



topped with thick beef gravy. Fried shrimp is a bargain since six Extra Jumbo (16/20 count) are only \$9.99!

The regulars at Point Café know to check the white board on the right wall just inside the entrance doors. This is where the Daily Specials are listed. The usual specials are:
Sun – Roast Pork
Mon – Baked Cavatelli or Chuck Wagon
(chopped steak with onions and American cheese).
Tue – Beef Tips
Wed – Lasagna
Thu – Fried Chicken
Fri & Sat – Prime Rib

There is a whole list of other Daily Specials too. Some of them are exceptionally good deals. For example on Monday you can order all you can eat Spaghetti & Meatballs and on Thursday all you can eat Fried Chicken.

Some of these specials are not on the usual menu including the Lasagna and Beef tips. My favorite off-menu entrée is the Sunday Roast Pork (pictured at right).

Seven large slices are served over an excellent stuffing and accompanied by mashed potatoes and gravy. It's a lot of food all for only \$7.99!

I have noticed many company dinners and family parties are held at Point Café. There is a private room for up to 45 people and groups of up to 80 can be accommodated. Small groups are usually served family style and larger ones enjoy a buffet.

So my fellow foodies here is a little tip. When you want a satisfying, filling meal and you don't want it to be fancy and you don't want to spend a lot of money; take a ride up Rhomberg Avenue and visit Point Café.

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The Other One, a feature film showcasing the sights and people of the Great River Region, will have a special screening at Mindframe Theaters in Dubuque on December 5th at 6:30 & 8:30 p.m., and on December 7th at

10:30am. After filming in Galena, Hanover, and Chicago IL, as well as Shullsberg, WI for an extremely aggressive 17 day schedule (most feature films shoot for 37+ days), Sterling Rock Productions completed this supernatural drama and will exhibit in film festivals worldwide beginning this winter.

The Dec. 5th and 7th showings are sneak peeks for the Great River Region, prior to the official premiere of The Other One to be held on the festival circuit in 2014. Although the film contains mature subject matter, the filmmakers artfully tell the story without using violence, profanity, inappropriate nudity or sex scenes in the film. The screenings are open to the public and the \$15 admission fee helps support the upcoming festival tour of the film. After all three screenings, the filmmakers will host a talk-back with the audience, and during the double screening on Thursday evening, Suzy Wright, President of the Great River Film Initiative, will host the Q&A to be followed by a reception in the Mindframe Theater lobby. Tickets are available for purchase online at www.TheOtherOneMovie.com.

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Out of the Furnace (Dec. 6) (R)

Christian Bale has a rough life: he works a dead-end blue collar job and cares for his terminally ill father. When his brother, Casey Affleck, returns home from serving time in Iraq, he gets lured into crime and disappears. Bale takes matters into his own hands.

Inside Llewyn Davis (Dec. 6) (R)

A week in the life of a young folk singer as he navigates the Greenwich Village folk scene of 1961.

Swerve (Dec. 6) (R)

Driving cross-country to a job interview and comes across a fatal road accident. One of the drivers is shaken, the other dead and beside him, a briefcase full of

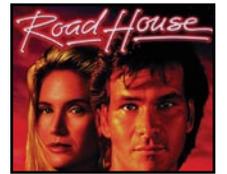
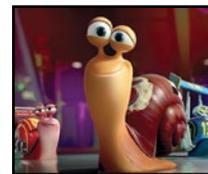
money. When Colin turns it into the local cop, his choice causes a series of fateful events.

The Hobbit: The Desolation Of Smaug (Dec. 13) (PG-13)

The second in a trilogy of films, The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug continues the adventure of Bilbo Baggins as he journeys with the Wizard Gandalf and thirteen Dwarves on an epic quest to reclaim the lost Dwarf Kingdom of Erebor.

Saving Mr. Banks (Dec. 13) (PG-13)

Emma Thompson and Tom Hanks topline Disney's "Saving Mr. Banks," inspired by the extraordinary, untold backstory of how Disney's classic "Mary Poppins" made it to the screen.



MOVIE BUZZ

The Amazing Spider-Man 2's villains Electro (Jamie Foxx) and Rhino (Paul Giamatti) will be unexpectedly joined by a Green Goblin part, which appears to be filled by Dane DeHaan's Harry Osborn.

Netflix has announced Turbo FAST, a series about that cartoon snail that sucked up some nitrous oxide and partially became a car somehow. Launching on Christmas Eve, Turbo FAST amps up everything to the extreme: extreme adventures, extreme challenges, and extreme excitement."

The next Bourne film is joining The Avengers: Age of Ultron, Mission: Impossible 5, and about twenty other would-be blockbusters in the crowded 2015 release schedule. Universal has just announced an August 14, 2015 date for the film.

The 29th Independent Spirit Awards nominees have been released. 12 Years a Slave and Nebraska are leading the pack, picking up a respective seven and six nods. In the Best Picture category, they'll be going up against All Is Lost, Frances Ha, and Inside Llewyn Davis.

Brett Ratner and Renny Harlin are both prepping takes on the Hercules myth for a 2014 release. Ratner's film is being set up for a big summer tentpole release with Dwayne Johnson in the title role. Harlin's take stars Kellan Lutz.

MGM has set about developing a remake of their cult classic Road House. According to TheWrap, the studio has hired Alex Cross and xXx director Rob Cohen on to string together more nonsensical wisdom and face punches into an updated take on the 1989 tale of being a super-cool cooler.

The Visible Woman

by pam kress-dunn

A really cool invention hit the market in the 1960's. Called the Visible Woman Model, it was a bizarre cross between a toy and a physiology lesson. Although I never had one, I saw them at friends' houses, and found them both compelling and creepy.

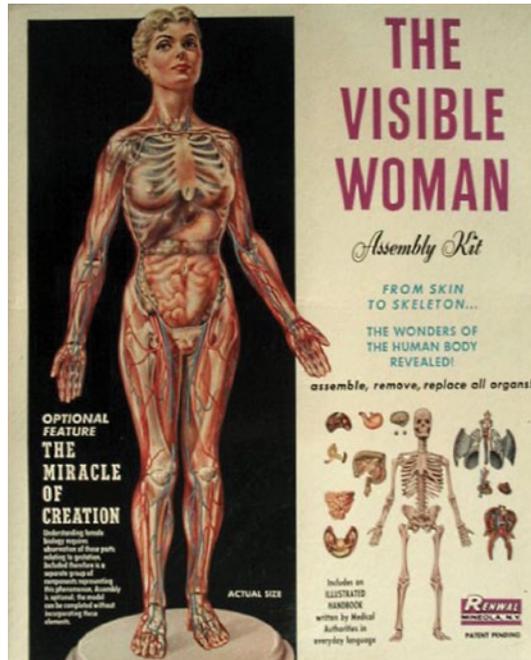
This anatomically accurate model sported plastic depictions of the female body's major systems – skeletal, digestive, excretory, nervous, endocrine, circulatory, and respiratory. Removable major organs were included, and, since this was a woman, the kit included parts to represent pregnancy.

Though she was about the same height as Barbie, this was no doll. I preferred a female model I could dress up to star in stories I made up with my friends. I didn't even have the game "Operation," mainly because it was too hard to remove the body's parts without setting off the buzzer. (It begs for a counterpart: "Lawsuit.")

As a student, I was much more attracted to literature than science. Still, I lived inside a body, and like anyone else's, mine would occasionally break down, break out, or just break. When a chronic headache moved into my head in 2006, showing no inclination to ever move out, I became even more beguiled by the ways in which a body can go awry.

It didn't hurt that by then I was working for a hospital, first as its publications coordinator, writing newsletters, media releases, and anything else requiring finesse with the English language. My principle task was to interview people whose bodies had gone haywire, with knees or hips wearing out, hearts beating erratically, or brains enduring electrical storms. Then I would explain the wonderful things my hospital's medical team had done to make them all better. In other words, I got to explore other people as if they were Visible Men and Women.

Eventually, I became the hospital's librarian, providing research for all sorts of medical and clinical staff. I scan copies of articles, some of them accompanied by photos that are graphically Visible,



especially those in full color. First I turned away; now I look more closely. After all, as the poet Sharon Olds wrote about her dying father, "The body is just a body." We all have one. So why not look?

Parents, especially, find themselves learning all kinds of things about the human body and its various systems. Somebody has to change that diaper, and somebody has to check that fever. When both my children developed asthma, I learned to differentiate the sound of a normal breath from the dangerous wheeze of an incipient asthma attack.

One day my daughter, then just a toddler, tripped and fell on a furnace grate unwisely installed in the floor, slicing her knee open with its sharp metal grill. Even as I wrapped her leg in a dish towel and rushed her to the nearby hospital, I couldn't help but notice, with a bit of wonder, the layers of skin and fat that had suddenly been revealed. So that's what it looks like under there. I was furious when the ER team wouldn't let me hold my wailing girl while they sewed up her wound. By that time, I was faint-proof.

Sometimes I bring home stories from work, either from people who request my help or from the articles I find for them in medical journals. To me, it's enthralling, but I have to remind myself that my dining companions might not agree. A friend whose wife was a nurse instituted a No Talking About the Surgery You Assisted With at Dinner rule.

But it's so fascinating! I want to protest. Am I the only person who thought it was way cool when the doctor who performed my first colonoscopy handed me copies of the photos he'd taken? At first I had the expected reaction – eww – but then I had to look. It was my body, after all, and how often do you get to look inside at those organs (not all of them removable, and none of them outwardly Visible) that do their work, day after day, keeping you alive and well?

I find myself drawn to books about illness and death, or morbidity and mortality, as we say in the healthcare field.

The health memoir, as I call it, is one that appeals to all sorts of readers. I should know: I'm the librarian who checks them out to hospital staff. Maybe it's the life-and-death nature of these stories. Maybe it's the way the reader can identify with the writer. Do you wonder how you would cope with sudden paralysis? I've got just the book for you. There but for fortune go you, go I.

Now that the entire human genome has been sequenced, companies are sprouting up to offer anyone who can afford it a look at their own genetic code. I'd been considering one company, 23andMe, for some time, and finally ordered their test kit a few weeks ago. What the heck, I thought. I might as well know.

The knowledge they offer, by email, focuses on ancestry and health, including a laundry list of diseases that have a genetic link. I already know which conditions my family is prone to; I just want a little more information, from a company with more scientific insight than a Magic 8 Ball.

23andMe was threatened with closure by the FDA a week after I sent them my spit sample. I could be destined not to know, doomed to remain the clueless Invisible Woman. In the meantime, I'll try to embrace that elusive "healthy lifestyle" to fend off whatever diseases might be lying in wait. But I'll also keep checking my email to see if my genes have sent an urgent message my way.

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by Bryce Parks

If Thanksgiving is the tradition that brings on the Holiday season, then surely the opening of Sundown Mountain Ski Resort in Asbury, just west of Dubuque, brings on the season of outdoor winter sports. For nearly 40 years, Sundown has been providing the Dubuque area with entertaining outdoor activities that you just don't find in many communities in Iowa or the region. Along with the rolling hills, bluffs and the mighty Mississippi River, which we all take for granted, it's just one more way Dubuquers are spoiled with great amenities... and loving it!

Just before opening day at the resort, we sat down with General Manager Mark Dietz (pictured at right with Santa), and Marketing Director Stephanie Grutz (pictured above and on the cover with Santa), to see exactly what it takes to whip the slopes of Sundown into shape each season and what you can expect when you visit this year, be it for the first time or the five hundredth.

"Well, it started a couple weeks ago with the making of the snow," explains Mark Dietz. "And then it got warm and it all



went back down to the river. It's one of those deals where we target Thanksgiving weekend for opening each season and we have about a 50% track record of hitting that target. You just never know about winters in Iowa. Mother Nature's gotta cooperate, and this year she did."

When you talk about getting ready to open for the season, the cooperation of Mother Nature and the snow making itself is only one part of the bigger picture. It's also about getting the building ready and the hiring, training and staffing of all of the departments at the resort. And then you get around to make a ton of snow. Many many many tons of snow.

"We have a permit with the Department of Natural Resources," explains Dietz. "We pump water from the Little Maquoketa River at the base of the hill through an underground pipe system and push it up through the air and water through snow guns at about 150 gallons per minute per gun."



Out of the window we could see one such 440 watt Italian-made snow making monster. "They've gotten very high tech. The new guns can be controlled from your phone." Just like everything else these days. But most of us don't have a 440 watt plug around the house. Over 130 of their energy saving snow guns also use a costly additive instead of relying on air compressors to manufacture champagne snow that grooms better and resists icing.

"Our permit only allows us to take 2,000 gallons per minute from the river, so that's what we try to maximize. Years ago we were allowed to build a small dam in the river to create the reservoir from which the water is pulled while also allowing the river to continue flowing." It's important to Sundown to remain good stewards of the natural resources that they are privileged to utilize in the operation of the ski resort. And as Mark points out, "We're just borrowing it in the winter and we'll give it back to them in the spring, so it's a short term loan."



This year, the resort opened with about 75% of the area ready to ski. "I like to have at least 35% ready in order to open just because of the number of season pass holders and guests that come, and I hate to push them all onto one run. But this year, thanks to the great weather (note that Mark's idea of "great weather" varies greatly from our idea of great weather), we'll be at 75%."

Sundown's Director of Marketing, Stephanie Grutz, has been part of the team since she was just 14 years old and pretty much has a handle on everything that happens at the facility.



"We have 21 runs," she says with a map of the mountainside on her computer, "and two terrain parks (progressive beginner and advanced) where both skiers and snowboarders can take advantage of challenging elements including jumps and rails." Massive features like half pipes are generally reserved these days for the huge ski areas out west.

Mark adds, "What it boils down to is that we try to promote a family atmosphere here. We teach kids that are three years old, and we've got skiers that are 90 years old. Something we like to promote is outdoor activity, healthy lifestyles, exercise and fresh air."

Many people still think of skiing as an expensive hobby, mainly because of all the gear that is necessary to hit the slopes. While that perception was strong and probably more true in the 70's, it's not the case so much anymore.

"We do sell a season pass for \$300 for the year," Mark points out. "My golf membership is \$850. That season's a bit longer, but hand in hand it's bang for the buck. We're open for typically 100 to 110 days a year."



Stephanie also points out, "A lot of families take vacations and travel to do this kind of thing in most parts of the country, and Sundown allows for easy accessibility in the Midwest, keeping family winter vacations affordable."

"One day in Vail, Colorado is \$108.99 for a lift ticket alone, and the hours are 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.," explains Dietz. "We're open from 9 a.m. to midnight on some days, and a lift ticket is \$34 weekdays, \$42 on the weekend, and much less for kids under 12."

You don't even have to own skis or make a big investment in order to try skiing or snowboarding for the first time at Sundown. In fact, you don't really have to invest in anything but keeping yourself warm and dry.

"That's the key," says Mark. "If you have the proper clothing, dress in layers and waterproof on the outside, then we've got everything else you're going to need. You can buy from the gift shop here, but the rental department is extensive, and every year we invest \$45,000 to \$55,000 in updating our current inventory to try to keep it fresh and up-to-date."



They also have a lot of specials like 4 time and 5 time ski packages with lessons, rental and lift tickets for those coming for the first time or refreshing their skills. For over 25 years they have been developing a very special station teaching program that is easy and fun. Their website, www.sundownmntn.com has all of that information. But basically, for \$46 you can get a ski rental and a lift ticket and ski for virtually 12 hours. That's not just affordable; that's a great deal.

I asked Mark about the ebb and flow of popularity in skiing and snowboarding over the years, and he took us back to the start.



"Skiing really became glamorous after WWII. People had money and jobs and in the 50's and 60's, skiing really boomed, and that continued into the mid 80's when things kind of plateaued. As the population has grown, the skiing percentage hangs about the same. Last year in North America, 57 million people skied out of 330+ million people. Snowboarding took a big climb in the 90's and tapered off. So overall, about 70% of the population are skiers and 30% are snowboarders."

Grutz adds, "Teenagers in the 90's who were the first wave of snowboarders are switching to skiing as they get older and our park features become popular with snowboarders but also skiers."

At the beginning of this story, we talked about taking our local amenities for granted. Sundown certainly fits that bill. The state of Iowa has four ski areas, and if you add the other three up, that's how large Sundown is, so it's easily the biggest in Iowa. Illinois and Missouri each have two though Wisconsin and Minnesota each have a great deal of ski venues.

Sundown's highest lift is greater than all lifts in Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota up to Duluth, and all but two



in Wisconsin. From the top of the mountain, you can view hundreds of square miles of beautiful scenery. For six years, the National Ski Areas Association gave six Awards of Excellence to outstanding USA resorts. Sundown Mountain is the only midwest recipient. We're very lucky to have them right here in our community. For Mark growing up, Sundown was way out in the country. Now, with the growth of the city, it's just down the road.

"From our numbers," says Grutz, "locals are still easily the biggest draw for Sundown, but a lot of visitors come from Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, Waterloo and the Quad Cities including a good number of season pass holders." In fact, season pass holders come from as far as Chicago to ski Dubuque.



Much like casino gamers, people who love to ski Dubuque also love to go out west and take on the true mountains. For Sundown, this is not competition; it's an opportunity for partnership to provide greater services to their customers.



"My boyfriend and I travel west to ski every year," says Stephanie. "We were born and raised here, but we love to go to the big resorts, too. This year, what's unique about Sundown is that we have nine ski area partners from Idaho; Wyoming; Montana; Flagstaff, Arizona; Steamboat and Winter Park in Colorado; and even a couple resorts in the Midwest. Season pass holders can receive benefits from these other venues because they are members at Sundown."



Mark adds, "Those other venues love it, and it's something our pass holders want, so we like to provide those added value services to them. The big resorts realize that we're a great place to learn, building a potential vacation audience for them, but we're still and always will be their home hill."

Sundown is not Colorado and doesn't claim to be, but for local ski lovers and for those transplants from Colorado who find themselves living near Dubuque, they're just what the doctor ordered. They appreciate what they have here and it's just down to road for Dubuquers, not a trip you have to

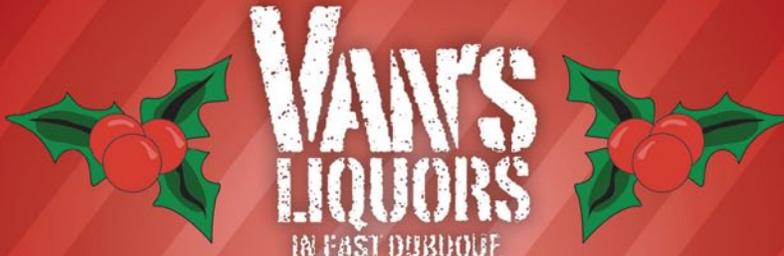
plan around. "A powder day here is as good as a powder day in Colorado. It's just as fun," says Stephanie.

Speaking of family fun, the story of how Sundown came to be and the history of the ownership through the years are both fairly non-traditional in this day and age.

Sundown essentially came from one gentleman's vision. In the early 1970's, Mr. Gene Gordon began researching the Dubuque area looking for just the right piece of land to fit the diverse needs of a ski facility. In reading topography maps and contour lines for the hills, he looked for a home that would allow for decent vertical for faster skiing, gentle slopes for beginners and access to plentiful water. He then brought together partners, some financial investors and others skilled partners who brought things like concrete and pumping expertise to the project. So, he was a creatively smart guy in putting a lot of people together to achieve his dream of MGJ Corporation, doing business as Sundown Mountain. They opened in the late 70's with one chair lift and a half dozen rope tows. Then they added another lift and another, then a building and so on it goes. The resort opened when skiing was a growing sport and grew quickly itself. Five instructors became 10, and now they have more than 100 instructors on staff.

Unlike many similar partnership ventures, over 90% of the original owners are still on board, which goes back to the main goal of Sundown of making and maintaining a family-friendly atmosphere. And Stephanie points out that they still ski every weekend in their 80's. Now their kids and grandkids are part of the skiing tradition. "Once it gets into your blood..." laughs Mark.

As for being in the blood, Mark himself started out skiing at Sundown in high school before moving to Colorado to work for Vail Associates for 12 years. He's no stranger to the workings of the biggest of the nation's premier ski venues. He initially returned to Dubuque to work in the boat business, Dubuque's other major outdoor pastime, while also working



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as a part-time instructor at Sundown. "Next thing you know, I'm the GM. I'm the top bird," he joked. "It's been a good ride. I've been through all aspects of the business from retail and food and beverage to instructing. So with all of those tidbits, it seems to work out very well for me here."

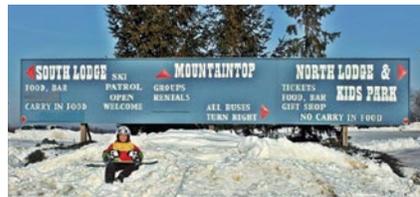


Though skiing and snowboarding are the main course at Sundown, being a family-friendly venue, there are always other things to do when you are visiting. There are two cafeterias that offer a variety of things from fried food to healthy alternatives as well as two lounges (bars) where adults can find adult libations or a hot cocoa if they prefer. And there is live music every Saturday from 2-6 p.m. as well as some Friday nights when they remain open until midnight. They



also do some barbeques outside when the grillbillies come out and do their thing. And the whole hill is lit which allows them to be open late into the evening for skiing and other special events, which happen often at Sundown. For example, just before the official opening at the end of November, they hosted a Snowvember Film Festival that drew over 100 people and raised cash and five big boxes of food for the Dubuque Food Pantry.

In 2013, there are hurdles to overcome when you run a ski resort that you didn't face 25 years ago.



"Back in the 70's, we didn't have iPhones and iPads and 500 TV stations, and Xbox, and the internet. We didn't have any of that," Mark reminds us. "We, as kids, just went outside. It was part of life. Now people aren't as hearty. People aren't as outdoorsy. Hunting license numbers are also down. It's something we see across all outdoor activities. It's a matter of keeping people active. Everyone's afraid they're going to get hurt or get cold. The more we're afraid of it, the more we hold ourselves into a non-social society."

In some cases, when you can't beat 'em, join 'em. That's what Stephanie Grutz is doing with her marketing. Social media has become Sundown's #1 area of outreach to its current skiers and potential new visitors. In fact, Sundown may be the best local business to utilize their marketing. Four years ago they had 300 fans. Today they have over 11,000. They even won the Dubuque Facebook "You Like Me" Award. In addition to hundreds of photos and videos, Stephanie does a great job of keeping a robust Facebook page active with what's happening now at Sundown, from current conditions to event and entertainment opportunities. Avid ski fans have been following daily updates on snowmaking and weather conditions as a hopeful opening day approached and the runs finally opened. And there's a big gallery of images already from opening day.

If we've not convinced you of the quality of Sundown yet, here are a couple of comments from visitors to the resort...

"I just got home from a two day trip to Sundown with two other friends. I wanted to let you know that we had a great time on your mountain. The lodge and bar area were wonderful and the skiing was great. The trails are laid out perfectly to get a nice long run in. The lift line was nothing, even on MLK day! All the staff was friendly and courteous. Thanks for making our trip not only worthwhile, but for giving us a nearby vacation spot for the years ahead. I can't wait to come back..."

"Today was our first time ever at Sundown Mountain and the first time skiing for everyone in the family... We had a fantastic time. All of the staff was so helpful and



friendly. While spending our time on the beginner slopes, there seemed to be lots of staff around. Everyone was ready to jump in and help our kids even without being in one of your classes. I highly recommend Sundown Mountain. We were so very impressed and happy with our experience. Thank you so much. What a great day!!"

General Manager Mark Dietz leaves us with one piece of advice for enjoying the winter. **"Get outside, get active, have fun!"**



Sundown Mountain Ski Resort is located at 16991 Asbury Rd. (Dubuque, IA 52002), just west of Asbury, IA. You can call them at 1-563-556-6676, visit their website at www.sundownmtn.com or like them on Facebook at facebook.com/SundownMountainResort.

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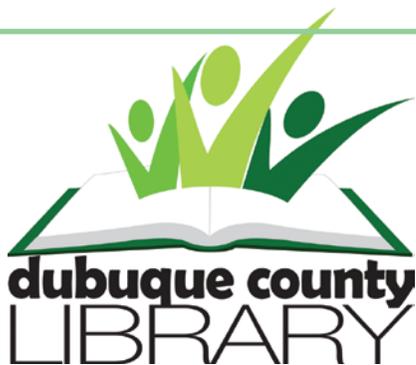
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Peosta/NICC Branch, 10-10:45 AM
Farley/Drexler Branch 6:30-7:15 PM

Preschool Story Time
Themes for December:
Favorite Toy – Bedtime

Peosta/NICC, Wednesdays
December 11th, 18th, 9:30 AM
Epworth Branch, Wednesdays
December 11th, 18th, 11:15AM
Asbury Branch, Thursdays,
December 12th, 19th, 11AM

Crafting Night
Epworth Branch,

Thursday, December 12th, 6-8pm
Come join the group! This month we will be making a 'book' wreath. Please register so we have enough supplies.

Holiday Movie & Craft
Holy Cross Branch,

Friday, December 13th, 6-7:30 p.m.



Come in from the cold to enjoy a holiday movie, craft and a treat at Dubuque County Library. We will be showing: **"Good Luck Charlie, It's Christmas"** (rated G). Space is limited. Please call your local branch to register. For families with preschool through early elementary age children.

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563-870-2082

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8342 NICC Drive
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Family Movie @ DCL

Farley/Drexler Branch, Saturday,
December 14th, 10-11:30 AM

Showing: "Smurfs 2" Rated PG

Peosta/NICC Branch, Thursday,
December 19th, 6:30-8 PM

Showing: "Monsters University", Rated G
Popcorn will be provided. No registration required.



Holiday Display

Asbury Village Cooperative
5297 Grand Meadow Dr. Monday,
December 16th, 10-11a.m.

Come see what the Dubuque County Library has to offer! See the new adult fiction, just in time for the holidays. Of course a holiday cookbook is a must. We will sample some Christmas recipes from Around the World. Share the Christmas spirit with a family DVD or pick up an audiobook for your travels.

LEGO My Library & Games too!

(Open to all, first grade & older)
Asbury Branch, Tuesday, December
17th, 3:15-4:45 p.m.

Join us to build, build, build! Make an awesome Lego creation, & then enjoy playing some of our favorite new & classic games. Open house style; come when you get out of school, then leave when you finish.

GAB Book Discussion

NICC/Peosta, Wednesday,
December 18th, 7-8pm

This month's selection: **"Holidays on Ice"** by David Sedaris; copies available on request. Come celebrate the season with Holiday Flair!



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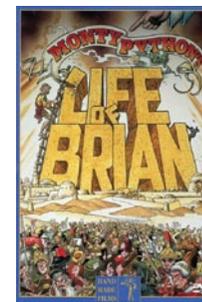
Free Movie: The Nativity Story
Wednesday, December 18, 6 p.m.
Aigler Auditorium, Library 3rd Floor.



Directed by Catherine Hardwicke and starring Keisha Castle-Hughes and Shohreh Aghdashloo, *The Nativity Story* (2006) is a dramatic account, as told from

Mary's perspective, of the Annunciation and the arduous journey of Mary and Joseph to give birth to baby Jesus. The movie is 101 minutes long and is rated PG for "some violent content." Admission is free, but seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Free Movie: Life of Brian
Thursday, December 19, 6 p.m.
Aigler Auditorium, Library 3rd Floor.



Written by and starring the British comedy troupe, Monty Python, *Life of Brian* (1979) is the satirical story of a young Jewish man who is born on the same day as

Jesus Christ and is subsequently mistaken for the Messiah. The movie is 93 minutes long and is rated R. Admission is free, but seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Attitude Matters

by matt booth

For some people, a positive attitude seems to come quite naturally, for others, it is very difficult. For all of us, attitude matters. Your attitude and the way you think make up your personality. People who think positively most of the time have a better outlook on life. Your outlook on life directly affects your perception of the world around you. Trying to see life positively doesn't mean that you keep your head in the sand and ignore its unpleasant situations it just means that you approach the unpleasantness in a more productive manner. You'd rather think the best is going to happen, not the worst. President Abraham Lincoln was fond of saying "People are about as happy as they make their minds up to be."

Positive thinking often starts with self-talk. Self-talk is the stream of unspoken thoughts that run through your head every day. These thoughts can be positive or negative. Some of your self-talk comes from logic and reason. Other self-talk may arise from misconceptions that you create because of lack of information. Your self-talk determines your attitude. If your self-talk is mostly negative, your outlook on life is going to be mostly negative. If your self-talk is mostly positive, your outlook on life is going to be mostly positive.

In general, people see the world not as it is, but rather, how they want to see it. Your view and your attitude create a lens that shapes and colors the people and situations around you. By trying to be positive as much as possible, you will find yourself in a much nicer world. Think about what is right in your life instead of dwelling on what is wrong. Thinking positive most of the time can add much value to your life. To a negative person, even the talk of being positive might sound delusional and unrealistic. Winston Churchill once said, "I am an optimist, it does not seem too much use in being anything else."

To be a positive person, you should be keenly aware that life is not all sunshine and rainbows. Bad things happen to good people all of the time – it is called life. Through your attitude, you possess tremendous power to do good or inflict harm, to reward or punish yourself and others. It is your choice – one you have to make on a daily basis. My attitude matters! Your attitude matters! In fact, it makes all the difference.



Simply having a positive mindset won't actually stop bad things from happening. Bad things happen to good people – it is called life. Having a positive mindset allows you to better deal with bad situations. Often, the best coping skills come down to nothing more than refusing to give in to negativity. The attitude you have towards something, determines what you think about that something. If you think about something long enough, you begin to talk about that something. When you talk about something enough, it begins to happen.

Mattitude Quote

"If at first you don't succeed – fail, fail again." - Matt Booth

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Reflections In The Park
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For nearly two decades, Tri-State families have enjoyed what has become an annual holiday tradition – a drive through Louis Murphy Park just off South Grandview to see the bright lights of Reflections In The Park. Begun in 1995 as a fundraiser for Hillcrest Family Services, Reflections In The Park has become, for many families, an activity essential to the holiday season.



This year's Reflections In The Park, which features 60 major displays, opened on the night of Thanksgiving and will run nightly from 5 to 10 p.m. through January 1, 2014. New this year, all the displays have been converted to more energy-efficient LED light technology, which while even brighter, uses less electricity and ensures greater reliability in display lighting. Using less electricity is not only a more sustainable way to go but also reduces expenses for sponsoring organization Hillcrest, thereby boosting the annual event's fundraising potential.

Reflections In The Park is, after all, a fundraiser for Hillcrest Family Services, a local health and education nonprofit with a range of community services for those less fortunate or in crisis, which has been helping people for over 115 years. Hillcrest has over thirty programs serving families from 66 Iowa counties and 27 different states. Now in it's 19th consecutive year, Reflections In The Park has

raised well over a million dollars for Hillcrest programming, thanks to dozens of local sponsors and the dedicated work of hundreds of volunteers. The display now draws approximately 50,000 people each year, raising over \$100,000 annually.



Another new program this year is a "Memory Lane" display, a starlit street sponsored by individuals to commemorate loved ones. Represented by the brightly shining lights, those honored loved ones are also listed in the Reflections In The Park brochure.

Admission to Reflections In The Park is just \$8 per car (squeeze in kids!) with special pricing available for vans and buses. Families with younger children might consider visiting the light display on Monday evenings from 5 to 8 p.m. (every Monday before Christmas) when Santa Claus will make a special appearance to greet park visitors. Don't forget to tune the radio to hear Christmas music in the car while you tour the light display! For more information, contact Reflections coordinator Sondra Bennett at 563-583-7357 or sondra.bennett@hillcrest-fs.org.



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Move over, Steve!

Do it yourself advice from a new mom who knows how...

by Sara Carpenter
from Steve's Ace Home & Garden



Gift Giving for those hard to buy for people.

Growing up with a Dad who owns a hardware store, I feel like I am an expert in shopping for those tricky people on your Christmas list. Here are some clever options to make your shopping easy breezy!

Gardener/ Outdoorsy person: How about the gift of life... in the form of a tree, that is! We can deliver a live tree or shrub or even make you a custom gift certificate for your loved one to spend in the spring. Also check out our extensive collection of wooden birdhouses. Maybe add it along with some seed in a beautifully presented gift basket from The Basket Shoppe at Steve's Ace?!

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forget a new toothbrush & toothpaste tied together with a bow.

Treat Your Teacher:

Go to the head of the class with a stocking stuffed with unique items any teacher is sure to love, such as Stash brand teas paired with Madhava flavored agave nectar for sweetness, Burt's Bees lotion and lip balm, Zum's popular Frankincense and Myrrh-scented soap wrapped in a cellophane gift bag and, of course, a fresh apple.



Love Your Neighbor:

Simply tie together a package of beautiful gourmet pasta, Hy-Vee Select classic olive oil and a jar of World Classics Tomato Basil pasta sauce as a way to remember your neighbor at the holiday season. Add an invitation to bring the items over to your house for dinner in the New Year - and this simple, thoughtful gift encourages both good health and friendship.

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A quality cheese slicer from your Hy-Vee delicatessen & gourmet cheese department allows you to slice perfectly thin slices of cheese for maximum flavor and extends the number of servings you can slice from a wedge of cheese. Pair with your choice of wine, a package of walnuts in their shells, a nutcracker and fresh fruit such as Holiday seedless grapes and fresh apples.



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TRIXIE KITSCH

BAD ADVICE FOR THE STUPID

Dear Trixie:

I think we need a new national anthem. The current song is very difficult to sing and most people cannot remember all the lyrics. This was brought to mind by James Taylor's recent gaff at a sporting event where he inadvertently started singing America the Beautiful instead of The Star Spangled Banner. The current anthem is a bitch to sing and the melody is based on an English tavern song. It speaks only to a battle in the war of 1812. It speaks nothing of our great country. America the Beautiful, on the other hand, is stately and much easier to sing. What do you think? - **A Patriot**

Dear Patriot:

I think if a new National Anthem is to be used it should be one that any idiot can sing off key and a song that instantly gets under your skin and irritates you long after it has ceased being sung. It should be like America itself: long, boring, repetitious and pointless. I vote for Freebird.

Dear Trixie:

I have been hiding my depression from my friends and family for the last 3 years. I force myself to go to social functions and be cheerful and try to blend in with the crowd and do what they are doing. Sometimes it's a simple cocktail party or an art exhibit or maybe out to see a band and play some pool. I pretend that I am fine and act as if I really am happy to hear how my friends are doing. In all honesty I am not happy for them. They are falling in love with great women and making financial gains in their jobs and are going on exotic vacations and staying in expensive resorts. My friend Timmy has a beautiful wife and a hot girlfriend and every time I see him he has to bring this up--knowing full well I am single and very lonely. The last five times I asked a woman out she either walked away laughing or just stared at me like I was speaking a foreign language. My other friend Rick bought one lottery ticket and won forty grand. I buy tickets

every week and have never won anything. I wondered if anyone would miss me if I disappeared for a few weeks so I hid out at home and didn't answer the phone or get on Facebook at all. Guess what? No one even noticed. I am unhappy in a non specific way and don't see it ending any time soon. What can I do? - **Totally Low Down and Blue**

Dear Totally:

Embrace your misery. Most of us claim we want to be happy—to have meaningful lives, enjoy ourselves, experience fulfillment, and share love and friendship with other people, get married--have lovely children. Strangely enough, however, some people act as if they just want to be miserable, and they succeed remarkably at inviting misery into their lives, even though they get little apparent benefit from it. Why do they do it? Because they know they will never be happy no matter how wonderful their wife is or how much money and success they achieve. This is who you are. It's inevitable that as you make yourself miserable, you'll be making those around you miserable also, at least until they leave you—which will give you another reason to feel miserable. So it's important to keep in mind the benefits you're accruing in your misery: you are bringing misery to all those happy folks around you! Being miserable can give the impression that you're a wise and worldly person, especially if you're miserable not just about your life, but about society in general. You can project an aura of someone burdened by a form of profound, tragic, existential knowledge that happy, shallow people can't possibly appreciate. Elevate it to an art form. Use your depressive negativism to destroy all the relationships you have between family, friends and your job. This can be your new hobby. Make a spread sheet and figure out who you know is the happiest and go after them first. You can hole up and feel sorry for yourself or you can get out there and make a difference in someone's life with your gift of misery.

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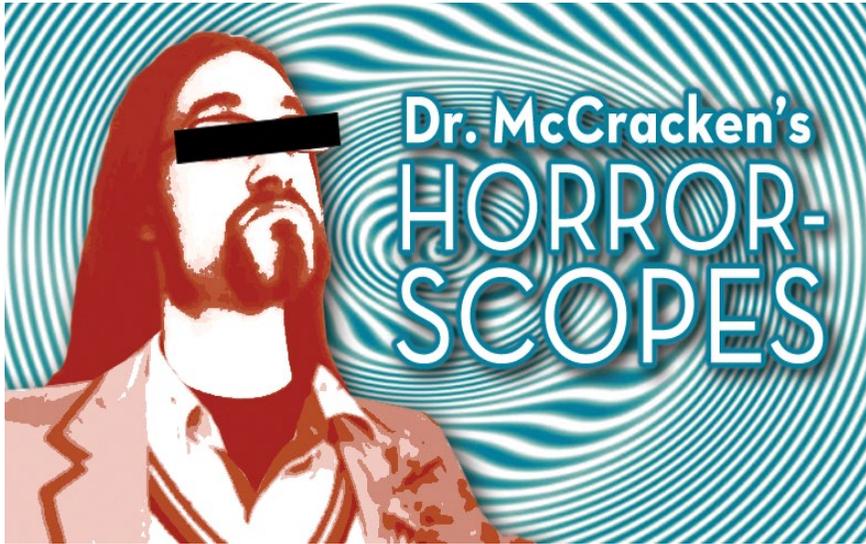
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Aries 3/21-4/19

There's only so much you can learn about iPhone cases shaped like candy bars. Get some sleep.



Taurus 4/20-5/20

That poem you've been thinking about writing just needs a little inspiration, the right language, some vivid imagery, and someone else to write it.



Gemini 5/21-6/21

If you stare long enough into the soul of that French Toast and Sausage Tornado from the gas station, it will stare back into yours.



Cancer 6/22-7/22

Once again, New York cop John McClane is in the wrong place at the wrong time. This time he's waiting for his wife's plane to arrive at Washington's Dulles Airport when he uncovers a plot to sabotage the airport's landing system. The criminals wish to free a drug baron being extradited to America for trial by holding the airport to ransom until they all safely escape on another plane. However, if they'd known that Holly McClane was on a flight home to the very airport they were hijacking, they would have picked another day. Your lucky number is 33.



Leo 7/23-8/22

If you're feeling unlucky lately, try doing a scratch off ticket and then not talking to anyone for the rest of the month or possibly your life.



Virgo 8/23-9/22

Despite doubts you've had in the educational system, it's never too late to open a book about basketball and pretend that you're not just mostly spending your life decomposing gym shorts through repeated use.



Libra 9/23-10/22

To prepare for an upcoming surprise from your past, open your front door, yell into eternity, and act like nothing ever happened ever.



Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Name your new cat after a rare disease that people will hope you catch when you won't stop tweeting pictures of it.



Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

Though you may feel easily frustrated at early signs of resistance to your goals, just remember that one day the earth will be too cold to sustain human life.



Capricorn 12/22-1/19

Eventually, all the things you have on your DVR will outlive you.



Aquarius 1/20-2/18

I'm very proud of you for quitting smoking. Let's celebrate with mushrooms.



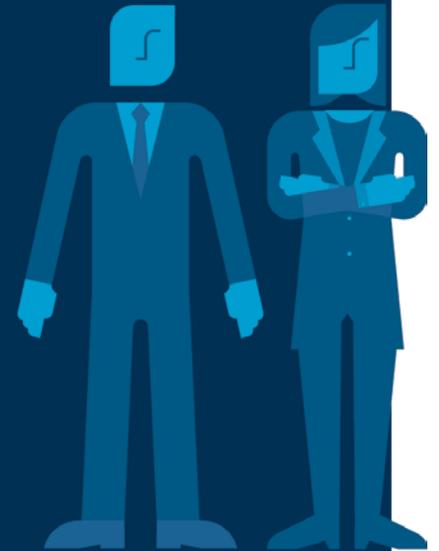
Pisces 2/19-3/20

Don't worry if you have feelings of being at a ledge looking down over everyone else's success, as it's just an unbeatable, overarching depression that will never go away.



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8	7							4
	9						6	
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	6		8		4			

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

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Sudoku Answers

3	6	9	7	1	8	7	9	2
7	8	4	9	2	9	1	6	6
9	1	2	7	3	6	4	8	5
1	8	8	6	7	5	2	6	9
6	9	7	8	4	2	3	6	1
2	4	6	3	9	1	5	7	8
1	8	8	6	7	5	2	6	9
4	1	6	3	9	1	5	7	8
7	5	9	1	6	4	2	3	8

Crossword Answers

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F	L	U	X	S	E	A	S	O	N	E	N	D	H	A	T					
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