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I see that Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds announced today that she is cutting Federal Unemployment benefits to Iowa residents beginning June 12. On social media, the news was received with equal amounts of relief and consternation.

As part of the change, the state will end Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation payments, the extra \$300 that all unemployed workers were scheduled to receive until September. The state also is ending Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation, which extended benefits to workers who had received payments for the full 26 weeks under other programs. Reynolds said that she is ending the unemployment benefits because business leaders have complained that they can't find enough job applicants.

This is a tough spot. I'm a really liberal guy, but I completely understand the objective of cutting the benefits. People are not coming back to work. These Governors think this will make that happen. I know many local employers who have staffing needs at the bottom end of the salary food chain and are dancing in the streets today, hoping that it is the magic elixir that gives them the workers they need to provide the services they want to provide across all of the open hours they want to provide those services. And it just might. We will see.

But I don't think that ending the benefits is ever going to put things back to where they were before the pandemic turned things upside down. I believe that there will be lasting changes across many aspects of life that will be forever different because of what we experienced over the last year, from the movie industry to education to working from home to dining out. We're not the same as we were in 2019.

One of the big changes that the pandemic has "pushed the curve on" (a phrase that comes up in our cover story) is the future of minimum wage. While people can argue that \$15 is too high for the minimum wage, the fact that it has not gone up a penny from \$7.25 in 12 years is a corporate-led crime. If it has taken COVID-19 to finally push the curve on this issue,

so be it. Of course, it'll hurt to make the change. That's what happens when you let a problem fester for over a decade. If we would have kept a realistic healthy pace this whole time, this would not be a problem. Instead, we created an avoidable crisis. While I don't think you should be able to feed and house a family of four on minimum wage, one person should be able to live on minimum wage because it's not teenagers filling all of these jobs as much as people want you to think that's the case.

And we are seeing people not even filling the \$10 an hour jobs. I don't know if it's just because of the unemployment benefits or if people are just fed up with working for such poor wages. If people just refuse to take jobs paying under \$10 or \$12, then the only solution is to raise those wages to a place people will be willing to work them for. Will that make other prices go up? Probably. And I think it can hurt small businesses more which sucks. This is where the ideology of big business shows how it is broken.

I saw the posting of signs at Casey's in Dubuque asking for patience because no one wants to work anymore. The request for understanding is laudable. The clear frustration in the "no one wants to work" part is just lashing out. And the person posting that sign is not "the man." They're not being paid well either. And sorry to pick on Casey's as they are just one of the many, but when their business model is focused on achieving a billion dollars of annual profit for their shareholders and NOT focusing first or at least ALSO on proving a healthy and fulfilling workplace for its people, then the system is clearly broken. What if we just tried to make a couple hundred million in profits instead of a couple billion and we pay our people a living wage and benefits? Crazy, right?

Are people being lazy and sitting on the unemployment benefit currently offered? Well, they might be taking the benefits, but I would not use the term lazy. If they were big businesses and they took federal funds to supplement their coffers without having to work to get them, Wall Street would call them great business people and shower them with praise. When it's the little guy applying the tactics that big business uses as a mainstay of success, suddenly it's considered suckling off the government teet. Is it healthy? No. Do I think it's a long-term solution? No. Do I blame anyone for doing it? Hell no. Especially those who have been held down in minimum wage jobs for a decade due to whatever circumstance. We're not going to

malign these people here today. You don't know their situation, and they don't know yours. I saw a quote recently that corrected the saying "we're all on the same boat" to "No, we're all in the same storm, but the boats are anything by equal."

I don't think people are refusing to go back to work mainly because they are not willing to risk their lives with COVID for minimum wage. For a long time, yes, for sure. But that argument is getting pretty thin now. And you should not have to use it. It should be enough to just not want to work for indentured servant-like wages. If paying them more means we have to pay the people who already get \$15 an hour more, then do it. Again, there will be pains, but just because we looked the other way for the last 12 years and got ourselves in a quagmire does not mean the answer is "well, we're knee-deep in the crap, so I guess we should just stay here."

There's an argument made that raising the minimum wage to \$15 means the \$15 wage people need to go to \$20, and the \$20 to \$25. But that counter-argument stops there. I say take it all the way to the end of the logical trail. Eventually, the \$100,000 gets \$120,000, but at the tippy-top, you finally get to the "guy" or company that pocketed the massive profit to raise their stock a half a point this quarter. That's where the slack is in the system. Everyone bumps up as they should, and at the top, the massive mountain of cash piling up there is now a pile of cash instead of a mountain. The CEO gets a few million instead of \$300 million or a golden parachute when he does something stupid and has to leave. This is less true, of course, the smaller the company gets like small businesses. By the way, what other job screws up and gets a huge payout instead of a pink slip? CEOs and football coaches. Good grief.

A couple of weeks ago I started tipping at drive-thrus. What the heck. It's a way of saying thanks for working when you could probably choose not to and make just as much or more. Mostly I get looks of stunned amazement... for two bucks. I should have done it a lot sooner. Do you have two bucks? Give it a try. I think it makes an impact not just on their income but their minds too.

I really hope people get back to work. I really hope my friends who own businesses get the help they need to get back to success, and I hope that success allows them to pay good people good wages. I will pay more for my lunch. I understand. I hope others will accept the same need for evolution on this matter. My two cents. ■



LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

THURSDAY:
ROCK STAR BINGO
7 P.M - 9 P.M

FRIDAY:
VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT SHOW
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Great Give Day

THURSDAY, MAY 13

ONLINE

Great Give Day is a 24-hour, online giving event established by Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque to celebrate and support local nonprofits and build a stronger community.

On May 13, visit GreatGiveDay.org to make gifts of \$10 or more and track nonprofits' progress on the leaderboard. Bonus grants will be made available to amplify charitable donations thanks to generous corporate partners, donors, and affiliate foundations. Plus, gifts of \$50 or more to endowed funds are

eligible for the Endow Iowa 25% State Tax Credit. That means your gift costs you less but still makes a substantial difference for your community.

Since 2014, Great Give Day has raised \$2,087,264 for local nonprofits. Last year they raised \$339,653 for 162 nonprofits. Their seven-county region includes Allamakee, Clayton, Clinton, Delaware, Dubuque, Jackson, and Jones Counties.

For more information, call the Community Foundation at **563-588-2700** or visit GreatGiveDay.org. ■

Food Truck Fridays

MUSICAL GUEST: JOIE WAILS

FRIDAYS: MAY 14, JUNE 11,
JULY 9, AUGUST 20, AND
SEPTEMBER 10 @ 11 AM-1 PM
WASHINGTON PARK (700 LOCUST ST)

Walk, bike, or drive to Washington Park where food trucks will line the streets, ready to celebrate the end of the week with you. Brought to you by Travel Dubuque, this event takes places every second Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., May through October.

Enjoy lunch from Bob & Lou's, Buenie Bottoms Outdoor Grill, Candle Ready Cakes, Happi Hibachi, Magoo's Pizza, Vesperman Farms Ice Cream.

Live music is sponsored by 365ink Magazine. Passionate, powerful, and rockin' are three words that describe Joie



Wails. Strong harmonies covering Alice In Chains to Nirvana to Vance Joy plus an adorable selection of country favorites from bands like Lady Antebellum and Jason Aldean and sprinkle in some Olivia Newton John and it's simply magic!

Additional musical performances include Ralph Kluseman on June 11, Andy Wilberding on July 9, Maureen Kilgore on Aug. 20, and John Moran on Sept. 10.

For more information, visit TravelDubuque.com. ■

John and Alice Butler Pipe Organ Dedication

FEATURING THE COLUMBUS SYMPHONY AND
GUEST ORGANIST ALAN MORRISON

SATURDAY, MAY 15 @ 7:30 PM
ONLINE

The University of Dubuque will dedicate its new custom-crafted pipe organ in John and Alice Butler Hall, Heritage Center on Saturday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m. with a special performance by the Columbus Symphony and world-renowned organist Alan Morrison.

Conducted by Columbus Symphony Music Director Rossen Milanov from Columbus, OH, the performance's repertoire will include music from Léon Boëllmann, Edward Elgar, Alexandre Guilmant, Camille Saint-Saëns, and



William Grant Still. A dedication ceremony honoring John and Alice Butler will be held before the performance at 6:30 p.m.

A beautiful instrument with 3,000-plus pipes, the John and Alice Butler Pipe Organ was gifted by UD Trustee John Butler (DHL'17) and his spouse, Alice (DHL'17).

The dedication and performance are free. View the dedication livestream at 6:30 p.m. at facebook.com/UDubuque or YouTube.com/UDBQMedia. The performance follows at 7:30 p.m. at bit.ly/21CSOYT. ■

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Architecture Days

MAY 17-22
VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE
Dubuque Main Street (DMS), in collaboration with local businesses and organizations, will celebrate the re-emergence of downtown events with Architecture Days, May 17-22, featuring a schedule of tours and programs. DMS invites the public to appreciate the art that is the historic architecture in our city center.

Architecture Days, now in its 15th year, is inspired by Preservation Month. The mission of Architecture Days is to heighten the recognition of architecture as an art form and to explore the rich architectural landscape of Dubuque through programming for all ages. Architecture Days offers a public opportunity to learn more about architecture and Dubuque's historic fabric, celebrating our sense of place, our unique treasures, and the city's growth through commitment to architectural reuse.



For health and safety protocol, there will be limited attendance and reservations required for certain events.

Events are presented by Dubuque Main Street, in collaboration with the Carnegie-Stout Public Library, the City of Dubuque's Historic Preservation Commission, 563 Design, Heritage Works, the Dubuque County Historic Preservation Commission, and the Dubuque County Historical Society.

For more information, call Dubuque Main Street at **563-588-4400** or register for events and download the scavenger hunt at **DowntownDubuque.org**. ■

Construction and Destruction

MONDAY, MAY 17
CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY
Build a tower using library-provided materials, then explore fun ways to knock it down. Pick up your Grab & Go bag at the Children's Help Desk. Ages 6 and under. 360 W 11th St.

Free Building Tour: Dubuque Boat and Boiler Works

TUESDAY, MAY 18 @ 5:30 PM
MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM
A part of Dubuque since 1904, see the renovations and new museum displays in this industrial building that continues to celebrate the art of building vessels. 350 E 3rd St.

Dubuque Preservation Awards Reception and Recognition Presentation

TUESDAY, MAY 18 @ 6 PM
MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM
City of Dubuque and Dubuque County Historic Preservation Commission Annual Award Ceremony. Learn about quality preservation projects of all sizes taking place in our community. RSVP required. 350 E 3rd St.

Free Building Tour: The Driftless

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19 @ NOON
THE DRIFTLESS
Winner of the Iowa Main Street Award and Ken Kringle Award for outstanding Interior Rehabilitation, The Driftless is a uniquely curated and customizable event space located in the heart of the Dubuque Millwork District. The Driftless is the former Avery Railing building. RSVP required. 168 E 10th St.

Free Building Tour: Emerging Residential Space

THURSDAY, MAY 20 @ NOON
TENTATIVE CONLON CONSTRUCTION CO./ KRETSCHMER LLC BUILDING
Conlon and Kretschmer are planning to turn a building in the Millwork District into a residential space. RSVP Required. 220 E 9th St.

Jackson Park Walking Tour

SATURDAY, MAY 22 @ 10 AM
JACKSON PARK
Founded in 1833 as City Cemetery, the area now known as Jackson Park is rich in cultural and architectural history. Explore residential, commercial, and religious architecture in the surrounding neighborhood. Tour led by Duane Hagerty and Jason Neises. RSVP required. 15th and Iowa St.

Dubuque Architecture Scavenger Hunt

ALL WEEK
Download a PDF of the hunt and return the completed form by May 22 for a chance to win a gift package! **office@dubuquemainstreet.org**.

Architecture-Themed Film with Kanopy

ALL WEEK
Dubuque residents can log in to Kanopy and watch up to 10 movies a month. Just search for architecture as a topic! Provided by the Carnegie-Stout Public Library. **CarnegieStout.org**.

Assemble and Decorate a Wooden Birdhouse

ALL WEEK
Make a wooden birdhouse with a laser cutter/engraver. You can also pick up a coloring sheet featuring historic Dubuque buildings. Provided by the Carnegie-Stout Public Library.

THU 5/13

Enchanted Forest Hike

9 AM-4:30 PM @ SWISS VALLEY PRESERVE (PEOSTA, IA)
See page 34 for details.

Dubuque Market

10 AM-4 PM @ AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY DISCOVERY SHOP
May 13-22 Find a variety of Dubuque-themed goods at the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop's Dubuque Market! Original artwork, prints, memorabilia, and books about Dubuque and by Dubuque Authors will be featured in this special event. Shop Tuesday-Saturday. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. 2197 University Ave. **563-582-9800**. facebook.com/DubuqueDiscoveryShop.

Page & Palette Book Group: The Matisse Stories

6 PM @ RIVER LIGHTS BOOKSTORE
Pages & Palette is a book group for art lovers. Discuss *The Matisse Stories* by A. S. Byatt. 1098 Main St. **563-556-4391**. RiverLights.com.



Know Your Craft Beer—For Beginners

6-7:30 PM @ BACKPOCKET DUBUQUE
Learn about different styles of beer, proper glassware, and food pairings. Facilitated by Tara Cooley, Beer Server Certified Cicerone®. Ages 21+. \$15. 333 E 10th St. **844-642-2338**. nicc.edu/solutions.

FRI 5/14

Ornery Mule Mountain Challenge

5-8 PM @ CHESTNUT MOUNTAIN RESORT (GALENA, IL)
This new race is ultra short (1.5 miles) but ultra tough! \$45. **815-261-2667**. 8700 W Chestnut Mountain Rd, Galena, IL. ultrasignup.com.

DBQ-WI High School Rodeo

DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS HORSE ARENA
May 14-16. Each summer, the “best of the best” from each state and province qualify for the National High Finals Rodeo. Approximately 1,000 competitors show off their talents in the event and compete for thousands of dollars in scholarships and prizes. 14569 Old HWY Rd. facebook.com/riverrodeocommittee.

Free Seed Program Deadline

The Dubuque County Extension Office is offering a free green bean seed program sponsored by the Dubuque County Master Gardeners. Program participants will receive 50 free pole bean seeds and season-long updates on good growing practices for raising green beans throughout the 2021 gardening season. **563-583-6496**. bit.ly/freebeanseed.

SAT 5/15



Galena Sky Trail Races

8 AM-5 PM @ CHESTNUT MOUNTAIN RESORT (GALENA, IL)
Find out how many miles you can run or walk through the same hills you ski on in

the winter during the 8 and 4 hour running event. \$79. **815-261-2667**. 8700 W Chestnut Mountain Rd, Galena, IL. galenaskytrailrace.com.



Herb Spiral Workshop

9 AM-NOON @ CONVIVIVM URBAN FARMSTEAD
Convivium Farm Manager, A.J., will teach you the basics of what an herb spiral is and how it functions. Assist in the actual building of an herb spiral in one of the neighborhood gardens. \$15. 2811 Jackson St. **563-557-2900**. eventbrite.com/e/145761124447.

7th Annual Cascade Wing and Brew Fest

3-7 PM @ CASCADE RIVERVIEW AMPHITHEATER (CASCADE, IA)
The Cascade Area Chamber of Commerce hosts a day

of tasty wings, cold brews, and live music. A punch card gets you eight wings. Grill masters are encouraged to compete for three cash prizes. 101 Pierce St SW, Cascade, IA. **563-690-8611**. facebook.com/cascadeareachamber.

Star Gazing

8:30 PM @ GALENA TERRITORY OWNERS' CLUB (GALENA, IL)
See page 34 for details.


SUN 5/16

Dubuque Symphony Youth Ensembles Spring Concert

5 PM @ ONLINE
The DYSE String Ensemble, Philharmonia, Wind Ensemble and Youth Orchestra present their spring concert. The DSYE is an educational outreach program of the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra. Free. facebook.com/DubuqueSymphony.

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Trucker's Thursday Night Tiny Town Tavern Tour

THURSDAYS: MAY 20, JUNE 17, JULY 15, AND AUGUST 19 @ 5 PM
MCGRATH DUBUQUE HARLEY-DAVIDSON

Join McGrath Dubuque Harley-Davidson for a tour to a tiny town to tantalize your taste buds with tasty treats and tottys! This year, the party isn't staying in the Harley parking lot. Nope, they're hitting the road to visit the places that make owning a Harley great. And fear not, you don't have to ride a Harley to join the tour, but you'll probably wish you did. They can help with that too.

Line up at 5 p.m. at McGrath Dubuque Harley-Davidson. Kickstands up at 6 p.m. as the run rolls out to Coe's Bar in Bernard, IA. Home of the best steaks around according to their Facebook page. The rest of the menu looks like the greatest hits of fantastic biker bar food, from a



ton of specialty sandwiches and burgers to broasted chicken and a slew of sides. Future Tiny Town Tavern Tour stops include Yoder's in Rockville, WI on June 17, Dirty Ernie's in Farley, IA on July 15, and the Bent Rim in Cascade, IA on Aug. 19. ■



Children's Spring "Birthday" Party

SUNDAY, MAY 23 @ 11 AM-2 PM
DUBUQUE ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDENS (3800 ARBORETUM DR)

Children will have a chance to mingle with some of their favorite characters from books, movies, and TV during the annual Children's Spring Party at the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens on Sunday, May 19 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This year's event, sponsored by MidWestOne Bank, carries a birthday party theme.

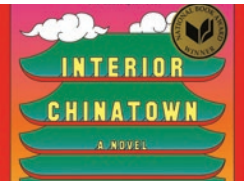
Dubuque Senior High School cheerleaders, costumed as popular characters such as Dora, Elmo, and Snow White, will assist children as they travel through the gardens, enjoying a day among the flowers! In addition, children can also enjoy edible birthday crafts, pose for photos with the characters, get free balloons from MidWestOne Bank, plus play their favorite carnival games and choose a

prize. Fun gifts from toy cars to mini Trolls dolls are provided by 365ink Magazine and Toys for Tots. The cheerleaders will also offer face painting and tattoos. You might even find a fire truck, police car, or Paramount Ambulance on hand for tours.

Lunch, ice cream, and beverages will be available for purchase in the Packard Pavilion. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to bring their phones and cameras to take advantage of the many photo opportunities. The Children's Spring Party will take place rain or shine.

Admission is \$1 per person, all ages, payable at the gate. No advance tickets are needed. For more information, contact the Arboretum office at 563-556-2100 or visit DubuqueArboretum.net. ■

MON 5/17



L.May Book Group: Interior Chinatown
7 PM @ L.MAY EATERY
Libations and discourse over a variety of literary genres. Discuss *Interior Chinatown: A Novel* by Charles Yu. 1072 Main St. 563-556-4391. RiverLights.com.

TUE 5/18

Preserve the Taste of Summer: PTTS 101
10-11 AM AND 6:30-7:30 PM @ ONLINE
The PTTS 101 course is a general overview that highlights the key information Iowans need to know to get started preserving food at home. Preserving your garden's summer bounty is a great way to enjoy your home-grown produce year round—as long as you don't serve food borne illness, like botulism, with your home preserved foods. Hosted by ISU Extension and Outreach. Free. extension.iastate.edu/dubuque.

Brain Health Panel Presentation
6:30-8 PM @ ONLINE
Crescent Community Health Center will feature a panel of presenters on brain health. Presented by the Dubuque Franciscans' Canticle of Creation Center. tinyurl.com/34apwkr.

WED 5/19



Introduction to Sourdough Bread
6:30-7 PM @ ONLINE
In this premiere video, Carnegie-Stout's Ben shows

a very basic way to create and care for a sourdough starter. Begin making your own bread, the old-fashioned way! Learn how to make a simple boule on June 2. Watch the video premiere on the Carnegie-Stout Public Library's Facebook page or YouTube channel. carnegioustout.org.

THU 5/20



Antiracism Book Club: Men We Reaped
6-7:30 PM @ ONLINE
In five years, Jesmyn Ward lost five young men in her life to drugs, accidents, suicide, and the bad luck that can follow people who live in poverty, particularly Black men. Dealing with these losses, one after another, made this two-time National Book Award winner ask the question: Why? And as she began to write about the experience of living through all the dying, she realized the truth—and it took her breath away. RSVP required. Free. shakeragalley.org.

Cooking Class: Julia Child Recipes
6-8:30 PM @ ONLINE
Join Angela and Carolyn Linton-Canfield, owners of Life's a Feast, for a night of food, fun, and laughs. Watch and follow along or cook along with them! \$35. 844-642-2338. nicc.edu/solutions.



Author Farrah Rochon
6:30 PM @ ONLINE
Bestselling romance author Farrah Rochon will share her latest novel *The Boyfriend Project* and answer reader

questions. Those who register will be entered to win a copy of *The Boyfriend Project*. RSVP required. Free. 563-589-4225. bit.ly/RochonDBQ.

Preserve the Taste of Summer: Jam Making Basics
6:30-7:30 PM @ ONLINE
Learn how to safely preserve jams and jellies. Hosted by ISU Extension and Outreach. Free. extension.iastate.edu/dubuque.

FRI 5/21



Outlaw Truck & Tractor Pull
7-10 PM @ DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
May 21 and 22. Fast-pace, high-horsepower excitement with six classes pulling each night on two tracks! Pull your street legal truck by qualifying on Thursday night. \$20 ages 13 and older, \$10 ages 6-12, free ages 5 and under. 14569 Old HWY Rd. 563-588-1406. DBQfair.com.

SAT 5/22



Meditative Photography
9 AM-3:30 PM @ SHALOM SPIRITUALITY CENTER
Award-winning photographer David LaBelle offers three lessons on light, timing, and composition; and the importance of slowing down and learning to see beauty in the commonplace. This is a hands-on class using your smartphone camera. Includes lunch. RSVP by May 18. \$40. 1001 Davis St. 563-582-3592. ShalomRetreats.org.

Hunger Crop Walk

10 AM @ MURPHY PARK
Raise money and awareness to end hunger. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. with music by the Americana Band. A blessing and dedication in memory of Dorothy Krayer and Sister Anita Therese Hayes, Charity BVM at 10 a.m. kicks off the event, followed by a walk down South Grandview Ave. Complimentary sack lunch, displays, activities, and music at 11:30 a.m. The walk supports the Dubuque Rescue Mission, Dubuque Food Pantry, People In Need (PIN), and Church World Service globally. Masks required. 1700 S Grandview Ave. **563-599-4497**. facebook.com/DubuqueCROP.

SUN 5/23**Citizens Science Workshop**

10 AM @ SWISS VALLEY NATURE PRESERVE (PEOSTA, IA)
See page 34 for details.

MON 5/24**Craft Cocktails: The Art of the Perfect Drink**

6 PM @ BRAZEN OPEN KITCHEN + BAR
Learn everything you will need to become a beginner mixologist with Brazen's Bar Manager, Jon Rolling. Ages 21+. \$45. 955 Washington St. Ste 101. **844-642-2338**. nicc.edu/solutions.

Better Photos with Any Camera

6-8 PM @ NICC TOWN CLOCK BUSINESS CENTER
Nicki Kohl guides you in tricks for lighting and composition for maximizing your photo quality. This beginner class accepts DSLR cameras, point-and-shoot cameras, and even smartphones are welcome to participate in this

class on general photography practice. \$25. 680 Main St. **844-642-2338**. nicc.edu/solutions.

TUE 5/25**Lunch Time Book Group: The Complete Short Stories Of Ernest Hemingway**

11 AM @ RIVER LIGHTS BOOKSTORE
Discuss The Complete Short Stories Of Ernest Hemingway by Ernest Hemingway. 1098 Main St. **563-556-4391**. RiverLights.com.

WED 5/26**Sustainable Book Discussion: Waste**

6:30 PM @ ONLINE
Join Green Iowa Americorps, the Dubuque Metropolitan Area Solid Waste Agency, and Carnegie-Stout Public Library for a virtual discussion of Waste: One Woman's

Fight Against America's Dirty Secret by Catherine Coleman Flowers. RSVP required. Free. **563-589-4225**. bit.ly/WasteDBQ.

SAT 5/29**Little Maquoketa River Mounds Restoration Day**

9-10:30 AM @ LITTLE MAQUOKETA RIVER MOUNDS
This 41-acre preserve features 32 ancient burial mounds. The preserve also harbors a mature forest containing numerous wildflowers and a small remnant of native blufftop prairie. A trail up the 200-foot steep bluff continues at the top to circle around the Indian Mounds that are protected by fencing. Assistance is needed to remove unwanted woody vegetation from this unique area to preserve the mounds. No experience necessary and all equipment

provided. 18062 Walking Way. facebook.com/dubuquecountyconservation.

Donut Demolition Eating Contest

9-11 AM @ DONUT BOY
The 2nd annual donut hole eating contest comes with a \$500 cash prize. Contestants will eat their way through as many donut holes as they can in eight minutes and will be provided with one glass of milk. Open to ages 18 and older though all ages are invited to watch the competition. \$20 entry. DonutDemolition.com.

Sew Many Quilts! Exhibit Opening

11 AM-4 PM @ MATHIS HAM HISTORIC SITE
More than simple blankets, quilts have a long tradition of functionality, practicality, and beauty. Featuring a variety of quilts, Sew Many Quilts! is an introduction to quilt-making as a practical art form. Discover the artistry and history

associated with each quilt and foster an appreciation for the skill, ingenuity, and individuality displayed within. \$7.50 Adults, \$4 ages 3-17, free ages 2 and under. 2241 Lincoln Ave. **563-557-9545**. RiverMuseum.com/hamsite.

**Hoof'n + Groove'n**

6-9 PM @ HOOF IT GOAT TREKS (GALENA, IL)
Star-filled skies, a roaring bonfire, gooey s'mores, live music, and goats! Take an evening trek as the sun sets and the light fades from the forest. Return to a roaring bonfire, s'more baskets, and live music. BYO blanket or lawn chair and snacks or order food delivery. \$65. 616 S Devil's Ladder Rd, Galena IL. **563-663-6944**. hoofit-galena.com.



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Kickoff to Summer

FRIDAY, MAY 28 @ 6 PM-MIDNIGHT

DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS BEER GARDEN (14569 OLD HWY RD)

Verlo Mattress presents the Budweiser Kickoff to Summer as it moves the long-running party to the Dubuque County Fairgrounds for 2021. Join the party on Friday, May 28 from 6 p.m. to midnight in the beer garden.

Always on the Friday of Memorial Day weekend, this year's party lineup includes a roster of great local talent and touring artists. The LoveMonkeys are a long-time party festival favorite from Milwaukee,

WI, and they are celebrating their 30th year of rockin' the Midwest. They are supported by Bad Hair, a tribute to the great pop-rock and metal of the '80s as well as Tri-State up-and-coming favorites, Tanner Lee and the Beach Bums. Cold beer and great food will be available for purchase.

Kickoff to Summer is a free, all ages event supporting the Sertoma Club, FFA, Children's Zoo, and Camp Albrecht Acres. ■

Taste of Summer Series

THURSDAYS: JUNE 3, JULY 1, AND AUGUST 5 @ 6-9 PM

NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM (350 E 3RD ST)

A modified version of Taste of Dubuque, the temporarily reformatted Taste of Summer series is scheduled for the first Thursday in June, July, and August from 6 to 9 p.m. and will enable attendees of all ages to enjoy a less crowded event experience while still providing the original event's signature tastes and entertainment.

Taste of Summer will be located behind the gates in the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium's boatyard and plaza areas. Attendees are asked to follow the City of Dubuque mask mandate and encouraged to bring their own lawn chair or blanket as a limited number of picnic tables will be provided.

In keeping with the Taste tradition, a modified series of awards will be announced each evening for the top savory dish, the top sweet dish, and a fan favorite dish or dessert selected by the attendees. Four to five different food vendors will appear at each of the events as well as two live bands.

The tentative schedule of food vendors and bands may change. Find the current



schedule at RiverMuseum.com/taste or [Facebook.com/rivermuseum](https://www.facebook.com/rivermuseum).

Thursday, June 3 food vendors are The Crepe Iron, Adobos Mexican Grill, Sugar Ray's BBQ, and Elle & Becks with live music from Amber and Adam Beck and The Elizabeth Mary Band.

Thursday, July 1 hosts The Food Store, Happy Hibachi, Hot Diggity Dogz, and Vesperman Farms Ice Cream with live music from The Lads and Joie Wails.

Thursday, Aug. 5 closes the series with Magoo's Pizza, Versus, Tony Roma's, and Koppes Kreations with live music from Boys of Lloyd and The Struggle.

Taste of Summer is open to all ages and is free to attend. Both beverage sales and freewill donations will support the River Museum's conservation efforts to save endangered species.

For more information, call the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium at **563-557-9545** or visit RiverMuseum.com/taste. ■



Music in the Gardens

SUNDAYS THROUGH AUGUST 29 @ 6:30 PM

DUBUQUE ARBORETUM & BOTANICAL GARDENS (3800 ARBORETUM DR)

Head to the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens every Sunday all summer long for the Music in the Gardens series. The 28th season boasts seven great performances presented by the Dubuque Arts Council bookended by another six by the Dubuque Arboretum, providing 13 weeks of stellar live music in a variety of styles but accessible and enjoyable by all.

- 6/6: The Sax Section (jazz)
- 6/13: Mama Tess & The Chain of Fools (rock, blues, jazz)
- 6/20: Hunter Fuerste and the American Vintage Orchestra
- 6/27: Dubuque Symphony Orchestra
- 7/4: Rita Harvey Trio—Heart Like A Wheel (Linda Ronstadt tribute)
- 7/11: Luke Viertel—Carol King Tribute
- 7/18: June's Got the Cash (Johnny and June Cash tribute)

- 7/25: The Moonlighters (rock, Motown, pop, country)
- 8/1: Kids From Wisconsin (song-and-dance band)
- 8/8: The Fortunate Sons (Credence Clearwater Revival tribute)
- 8/15: Ted Vigil Trio (John Denver tribute)
- 8/22: Denny Diamond (Neil Diamond tribute)
- 8/29: Celebration of the Beatles (Beatles tribute)

All shows are free to the public and open lawn seating. Bring a chair or blanket and a picnic and enjoy a relaxing evening at the arboretum.

For more information, call the Dubuque Arboretum at **563-556-2100** or visit DubuqueArboretum.net. ■



Dubuque Farmers' Market

SATURDAYS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 25 @ 7 AM-NOON

OCTOBER 2-30 @ 8 AM-NOON

NEAR 12TH AND IOWA ST

Now in its 176th year, the Dubuque Farmers' Market runs Saturdays from 7 a.m. to noon in the area around City Hall in historic downtown Dubuque.

Iowa's oldest farmers' market will see early produce such as asparagus, lettuce, watercress, rhubarb, and peas. There will also be bedding and house plants, freshly baked goods, wine plus samples, and a great selection of local arts and

crafts—all items that make perfect gifts for graduations, weddings, or a special treat for you. The market has grown in recent years to attract vendors offering a larger variety of produce, meats, cheeses, baked goods, handmade goods, and on-site prepared foods.

For more information, call Dubuque Main Street at **563-588-4400** or visit DubuqueFarmersMarket.org. ■

SUN 5/30



Hoof It + Sip It
NOON-2 PM @ HOOF IT
GOAT TREKS (GALENA, IL)
May 30 and 31. Stroll through the forest with a glass of wine and a goat by your side! Enjoy a sampling of six 1-oz tastings from a local vineyard and winery, Fergedaboutit. Wines will be paired with goat cheese and others. Ages 21+. \$75. 616 S Devil's Ladder Rd, Galena IL. **563-663-6944**. hoofit-galena.com.

MON 5/31

East Dubuque Memorial Day Parade
9:30 AM @ SINSINAWA AVE, EAST DUBUQUE, IL
Following the parade, military services will be conducted at the East Dubuque Cemetery. American Legion Post 787 will be selling poppies on May 28 and 29 in support of all veterans at Van's and Family Beer and Liquor Stores. Free. **563-599-1090**. **815-747-3306**.

TUE 6/1

Living Proof Exhibit Submission Deadline
Living Proof Exhibit, which provides the therapeutic benefits of the arts to people impacted by cancer, is seeking entries for its annual exhibition to be held Aug. 16-Sept. 30 in the Charles and Elizabeth Bisignano Art Gallery at the University of Dubuque. All cancer patients and survivors living within a 200-mile radius of the Quad Cities are eligible to submit up to five works for consideration. LivingProofExhibit.org.

FRI 6/4

Relay for Life of Dubuque Benefit
4-7:30 PM @
HAPPY'S PLACE
Drive-through cod dinner and luminaria display for those currently fighting cancer, surviving cancer, and those who have lost their battle. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer society and Relay for Life of Dubuque. facebook.com/RelayForLifeDBQ.

Dick Rogers: Space Detective, Volume 2
7:30 PM @ ONLINE
Trainwreck Productions and the North East Radio Drama Society (N.E.R.D.S.) will be re-dramatizing three more recovered scripts from this almost entirely forgotten radio show from the past. \$9.99. facebook.com/TrainwreckProductionsDBQ.

SAT 6/5

Grandview Gallop
8 AM @ GRANDVIEW AVE
The 15th Annual Grandview is a 4-mile race and includes a 1-mile youth event along Grandview Ave. in Dubuque. The youth race beings at 7:30 a.m. followed by the 4-mile event at 8 a.m. The out-and-back race is as flat as you can get for Dubuque. Shoe giveaways and vendor merchandise will be available. Full refreshments and age group awards. RSVP, no race day registration. \$18-\$28. GrandviewGallop.com.



Strut Your Mutt
9 AM @ DUBUQUE REGIONAL HUMANE SOCIETY
Register at 8 a.m., walk at 9 a.m. around the perimeter of the DRHS four-acre campus. The dog-friendly walk brings community members and pet owners together to

raise awareness and funds for the homeless animals at the Dubuque Regional Humane Society. \$30 Early bird; \$35 after May 21. 4242 Chavenelle Rd. **563-582-6766**. DBQhumane.org.

Rain Barrel Workshop
10:30 AM-12:30 PM @
SWISS VALLEY NATURE CENTER (PEOSTA, IA)
Installing a rain barrel to collect rainwater for use on your lawn and gardens is a simple but impactful way to make a difference for your local streams and the Mississippi River. You will be guided through the process of converting your 55-gallon container into an ally for a cleaner Mississippi River. \$30. 13606 Swiss Valley Rd, Peosta, IA. **563-556-6745**. eventbrite.com/e/151982167755.

FRI 6/11

Cooking Class: Make and Take Cookies
6-7:15 PM @ GALENA ARC (GALENA, IL)
See page 34 for details.

SAT 6/12

Family Fun Art Days
1-5 PM @ GALENA ARC
See page 34 for details.v

SUN 6/13

Park-n-Shine
10:30 AM @ GRANDVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
An outdoor worship will be held with the Park-n-Shine following. Bring your classic, vintage, custom car, truck, tractor, or motorcycle for a fun, non-competitive event or come to enjoy the show. Food will be available for purchase as well as ice cream from the Dubuque Dairy Association. 3342 John Wesley Dr. **563-582-8875**. GrandviewDubuque.org.



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MCGRATH DUBUQUE HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTOR HARLEY-DAVIDSON CYCLES

May 20th COE'S Bernard, Iowa	June 17th YODER'S ROCKVILLE BAR, LLC Rockville, Wisconsin
July 15th DIRTY ERNIE'S Farley, Iowa	August 19th BENT RIM Cascade, Iowa

Line up at 5 PM. Kick-stands up at 6PM
in the McGrath Dubuque Harley-Davidson parking lot.

ONGOING



Galena Territory Farmers Market
SUN THROUGH OCT 10
@ 8 AM-NOON
GALENA TERRITORY OWNERS' CLUB
(GALENA, IL)
Fresh produce, baked goods, regional meat, flowers, crafts, and more. 2000 Territory Dr, Galena, IL. **815-777-2000**. TheGalenaTerritory.com.

Digital Drinks & Dialogue
1ST SUN @ 4:30 PM
ONLINE
Trainwreck Productions' play reading club invites you to read a character and experience and discuss the scripts together. Plays vary by genre and style monthly. Free. TrainWreckProductions.org.



Music in the Gardens
SUN THROUGH AUG
@ 6:30 PM
DUBUQUE ARBORETUM & BOTANICAL GARDENS
The 28th season boasts 13 weeks of stellar live music in a variety of styles but accessible and enjoyable by all. Bring a chair or blanket and a picnic and enjoy a relaxing evening at the arboretum. Free. 3800 Arboretum Dr. **563-556-2100**. DubuqueArboretum.net.

Milk Parties
2ND AND 4TH MON
@ 9:30-10:30 AM
STATERA UPPER LEVEL
This support group is for moms and breastfeeding babies of all ages, as well as pumping moms and pregnant women. Free. 3375 Lake Ridge Dr. **563-207-8932**. stateraintegrated.com.



Hot Summer Nights Cruise-In
1ST TUE THROUGH SEPT
@ 6-9 PM
DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
All years of vehicles are welcome, and there is no charge to put your vehicle on display. DJ will provide music, and food and drink will be available for purchase. 14569 Old Highway Rd. **563-588-1813**. DBQfair.com.

Faith Writers Group
3RD TUE @ 6:30-8 PM
ONLINE
Shalom Spirituality Center's monthly writer's group allows time to share up to two pages of writing with an opportunity for feedback and critique from other members. Facilitated by Mary Potter Kenyon. Free. **563-582-3592**. shalomretreats.org.



Backpocket Trivia
TUE @ 7:30 PM
BACKPOCKET DUBUQUE
Fun N Games hosts weekly trivia. Prizes awarded. Free. 333 E 10th St.



Dubuque Urban Sketchers
WED @ 4-6 PM
VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE
Sketch historical buildings, iconic landmarks, and the urban landscape. All you need is a camp chair, sketchpad, and your favorite pens, pencils, and paints. Follow "Dubuque Urban Sketchers" on Facebook to see where to meet each week.

Mid-Week Market
WED THROUGH OCT
@ 4-8 PM
11TH AND IOWA ST
Local food vendors and live music hosted by Michael Breitbart and The Food Store.

Old 20 Market
WED THROUGH
AUG @ 4-8 PM
DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
Shop local vendors such as growers, producers, processors, crafters, makers, artisans, area businesses, food trucks and more! All ages. Free. 14569 Old Highway Rd. **563-588-1813**. facebook.com/JodiandKT.

MFC Teen Nights
WED @ 5:30-7:30 PM
MULTICULTURAL FAMILY CENTER
Teens can enjoy dinner and activities while hanging out and interacting in a safe, fun environment that promotes unity among diversity and empowers youth to reach their potential. Free. 1101 Central Ave. **563-582-3681**. MFCdbq.org.

Toastmasters Speakeasy Club
2ND, 4TH, AND 5TH WED
@ 5:30 PM
CARNEGIE-STOUT LIBRARY
Overcome your fear of speaking in front of a group and develop the skills to give an organized, dynamic, and interesting presentation while also building your confidence. Ages 18+. Free. 360 W 11th St. facebook.com/ToastmastersSpeakeasyClub.



SheUnites
3RD WED @ 6-7:30 PM
SMOKESTACK
SheUnites is a new inclusive women's group in Dubuque, working to connect women across the region through education, philanthropy, mutual support, and more. Free. 62 E 7th St. SheUnitesIowa.com.



Women's Art Party
3RD WED @ 6:30 PM
LIND PAVILION (MINERAL POINT, WI)
New projects every month. Women are invited to craft with others, learn about new materials, and share techniques. \$5. 411 Commerce St, Mineral Point, WI. **608-987-3292**. ShakeRagAlley.org/womens-art-party.

Hy-Vee Trivia
WED @ 7 PM
HY-VEE LOCUST
Fun N Games hosts weekly trivia. Prizes awarded. Free. 400 S Locust St.



East Dubuque's Cruisin' Thursdays
THU THROUGH SEPT 30
@ 4-9 PM
SINSINAWA AVE, EAST DBQ, IL
Classic cars fill the main drag in East Dubuque, featuring food, drinks, and live entertainment.



Millwork Night Market
2ND THU THROUGH OCT
@ 5-8 PM
7TH-9TH AND JACKSON ST
Featuring high quality local food producers, artists, musicians, and brewers. MillworknightMarket.com.

Gary's Graffiti Nights
THU THROUGH SEPT 16
@ 5-9:30 PM
PLAZA 20 SONIC DRIVE-IN
Classic cars converge with food, drinks, and additional entertainment.

Trucker's Thursday Tiny Town Tavern Tours
3RD THU THROUGH AUG
@ 5 PM
MCGRATH DUBUQUE HARLEY-DAVIDSON
Tour tiny towns for food and drinks. May 20: Coe's (Bernard, IA); June 17: Yoder's Rockville Bar (Potosi, WI); July 15: Dirty Ernie's (Farley, IA); and Aug 19: Bent Rim (Cascade, IA).

Taste of Summer Series
1ST THU THROUGH AUG
@ 6-9 PM
NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM
Attendees of all ages are welcome to this modified version of Taste of Dubuque. Awards will be announced each evening for the top savory dish, the top sweet dish, and a fan favorite dish or dessert. Four to five different food vendors will appear at each of the events as well as two live bands. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Free to attend. 350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545**. RiverMuseum.com/taste.

Hy-Vee Trivia
THU @ 6:30 PM
HY-VEE DODGE
Fun N Games hosts weekly trivia. Prizes awarded. Free. 3500 Dodge St.

Trivial Pursuit
1ST THU @ 8 PM
HOPS & RYE
Trivia with Brett Althaus. Prizes awarded. Free. 1108 Locust St. **563-580-7354**. HopsAndRyeBar.com.

Social Connections for Singles Meet & Greet
FRI @ 5-7 PM
SHOT TOWER INN
Come for friends and food. 390 Locust St. **563-845-0070**.

Dubuque Farmers' Market
SAT THROUGH SEPT
@ 7 AM-NOON
OCT @ 8 AM-NOON
NEAR 12TH AND IOWA ST
Iowa's oldest farmers' market offers a wide variety of produce, meats, cheeses, baked goods, handmade goods, arts and crafts, on-site prepared foods, and more. **563-588-4400**. DubuqueFarmersMarket.org.

DuMA Second Saturdays
2ND SAT @ 1-2 PM
ONLINE
Virtual family-oriented programming. Free. **563-557-1851**. dbqart.org.

Driftless Poets Monthly Workshop
2ND SAT @ 2-4 PM
ONLINE
Local and aspiring poets are invited to provide support and encouragement for poets seeking honest feedback on their work. Submit work one week in advance to receive feedback and critique. RSVP. **608-987-3292**. DriftlessPoets.com.

JA Inspire Virtual Career Fair
THROUGH JUNE 3
ONLINE
The Junior Achievement Inspire Virtual Career Fair helps students in 7-12 grades learn about careers that best align with their skills and interests and identify their potential career path. Students log on to a virtual platform and explore dozens of careers available throughout our region and attend webinars related to career planning. **309-277-3907**. jaheartland.org/events/ja-inspire-vfair.

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P MOVIE NEWS

Coming Soon

ARMY OF THE DEAD (R)

FRIDAY, MAY 14

A zombie outbreak has left Las Vegas in ruins and walled off from the rest of the world.

Dave Bautista plays a former zombie war hero who's now flipping burgers and is approached by a casino boss with the ultimate proposition: break into the zombie-infested quarantined zone to retrieve \$200 million sitting in a vault beneath the strip before the city is nuked by the government in 32 hours. From filmmaker Zack Snyder.



SPIRAL (R)

FRIDAY, MAY 14

A criminal mastermind unleashes a twisted form of justice in *Spiral*, the terrifying new chapter from the book of *Saw*. Stars Samuel L. Jackson, Chris Rock, and Max Minghella take charge of a grisly investigation into murders that are eerily reminiscent of the city's gruesome past. Unwittingly entrapped in a deepening mystery, Jackson finds himself at the center of the killer's morbid game.



CRUELLA (PG-13)

FRIDAY, MAY 28

Emma Stone stars in Disney's all-new live-action feature film about the rebellious early days of one of cinema's most notorious—and notoriously fashionable—villains, the legendary Cruella de Vil. A young grifter named Estella is a clever and creative girl determined to make a name for herself with her designs. Catching the eye of the Baroness von Hellman (Emma Thompson), a fashion legend, their relationship sets in motion a course of events and revelations that will cause Estella to embrace her wicked side.



A QUIET PLACE 2 (PG-13)

FRIDAY, MAY 28

Following the deadly events at home, the Abbott family must now face the terrors of the outside world as they continue their fight for survival in silence. Forced to venture into the unknown, they quickly realize that the creatures that hunt by sound are not the only threats that lurk beyond the sand path.



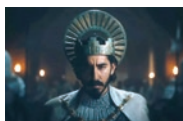
Movie Buzz

Knives Out 2 adds Edward Norton and Dave Bautista to its cast. After Netflix struck a \$450 million



deal for two sequels, the first of these follow-ups is quickly coming to fruition. Writer-director Rian Johnson returns to helm the project with Daniel Craig as Benoit Blanc. The first installment was a critical and commercial success, earning an Oscar nomination for Best Original Screenplay.

The Green Knight starring Dev Patel and directed by David Lowery will tell the story of Sir Gawain



(Patel), King Arthur's nephew, who is sent on a quest to confront the titular green-skinned giant. Joel Edgerton, Alicia Vikander, Sarita Choudhury, Sean Harris, Kate Dickie, Barry Keoghan, and Erin Kellyman round out the cast. The movie itself is based on a 14th-century poem titled "Sir Gawain and the Green Knight," but Lowery set out to update the tale for modern audiences.

Black Widow star David Harbour has hinted the film could introduce the Winter Guard, Russia's version



of the Avengers. Official character profiles for Harbour's Red Guardian have confirmed his character is a super-soldier created during the Cold War to be Russia's answer to Captain America. This suggests that, in the MCU, the Cold War was a superhero arms race in which the Soviet Union and the U.S.A. competed to develop superhuman champions. This has naturally led to speculation that *Black Widow* could further flesh out the history of the MCU's Cold War and even introduce other superhumans who served as part of it.

Regina King will direct and produce the feature adaptation of *Bitter Root*, the acclaimed Image



Comics series created by David F. Walker & Sanford Greene and indie veteran Chuck Brown. During the Harlem Renaissance of 1924, the Sangeryes hunted and cured those infected by a supernatural force that feeds off the prejudice of the era, transforming human beings into hideous monsters. With most of the family dead, they must overcome the wounds of the past in the hopes of thwarting an invasion.

Children's Spring

Birthday Party!

Sunday, May 23
11-2:00 p.m.

Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens

3800 Arboretum Drive

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MAY 13 AND 15 @ 7 PM

ONLINE

Join the Bell Tower Theater for a virtual play on May 13 and 15 at 7 p.m. Watch *A Brief Interview with Internet Cats* on the Bell Tower Theater's Facebook page.

Celebrity interviewer Ian McWorthy has a dream lineup for tonight's episode of the World Wide Window: a veritable litterful of felines whose internet antics have catapulted them to fame. In this fast-paced series of hilarious interviews, Ian uncovers the story behind Tuffy's first dramatic foray into a cardboard box; learns just what makes Nelson the Grouchy Cat so very, very grouchy;



contends with the diva-like antics of Kitty Boo Boo and her entourage; and more. Things are bound to get a little...hairy.

Due to copyright restrictions, *A Brief Interview with Internet Cats* will not remain online after the performance. You need to log into Facebook at the scheduled time. All performances are free, but goodwill donations will be accepted. For more information, call **563-588-3377**. Watch the play at facebook.com/bell.tower.9. ■

LAW & JUSTICE BOOK CLUB SERIES

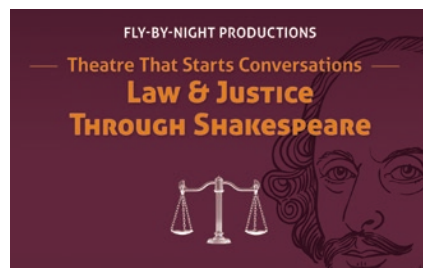
The Lawyer and The Judge

TUESDAY, MAY 18 @ 7 PM

ONLINE

Fly-By-Night Productions (FBNP) presents a unique series of discussions about law and justice using Shakespeare's plays to explore important issues currently facing our nation. Discussions are based on the book *A Thousand Times More Fair: What Shakespeare's Plays Teach Us About Justice* by Kenji Yoshino.

The Lawyer and The Judge focuses on *The Merchant of Venice* and *Measure for Measure* and will be moderated by Sunil Malapati, FBNP board



member and Professor of Chemistry at Clarke University. The series closes on June 15 with *The Investigator* and *The Intellectual*, *Othello* and *Hamlet*.

The series is free to attend, and you can register to receive a link to the Zoom meeting at FlyByNightDubuque.com. For more information, call **563-599-9486** or email info@FlyByNightDubuque.com. ■

DUBUQUE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
JUN 5-6 LIMITED SEATING, DON'T WAIT!

You won't want to miss the DSO Classics Season Finale!

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Art on the River Submission Deadline

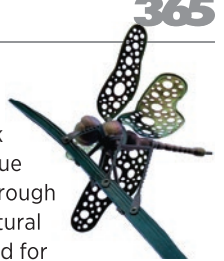
CALL FOR PROPOSALS

MONDAY, MAY 24 @ 11:59 PM

The City's Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs is soliciting sculpture proposals for consideration with the 2021-22 Art on the River public art sculpture exhibit, to

be held along the Mississippi Riverwalk in the Port of Dubuque from August 2021 through July 2022. Ten sculptural works will be selected for the "Resiliency Flows"-themed exhibition.

For more information, call City of Dubuque Arts & Cultural Affairs Coordinator Jenni Petersen-Brant at **563-690-6059** or visit cityofdubuque.org/artontheriver. ■



First Fridays

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

NOON-8 PM @ STONED ART STUDIO

& GALLERY (1800 CENTRAL AVE)

6-8 PM @ PLANTED. (245 W 1ST ST)

First Fridays is Downtown Dubuque's monthly visual art series. All stops are free.

Stoned Art Studio & Gallery features Henry Matthiessen III's art and extensive Driftless Region Photography portfolio. Stop in talk about, art, photography, and road tripping. Refreshments will be available.

Planted. hosts plant-themed art by Mia Nottrott, a painter and creator



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in Southwest Wisconsin. The exhibit will be on display through June 25.

For more information, visit Facebook.com/DubuqueFirstFridays. ■

Murder Mystery Dinner: COOTIES

SUNDAY, JUNE 13 @ 5 PM

STONE CLIFF WINERY (600

STAR BREWERY DR)

While we've always known the Brew Ha Ha Players at Stone Cliff Winery are a little off-kilter (or is that off-KILLter?), this time around, there's no question, as their latest murderous romp mirrors current circumstances in a way that's not only hilarious but dead on. Enjoy an evening with a murder mystery and dinner on Sunday, June 13 at 5 p.m.

Epi-Con, the ultimate annual convention for epidemics, is a fan favorite for people

excited for a sneak peek at the latest and greatest deadly diseases. Epi-Con is also home for those who might benefit financially or professionally from a world-wide pandemic. But did researchers go too far with their creation of this year's Virus of the Year? One thing's for sure, no one is going anywhere after the keynote speaker is suddenly murdered, and it's up to you to help solve what or who truly is the killer.

And, yes, the Brew Ha Ha Players will still be following COVID protocols, as it's better to be six feet apart than six feet under.

Dinner and show are \$59.95.

Reserve your seat by calling Stone Cliff Winery at **563-583-6100 x203** or visit StoneCliffWinery.com. ■

DubuqueFest Fine Arts Festival

CALL TO ARTISTS DEADLINE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

Dubuque County Fine Arts Society will host DubuqueFest Fine Arts Festival Aug. 7-8 in Washington Park. The free, two-day Art Fair and festival welcomes

Tri-State community members to experience art through a juried fine art fair, live music, and other programs.

Iowa's longest running Arts Festival is seeking visual artists from Dubuque and the surrounding area to fill the park with socially distanced booths and original artwork. \$1000 in Artists Awards are given to First, Second, and Third place.

For full details, scholarship information, and to submit your application, visit DBQFest.com/artists. ■

MidwestBusTrips.com Introduces New Local Tours

Beginning June 1

By Bryce Parks

365ink was able to join the maiden voyage of one of **MidwestBusTrips.com's** three new local bus tours, bringing another level of access to learning about and enjoying our community for visitors as well as residents.

When COVID-19 shut down everything related to entertainment, culture, and travel last spring, a huge scheduled summer of trips to Midwest sporting events, concerts, and more through **MidwestBusTrips.com** was washed away. By the end of the year, they were able to host only three of close to 200 planned trips. Like so many businesses, after surviving the canceling of daily life for a few months, they had to reassess their offerings looking ahead.

One of the biggest suggestions they got, based on needs expressed by area hotels, event planners, and travel organizations, was to fill the void in locally-based historical tours. Steeped in history, architecture, and stories, Dubuque does not currently have a regularly running historical tour service for groups to learn about our community's colorful past. Where there's a need, there's a way, so **MidwestBusTrips.com** owner Aaron Rainey and his partners began researching the options and opportunities that they could provide to fill this need and enhance the tourism potential of the Tri-State area. Running seasonally, the plan at the outset is to offer three unique local tour options.

The first is a tour of historical downtown Dubuque and its many historical buildings, historical figures, and natural landmarks that make it such a draw on the Mississippi. The two-and-a-half-hour tour of Iowa's oldest city encompasses over 20 historic landmarks, including stops at Julien Dubuque's gravesite and Eagle Point Park.

The second tour is, not surprisingly, to the Field of Dreams Movie Site in Dyersville, IA, with all of the movie magic and hands-on bucket list moments that the venue promises. The three-hour roundtrip tour visits the actual location used in the making of the movie with your opportunity to hit a ball, play catch, run the bases, and have a photo opportunity and discussion with a Ghost Player. Balls, bats, and gloves are provided by the tour. You can sit in the stands to watch the fun or visit their gift shop, loaded with baseball and movie memorabilia.

The VIP Experience—Go The Distance Package features a guided half-hour tour of the inside of the Kinsella house used in the *Field of Dreams* movie. You'll see props used by Kevin Costner and get to experience the views of the field from the bay window of the house. Guests who purchase this package will also receive a commemorative pin, swag bag, and magnet from the Field of Dreams.

Whether you're a fan of the 1989 movie *Field of Dreams* or simply a baseball lover, this is an opportunity to see one of Iowa's most iconic movie sites.

The third trip features the natural beauty of Dubuque centered around the Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens and Eagle Point Park. The first stop on the three-hour tour is Eagle Point Park, a 164-acre public park, situated on a bluff that overlooks the Mississippi River and Lock & Dam



#11. The park features stunning views of Iowa, Illinois, and Wisconsin. Watch boat traffic move through the lock, see the fish pond, and keep your eye out for bald eagles, too.

Next, the tour visits the Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens, which has been a part of the Dubuque community since 1980. Quietly nestled on the city's northwest side and featuring more than 60 types of gardens (including rose, hosta, English, Japanese, herb, and more), the grounds continue to grow and expand every year. Completely volunteer-created and maintained, these floral displays will wow any nature lover. Be sure to walk by the koi pond for some pictures. Maps of each location will be provided.

Regularly scheduled trips begin June 1, and trips depart from the Grand Harbor Resort, 350 Bell St. in Dubuque. Most tours are \$40 per person. The Field of Dreams is \$45 with a \$65 option to include the house on the tour. Dubuque History Tours are planned to run Saturdays and Sundays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. as well as Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The Field of Dreams Tour runs Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. as well as Wednesday and Friday at 7:45 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. The Arboretum and Eagle Point Park Tours run Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

As part of the test run on the Dubuque History Tour, we may have been the first riders on the bus, but the tour organizers have already made this trip dozens of times, perfecting the route, honing their script, and adding juicy tidbits wherever they can to improve on and streamline the visitor experience. Still, they wanted us, a crew of guests, who included a bunch of local history know-it-alls, to give feedback and suggestions to make it even better before they open for business to regular customers.

As we traversed the streets of downtown, we learned details about many of the buildings that make up Dubuque's historical landscape as well as the people who made them possible. Included in the tour were also a couple of audio and video segments featuring additional details on topics like Al Capone's storied visits to our city to lay low, voiced by Paul Hemmer, and the making of the Field of Dreams on Central Ave. in downtown Dubuque. At both Julien Dubuque's grave and Eagle Point Park, we were able to get out, stretch our legs, and take in the settings up close as they were meant to be seen and, of course, take all the photos with some breathtaking views.

Even as someone who already knows most of the nooks and crannies of our city's history, I still learned a few things, and I'm also happy to share my notes with Aaron and his crew to perhaps add some more juicy tidbits to the story they are already telling. It is an ever-evolving canvas as more stories are sure to come their way over time.

It's clear that this tour opportunity is a great shot in the arm for the tourism industry in Dubuque. It shines a light on the best of our town to give visitors a good base for getting to know Dubuque. I would suggest that it's also a stellar crash course for new residents to Dubuque to get to know their new hometown and take pride in who we are, where we come from, and what we have to offer.

For more information on the **MidwestBusTrips.com** local tours, as well as their regional tours to concerts, Cubs games, and more as they return to normal operation, simply visit their namesake, **MidwestBusTrips.com**. There you will find booking information, tour schedules, prizes, and additional information. You can also call or text **563-513-7314**. ■



Rising Star THEATRE COMPANY

2021 Summer Programming

THIS SUMMER, Rising Star Theatre Company (RSTC) will be providing opportunities for both students and adults to get back on stage and experience live theatre. While RSTC is not able to offer their typical three-show format for the summer of 2021, they will offer four mini-musical experiences and the Rising Star Revue!

The mini-musical experiences in July and early August are for students entering 3rd through 9th grade in the fall of 2021. Each of the four sessions will be a two-week-long adventure that concludes with a live performance on the historic Five Flags Theater stage for invited family and friends! Students can choose to attend one or more of the sessions, and they will have the opportunity to sing, dance, and act out some of their favorite numbers from musicals. Themes include Disney Dreams; Bright Lights, Big City; Once Upon a Time; and Another Opening Another Show. The sessions will be lead by Megan Schumacher and a team of staff members.

The Rising Star Revue will see current high school students through adults come together and experience the joy of collaborating on musical numbers chosen by the RSTC staff. Auditions will be held June 27 and 28, and rehearsals begin in July. The Rising Star Revue culminates with two performances in the Five Flags Theater on Aug. 5 and 6.

Find more information on registration, auditions, and the performances at RisingStarTheatreCompany.com or email info@RisingStarTheatreCompany.com. ■

Mini-Musicals

Performances for the one-of-a-kind shows are invite-only for friends and family. There is a participation fee of \$100, which also includes a T-shirt. Cast size is limited to 20 students.



Disney Dreams

REHEARSALS: MONDAY-FRIDAY: JULY 12-23 @ 9 AM-NOON

FIVE FLAGS BIJOU ROOM

PERFORMANCE: SATURDAY, JULY 24 @ 2 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

AGE: ENTERING GRADES 3-6

Disney Dreams come true in this mini-musical as RSTC brings you the very best of Disney's heroes and villains. This original production will feature music and scenes from *The Lion King*, *Mary Poppins*, *Toy Story*, and *High School Musical*, among many other Disney favorites.



Bright Lights, Big City

REHEARSALS: MONDAY-FRIDAY: JULY 12-23 @ 1-4 PM

FIVE FLAGS BIJOU ROOM

PERFORMANCE: SATURDAY, JULY 24 @ 7 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

AGE: ENTERING GRADES 7-9

Hit the town with your favorite characters from musicals across the ages! This original production will feature music and scenes from *Guys & Dolls*, *Newsies*, and *Hairspray*, among many other musicals with that big city feel!



Once Upon a Time

REHEARSALS: MONDAY-FRIDAY: JULY 26-AUGUST 6 @ 9 AM-NOON

FIVE FLAGS BIJOU ROOM

PERFORMANCE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 7 @ 2 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

AGE: ENTERING GRADES 3-6

Once Upon a Time takes students on a magical musical journey through the world of beloved fairy tales. This original production will feature music and scenes from *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Little Mermaid*, and *Shrek*, among many other storybook-based musicals!



Another Opening Another Show

REHEARSALS: MONDAY-FRIDAY: JULY 26-AUGUST 6 @ 1-4 PM

FIVE FLAGS BIJOU ROOM

PERFORMANCE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 7 @ 7 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

AGE: ENTERING GRADES 7-9

It's time to take the stage as we gear up for another opening of another show and this one will feature show-stopping numbers and characters who love to perform! This original production will feature music and scenes from *Curtains*, *42nd Street*, and *Annie Get Your Gun*, among many other Broadway hits!



Rising Star Revue

AUDITIONS: JUNE 27 AND 28

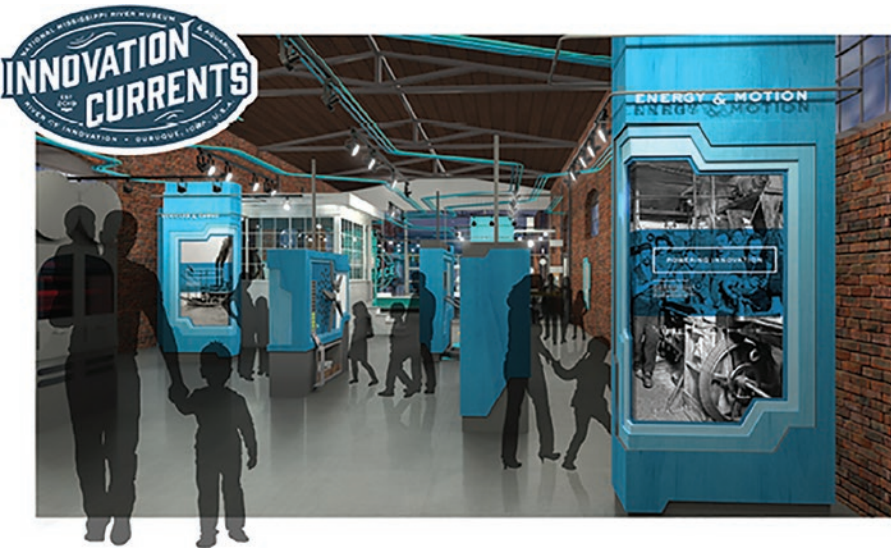
PERFORMANCES: AUGUST 5 AND 6 @ 7:30 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

TICKETS: \$12

AGE: ENTERING GRADE 10-ADULT

The Rising Star Revue will feature hit songs from some of your favorite Broadway musicals. So, sit back and enjoy some of the most beloved musical theatre moments! Rehearsals will take place Monday-Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Bijou Room located in Five Flags. Performers may not be called every night for rehearsal.



River of Innovation

Grand opening of Innovation Currents and Makerspace on June 11-13

Since the opening of the *Iowa Marine Engine & Launch Works* within the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium last fall, the organization has been tirelessly working to complete the final two-thirds of what will be the *John and Alice Butler River of Innovation Gallery*. Named after lead donors John and Alice Butler, *River of Innovation's* public grand opening will take place the weekend of June 11-13.

Building on the River Museum's abundant historical, conservation, and science connections, the second third of *River of Innovation* will feature high-engagement interactive exhibits that reinforce river innovation themes as well as artifacts from the museum's collections. Categories for the interactives include energy and motion, vehicles and cargo, tools and machines, and the changing river.

The final third of *River of Innovation* will house a makerspace featuring multi-disciplinary projects that tie the key River Museum concepts of history, science, and conservation together. As part of the exhibit opening preparations, the River Museum was able to hire an Innovation and MakerSpace Coordinator to develop curriculum and engaging projects for the space. Mari Oates joined the River Museum in February 2021 and came most recently from the Shedd Aquarium where she served as a Learning Specialist with the Teen Learning Lab. "I was excited to take on the challenge to combine science, conservation, and history through

this makerspace," said Oates of her new role. "I look forward to empowering our guests to be makers, leaders, and advocates for their communities."

"This has been a passion project of ours for the last eight years," added Erin Dragotto, VP of Development and co-project lead for the exhibit. "It is exciting to see the final pieces fall into place as we prepare to open the space."

Prior to the grand opening, the River Museum will host a small, private ribbon cutting for the space with key supporters to the project, including the Butler family. "We believe this project is a wonderful bridge between the innovations of yesterday and the science, technology, engineering and math concepts needed for the future success of today's youth," John and Alice Butler said of the exhibit. "We are excited that our family can help to fund a project that will both educate and entertain guests and students for years to come while supporting the cultural vibrancy of this community."

River of Innovation will open at 9 a.m. on Friday, June 11, and is included with general admission to the River Museum. For the first few weeks, visitors to the makerspace should expect to participate in short, 10-to-15-minute projects. Larger, more time intensive projects will be introduced over the following weeks and months. All take-home makerspace projects will be offered at an additional charge. For more on the exhibit, visit rivermuseum.com/roi. ■



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Events at Five Flags

The Five Flags Center is located at 405 Main St. in Downtown Dubuque. Face coverings and physical distancing are required in accordance with Five Flags Center's VenueShield protocols and local regulations. Fees may apply to ticket purchases. Tickets are available at [Ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com) or at the Five Flags Center Box Office. For more information, call 563-589-4254 or visit [FiveFlagsCenter.com](https://www.FiveFlagsCenter.com).



Clay Walker and Tracy Lawrence

THURSDAY, MAY 20 @ 7 PM

FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Two country music icons bring one big night of No. 1 hits and platinum records to the Five Flags Arena. Clay Walker and Tracy Lawrence perform together with a full band on Thursday, May 20 at 7 p.m. This will be the first time either singer has appeared at Five Flags Center.

Clay Walker is a recording artist, songwriter, and entertainer with 31 charted singles, a dozen No. 1s, four platinum albums, and decades of performances to his credit. Titles spanning 15 years and still receiving strong airplay include "Live Until I Die," "Dreaming With My Eyes Open," "This Woman And This Man," "Hypnotize The Moon," "Rumor Has It," "Then What," "The Chain Of Love," "I Can't Sleep," and "She Won't Be Lonely Long."

Walker's still robust touring schedule—80 shows in 2019—continues to fuel interest in his releases, most recently the 76-song compilation, *The Complete Albums 1993-2002*. Among them is the chart-topper "If I Could Make A Living," which recently celebrated the 25th anniversary of reaching its airplay peak, despite its singer showing no slippage in his celebrated matinee idol looks and megawatt smile. Meanwhile, Walker's native Texas continues to be a centerpiece, whether it's performing the National Anthem at the 2019 World Series in Houston or giving back at February 2020's Basin Strong concert benefiting victims and families of the recent shootings in Odessa.

Like Walker, Tracy Lawrence has worn many hats in his three-plus decades in country music, working as a songwriter and producer in addition to his singing and performing. Lawrence has been performing since the age of 15 and signed his first record deal at just 23 years old. His debut album, 1991's *Sticks and Stones*, reached the top 10 of the Country Albums chart while achieving



platinum certification and launching a quartet of top 10 singles: "Today's Lonely Fool," "Runnin' Behind," "Somebody Paints the Wall," and the title track, which became Lawrence's first No. 1 single. The strength of the record led Lawrence to be named the Top New Male Vocalist by both *Billboard* and the Academy of Country Music.

Lawrence's sophomore effort, 1993's *Alibis*, sold more than two million copies in the US alone and cracked the top 5 on the country albums chart, while reaching No. 25 on the *Billboard* Hot 200 albums ranking. The record spurred four more chart-topping singles, including the title track and "If the Good Die Young," which has become one of Lawrence's signature songs.

2003's *Paint Me a Birmingham* marked his return to the top 5 on the country singles chart and continues to enjoy strong radio airplay nearly two decades later. Then in 2007, Lawrence returned with "Find Out Who Your Friends Are," which featured Lawrence's longtime friends and collaborators, Tim McGraw and Kenny Chesney. In addition to its chart success, the song also earned Lawrence Vocal Event of the Year awards from both the Country Music Association and Academy of Country Music in 2007.

In all, 13 of Lawrence's albums have reached the top 20, including a pair of compilations of his hits. He's also been a mainstay on the country singles charts, with a total of eight No. 1s and 22 top 10 tracks.

Tickets are \$32-\$86. ■



Flashback Friday

BOY BAND REVIEW AND POP ROCKS

FRIDAY, MAY 21 @ 7:30 PM

FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Top-rated tribute acts Boy Band Review and Pop ROCKS will take you back to the late '90s and early '00s at Flashback Friday on Friday, May 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Five Flags Arena.

Boy Band Review will transport you back in time to the days of frosted tips and hunky frontmen professing their undying love. The performance is an incredible throwback experience reliving your best years with a full band, choreography, and harmonies.

Pop ROCKS is not just a band; they are a high-energy live music show that plays the best of today's hottest top 40 hits, throwback hip-hop, pop country, party rock, and timeless classics. The show has 40+ costume changes, special effects, and interactive performances that get the entire crowd involved!

Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$19 day of show. ■

DUBUQUE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Classics 4

SATURDAY, JUNE 5 @ 2 AND 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 6 @ 2 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra brings their final performance of the season, Classics 4, to the Five Flags Theater on June 5 and 6.



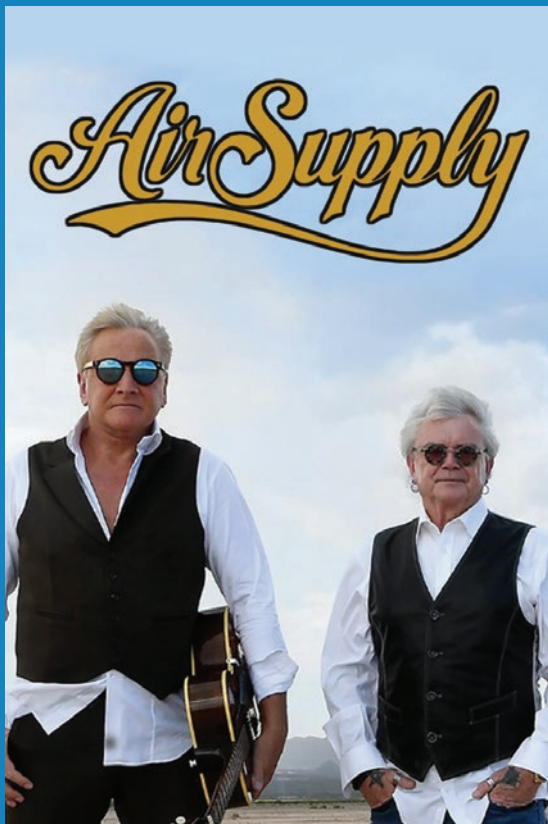
British composer Samuel Coleridge-Taylor was one of the more popular composers in England and the United States during the turn of the 20th century. His lively *Novelette* No. 4 opens this program with tremendous energy.

William Grant Still was the first African-American to have a symphony performed by a major U.S. orchestra. His *Serenade* is an evocative tone poem in which the harp adds great style to the strings and woodwinds.

Mozart's final symphony, a masterpiece of style and counterpoint, is the cornerstone of these concerts. Mozart biographer Georg von Nissen wrote about this symphony, "In no work of this kind does the divine spark of genius shine more brightly and beautifully."

DSO Principal Trumpet Wes Skidgel is featured in a beautiful trumpet concerto by Johann Hummel, a friend and pupil of Mozart's.

Tickets start at \$16. Visit [DubuqueSymphony.org](https://www.DubuqueSymphony.org) for further information and updates. ■



Air Supply

WITH SPECIAL OPENING GUEST ELIZABETH MARY
SATURDAY, MAY 22 @ 7:30 PM
FIVE FLAGS ARENA

For the first time in nearly 40 years, platinum-selling pop vocal duo Air Supply returns to Five Flags Center on Saturday, May 22 at 7:30 p.m. Local favorite Elizabeth Mary joins as a special opening guest.

Air Supply formed in 1975 when Graham Russell and Russell Hitchcock met during rehearsals for a stage production of *Jesus Christ Superstar* in Australia. After mild success in Australia in the late 1970s, the group broke out in the United States in 1980 with the release of their album *Lost in Love*, which sold more than three million copies. They followed that up with two more platinum albums—1981's *The One That You Love* and 1982's *Now and Forever*—plus their gold-certified self-titled effort in 1985.

One of the most successful groups of the early 1980s, Air Supply hit No. 1 in 1981 with “The One That You Love” and reached the *Billboard* Top 10 more than a half-dozen other times, with signature songs like “All Out of Love,” “Lost in Love,” “Even the Nights are Better,” and “Making Love Out of Nothing At All.” In addition, the group reached the Top 40 of the Adult Contemporary

chart 15 times, most recently in 2010 with both “Dance with Me” and “Faith in Love.”

They last graced the Five Flags Center stage in July of 1982, while supporting *The One That You Love*. That show followed another Five Flags performance by the group just 10 months earlier. The two shows drew a combined crowd of more than 6,600 people!

Elizabeth Mary wrote her first song, “I Have a Dream,” at age 10 and has been pursuing that dream ever since. At age 22, Elizabeth became lead singer for the local band Zero 2 Sixty. She earned a loyal fan base with her powerful vocals and energetic performances during their eight-year run. In April 2018, Elizabeth recorded and released her six-track debut EP Album, *Dance with the Fear*. She followed that up with a 14-track all-original album, *Meet Me in Madison*, released in November 2019. She had shared the stage with many national acts including Clint Black, Black Hawk, Collin Raye, and Lorrie Morgan.

The “Lost in Love” Experience VIP Package includes one premium reserved seat in the first 12 rows; an invitation to soundcheck; meet and greet and photo opportunities with Air Supply; and a VIP Swag Bag includes one Kodak archival metallic signed 8”x10” photo, one lapel pin, one merchandise gift, and one commemorative VIP laminate and lanyard.

Tickets are \$39–\$179. ■

Corey Taylor

TUESDAY, JUNE 15 @ 7:30 PM
FIVE FLAGS ARENA

The frontman for both GRAMMY® Award-winning multi-platinum juggernaut Slipknot and platinum rock force Stone Sour brings the voice that rallied millions of fans across the globe to Dubuque, this time as a solo artist. Corey Taylor’s CMF-Tour will take over the Five Flags Arena stage on Tuesday, June 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Uncompromising, unfiltered, and undeniable in any arena, Corey Taylor is a *New York Times* bestselling author as well as an actor with a myriad film and television credits.

Impacting generations of fans and peers alike, his voice roars across six Slipknot albums. With two gold-certified albums and a platinum single, Stone Sour have notched five Top 10 debuts on the *Billboard* 200 and garnered Loudwire’s Rock Album of the Decade for *House of Gold & Bones—Part 1*, which also spawned its own Dark Horse Comics graphic novel of the same name by Taylor.

His debut solo effort, *CMFT*, made history with the powerful single “Black Eyes Blue” reaching No. 1 at Active Rock Radio making Taylor the first artist in the history of the format to reach No. 1 with three separate



projects, following chart-topping efforts from Slipknot and Stone Sour.

Taylor first crashed the *New York Times* Best Seller List with *Seven Deadly Sins* in 2011, occupying the chart for four weeks. He followed it up with three popular tomes: *A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To Heaven*, *You’re Making Me Hate You*, and *America 51*. Meanwhile, his filmography encompasses *Fear Clinic*, *Doctor Who*, *Officer Downe*, and *Sharknado 4*.

The rare renaissance man who can give a symposium at Oxford University and headline heavy music festivals around the globe, Taylor forever challenges culture to think, dream, and scream along with him.

Tickets are \$57. ■

Journey Beyond Your Imagination

SATURDAY, JUNE 19 @ 7 PM
FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Journey Beyond your Imagination with mentalist Kenda Summers and legendary stage hypnotist Jim Wand on Saturday, June 19 at 7 p.m. at the historic Five Flags Theater.

Kenda Summers will astound and mystify you with her mind reading feats while Jim Wand mesmerizes and hypnotizes people right before your eyes with his brand new show. And don’t forget about the special guest, “Stelly the Hypno Dog.”

The whole family is invited to come out and have a mystical, fun-filled night, and who knows, maybe you will end up being the star of the show!

Tickets are \$20–\$30. ■

Lanco

FRIDAY, JUNE 25 @ 7 PM
FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Lanco with special guest Brittany Ray bring a special country show to the Five Flags Arena on Friday, June 25 at 7 p.m.

Lanco continues to pave its course after the success of their double platinum radio chart-topper “Greatest Love Story” and critically acclaimed gold hit “Born To Love You.” The five-man band’s No. 1 selling debut and coming-of-age album, *Hallelujah Nights*, made Lanco the first country group to debut at No. 1 on the *Billboard* Country Albums charts in 10 years. Now they have dropped two irresistibly nostalgic tracks “Old Camaro” and “What I See,” which serves as their new single at country radio.



Dubuque-native, Nashville-based singer-songwriter Brittany Ray incorporates catchy melodies and driving electric guitar riffs with storytelling lyrics into her songs. Her first recorded and released song was a duet written and sung with Richie McDonald from Lonestar titled “Love Is Worth It.” In 2016, she released her debut self-titled EP that was produced by country singer Jamie O’Neal.

Tickets are \$30–\$42. ■

E-BIKE ~~REVOLUTION~~

Biking Dubuque Part 1

By Bryce Parks



From the few positives that we can draw from the year that barely was, as COVID-19 shut down life, work, and culture for basically a calendar year, one good result for many was getting back outside to enjoy nature as outdoor activity exploded in the summer of 2020. With that came the increase in exercise and sports and leisure activities that align with that premise like golf, hiking, fishing, and especially bicycling.

Nationwide, bikes under about the \$600 level were selling out and getting hard to find. The bicycle sales boom in 2020 has continued into 2021. Sales figures from the NPD (Market Research) Group, which tracks data across thousands of American bike shops, suggest cycling's newfound popularity might endure even as we get back to a more normal life routine.

Of all the market sectors of bike sales, none grew quite like the sales of e-bikes, which grew two to four times faster than traditional bikes. Sales were hit by supply chain issues due to COVID-19 and have been selling at near capacity ever since. Some brands of bikes, like Aventon, reported sales increases of 1,000 percent in June of 2020.

The onset of e-bikes as a major player in the game has been on a simmer for 10 years as the technology caught up

to meet the challenges of the sport. But now that it seems it has sufficiently met that challenge, the arrival of the pandemic has dramatically pulled the adoption curve forward for e-bikes. Prepare for a revolution, or at least an evolution.

Bicycle World's David Hartig sees some amount of "irrational exuberance," as Alan Greenspan called it, in the current bike boom in general, and suspects it is going to taper off. "I think we're going to see a supply of lightly used bikes on the market (maybe call them COVID boredom-driven impulse buys). Also, the supply chain is going to refortify itself." David's industry contacts are projecting that 10 to 40 percent of those impulse buyers will stick with it. "One element that's going to give it legs is going to be the electric bike. Up to this point, if a conventional bike was too much effort, that was a barrier to the activity. The e-bike removes that barrier."

Being a newer technology that has yet to cross the path of most Americans, the first thing many people reading this story are thinking right now is, "back up Professor Nerdnick, what the hell is an e-bike?" Fair question. Let's start there.

E-bikes look and feel just like traditional bicycles, with a key difference—they include an electric motor and battery

for an extra boost. The motor can help you conquer hills, keep up with traffic, or pull a trailer. E-bikes with pedal assist turn on the motor when the rider pedals. E-bikes with throttles can turn on the motor to propel the bike even when the rider does not pedal. Most e-bikes these days have both options on the same bike, but because they retain the ability to be pedaled by the rider, they are therefore not electric motorcycles. The motors can hum when engaged but are generally quite silent. Outside of the bump for the battery pack, you likely would not even know an e-bike rolling by if you saw one.

Technically there are three classes of e-bikes. Class 1 e-bikes are limited to a top speed of 20 miles per hour, and the electric motor works only when the rider is pedaling and is sometimes called a pedelec. Some have a throttle on the handlebars that offers an extra power boost, but on Class 1 e-bikes, the throttle works only if you're also pedaling. Class 2 e-bikes are similar but can be throttled independently from pedaling. Class 3 e-bikes can go up to 28 miles per hour and must have a speedometer but may not have a throttle. You don't really need to worry about all of that. Find the features you want on your bike, and let that be your guide.



Most e-bikes we researched online have motors in the rear wheel hub, but some, especially higher-end e-bikes, are located at the crank (pedals). The most popular models feature 350-, 500-, or 750-watt (1 horsepower) motors that will help you achieve speeds up to about 30 MPH in pedal assist mode. That simply means that when you pedal the bike, you can feel the motor helping you pedal. It's not doing all the work for you, but it's making the work you have to do much easier. Imagine the effort you put into pedaling 10 or 12 MPH on a traditional bike in middle gear. Now think of going twice as fast with the same or less effort in high gear. It doubles the fun of the easier parts of biking and removes most of the pain of the difficult parts, most notably hills and headwinds.

The other cool thing about pedal assist is that you can select your level of assist with a simple control on the handlebars. Nearly all pedal assist bikes still have gears too, but now they also have pedal assist levels. You can also choose to get a motor boost of say, 25, 35, 50, 75, or 99 percent. You could quickly find that riding the bike at an assist level that outpaces your ability to pedal with resistance on the pedals is not all that fun. So depending on the terrain, grade, weight of the rider, and speed, you might prefer an assist level of 2 or 3 out of 5 to achieve both a good speed but also still get real exercise where you have to pedal to achieve your goal. You'll find that in most road and flat trail situations, you will very quickly shift into high gear and then find the assist level that gives the most efficient ride. Note that the more work you do yourself, the longer the battery lasts, from 40 to 70 miles in many cases.

Many e-bikes also have a simple throttle that will propel the bike all by itself. Regulations make manufacturers max out the throttle itself at 20 MPH. This won't help you get exercise, but it will get you to work fast without breaking a sweat in your nice shirt, making it a possible replacement for a car, especially in more temperate climates. It's also a nice option for getting a quick start from a dead stop in an intersection, so you can get through that more dangerous scenario around drivers who are waiting for you to get out of the way.

The batteries are easily removable, usually with a key for added security. You can remove the battery to charge it elsewhere, especially if your garage gets hot or cold for storage. Batteries are temperamental about extreme temperatures in either direction. Removing the battery from a bike also makes it less of a theft target. Let's

face it, a bike worth \$1,500 to \$5,000 can be a tempting target. The batteries can take quite a while to charge from near empty, but in most cases, one charge will get you through a day pretty easily, and you can recharge overnight. And a lot of rides under an hour will not even drain the battery halfway. The battery is obviously a big portion of the bike's weight. Inside it looks like about 50 AA batteries packed into a housing. That's dense weight.

The bike is turned on via a control on the handlebars which is usually also the same device that has "+" and "-" buttons to increase and decrease your level of pedal assist. If your bike has lights, they are likely controlled here too. You track everything via a digital display on the handlebars that shows your speed, a tachometer to track your distance both for the trip and total miles traveled on the bike, as well as energy bars to let you know how much battery is left.

This display is also used to adjust settings on the bike. There are a lot of options if you get into the settings to dial in your preferences. Manufacturers would prefer you don't monkey with the settings, but you may find that a level of assist from 0 to 9 instead of 0 to 5, for example, gives you more flexibility in hitting just the right amount of assist that lets you fly along without the bike's speed exceeding your ability to comfortably pedal with resistance. A lot of user manuals won't even discuss the fact that you can adjust these things, but most bikes have YouTube videos showing how you can do so. Bear in-mind that after market alterations will often void a warranty.

Depending on local laws, many e-bikes are legally classified as bicycles rather than mopeds or motorcycles. This exempts them from the more stringent laws regarding the certification and operation of more powerful two-wheelers which are often classed as electric motorcycles. E-bikes can also be defined separately and treated under distinct electric bicycle laws.

In Iowa, an e-bike is defined as a "bicycle," so long as the e-bike's motor is 750 watts or less with a top motor-assisted speed of 20 MPH under motor power alone and with fully operable pedals. Helmets are not required (but extremely highly suggested considering you can really get rolling), and there is no age minimum for e-bike use. E-bikes are allowed on sidewalks and bike paths. So yes, you can ride an e-bike in Dubuque on paths and trails like the Heritage Trail and the great trail they are completing along the Bee Branch on the north end of Dubuque. Powered e-bikes are not welcome on serious mountain bike trails in Dubuque such as the Proving Grounds, mainly for the fact that they are professionally built trails intended for experienced riders moving at a normal pace and are not designed to safely accommodate or carry as much speed as e-bikes can produce amongst the twists and turns and challenging aspects.

For me personally, after losing a good amount of weight in 2020 simply by walking and dieting and having recovered from two years of dealing with cancer, I got to a weight where I thought I could comfortably try riding a bike. Note here that still close to 300 pounds, I had not ridden a bike for more than a lark since I was a teenager. So it's been 30 years. I was hesitant about the realistic success I would have trying to do it again after so long. And then I came across the e-bike option, and it sounded most exciting. It was going into fall, so I told myself if I could get to spring in decent shape and if the cancer stayed at bay, I'd get a bike in 2021. This gave me some cold winter months to dive down the e-bike rabbit hole. I assure you it is deep, and it has many offshoots.

I found there are kind of two price levels for e-bikes. Sure there are some really cheap ones sub \$1,000, but I would not suggest those for adults. So I'm going to refer to the two levels as I see them. Literally, scores of new companies have sprung up in the last couple of years selling similar but individualized e-bikes that range from \$1,300 to \$2,500, with \$1,500-\$1,700 seeming to be the sweet spot on price. This is a very affordable price point for many people to jump into the game, and, as I said above, you WILL find a style, size, and application to match your needs at this price point. Competition has made bike makers find niches to fill. So you can get a big fat tire mountain bike for all terrains or perhaps a cruiser for trails and streets. There are throwback-looking cruisers that feel like the '50s but ride like the wind. There are also ones quite specifically designed for urban transport and work-based situations with racks for cargo transport and even models that fold up to take into the office with you.

The next level I found is a higher quality, often name brand bikes, with the best possible components like derailleurs, brakes, shocks, wheels, etc. We're talking about brands like Trek, Giant, Cannondale, Specialized, and more. The prices here start around \$2,500 and get close to \$10,000, with \$4,000-\$5,000 being a sweet spot there. Many more expensive bikes have the drive assist mid-frame, which may provide more power and also has less or no lag time in the motor responding to the rider's pressure on the pedals. One of the most visually noticeable differences with many of these more expensive bikes is that the battery has often been sleekly designed to fit inside the frame of the bike whereas most lower-cost models have big batteries basically bolted onto the frame, but not always. There's no mechanical problem with that; it's just not quite as sexy as an aesthetically streamlined frame. You can most easily tell an e-bike by looking for a long, fat black square block attached to the frame by your feet where you would normally mount a water bottle. With these higher-end bikes, you get what you pay for, and if these prices are in your wheelhouse, you'll surely be thrilled with the quality of the build and the experience. And, the huge benefit of the level-up options is that you can get them through local professional bike shops instead of mail order like nearly all of the lower-end models. So you have the backup of service and knowledge of the product by local bike shops to keep you trucking. The big drawback right now is finding one in stock.

Locally, three great professional bike shops all carry e-bike brands, mostly name-brand, higher-level options. The Bike Shack offers Specialized, Giant, Momentum, and Transend E+ ranging from \$2,600 to \$7,000. Free Flight Bikes focuses on a big variety of Trek e-bikes and a Surley model from \$1,650 to \$7,000. Bicycle World downtown is also a Trek shop carrying mid-frame Trek models starting at around \$2,500 and Townie Go by Elektra, which features a retro cruiser look, with models in that \$1,500-\$2,500 range.

People love to shop local, and we certainly echo that sentiment, so this is where we rudely pull the rug out from under ourselves. After interviewing Dubuque leading bike retailers for this story, the collective sentiment is that it's simply going to be very difficult to find an e-bike in Dubuque this summer through a retailer. Not impossible, and it seems that if you are a tall person you have a better shot at finding an available bike to fit you. But so far, what they've been able to get in stock sold fast, and replenishing is not expected before winter. Demand plays a role, but lingering supply chain



A SAMPLING OF THE VARIOUS STYLES OF E-BIKES THAT ARE AVAILABLE

issues are still causing problems, just like if you try to order custom furniture or many appliances right now.

David Hartig from Bicycle World explains it well, “We don’t say we’re ‘out.’ We may not have it on the floor, but there are varying degrees of not in stock. Because there is a shortage and unprecedented global demand and in some instances a four-month shutdown of manufacturing, the supply chain has slowed. How many parts from how many manufacturers have to come together to make a bike? There are tens of thousands of bikes sidelined for lack of one single component. Everybody has spun up their manufacturing to keep up with demand, but the supply chain is now operating on an allocation basis instead of just-in-time. We have over a hundred bikes on order, but instead of getting three pallets of bikes in a shipment, we’re getting a dozen. In 2019, if you ordered by 4 p.m. and we didn’t have it, it’s likely on our doorstep the next morning. We assemble it, and you have it in two days. So we have over a hundred bikes on the way, but the rate at which they’re coming in is less than we’d like.”

Local retailers agree that they choose not to go out and bring in untested brands they possibly could get a hold of, preferring to stick with lines they currently keep in stock that they consider to be quality and they want customers riding. For example, Free Flight and Bicycle World sell mainly Trek and through that partnership have great diagnostic support. Trek runs a Bosch power system so authorized shops can do diagnostics and firmware updates in store and have a place to get authorized parts. Servicing brands they don’t carry means they couldn’t know for sure where to start to find parts to repair the bike’s electrical components. Of course, next year e-bikes will likely be more available, and all of the local shops will surely sell a ton of them.

So as I get you all excited about e-bikes, the bummer part of this is that you may have to go to online retailers to get one now or soon. Even if you find bikes available online, shipping backups should be expected to be a month or two out. So if that is your plan, do your research first and get your order queued up so you can be riding while the sun is still out in 2021.

If you are like me and you want to get riding now, then a \$1,500 bike through an online retailer is still going to serve you well. You will also note a huge variety of styles online that may not be available locally. This is the route that my wife and I took with our bikes. We ordered in February, and our bikes arrived within a month. The warmer it gets, naturally, the longer the wait gets. But when the bike arrives, I promise you will find it has been worth the wait.

My wife got an Aventon-brand bike. It’s the most highly-rated and most talked about of the “affordable”

range of bikes I found online. It’s also the most talked about in other national stories on e-bikes. It seems like they have earned their stripes pretty quickly with quality and service. We got a seafoam green Pace 500 step-through. It’s still pretty light for an e-bike at 49 pounds with a 750-watt motor, a 40-mile average range on a Samsung Lithium Ion Battery, and 28 MPH top speed. Forbes called it the best bang for the buck in the market. And it has name-brand components like Shimano derailleur, Tekteo hydraulic brakes, and Kenda tires.

As a fat guy, I needed a bike that was safely rated to carry my weight and give me a decently comfy ride. So after much Googling and head scratching, I chose to go with a brand called Himiway out of England. It’s a super fat tire mountain bike, they call a “cruiser.” It should be called a “beast.” It looks like one, and I love it all the more for that reason. At about 85 pounds, it’s as far from a carbon-fiber racing bike as you can get. Without the pedal assist, between the giant tires and the weight of the bike itself, it’s truly a heavy ride to pedal on human power alone. But when I light it up, so to speak, she flies right along with a 750-watt motor and, likewise to the Aventon, boasts name-brand components. Like many people, I made some alterations to my ride, including a bigger comfy seat, double barrel water bottles, and we both got a left-hand mirror to watch for traffic behind us. Now that we can book it, riding on the road is a lot easier, and since we’re in traffic, you need to be aware of it all the more. You really should not be riding bikes 20 miles per hour on a sidewalk anyway.

Now this is me, “Mr. newbie fat guy on a bike” who’s only put 200 miles on his e-bike since he got it a month ago, expounding with advice on my experience, so take that with as much salt as you like, but I definitely have thoughts.

This thing is FREEING! A year ago, feeling terrible, extra heavy after quarantine in my house with TV and food for COVID for three months and also just coming off of cancer treatments, I felt like total crap. If you told me then that a year later I’d be riding a bicycle from my house atop the bluffs of Dubuque out to Durango and back... on my first rides... and it would be FUN, I would call you nuts. This bike is a complete game-changer for me and for many others. Regular time on the bike can improve gait, balance, flexibility, motor coordination, and strength. Not to mention emotional well-being. I can attest it’s also good for the soul.

Yes, it does some of the work for me, but is it exercise? Yes, it is definitely exercise. When I get home, I have noodle legs. But I DID it. Imagine all of the fun parts of bicycling without the crappy parts, like dying on hills,

riding into a headwind, or not being able to keep up with friends who are in way better shape than you. This bike is the great equalizer. Couples can bike together now if one was a great rider before and the other was not. Now they can enjoy the ride together, and no one gets frustrated. It’s not about fairness. This isn’t a race. It’s about being dealt back into a game you never thought you’d play again.

It’s no surprise that the key sales demographic is 45- to 65-years-olds. Where once that was a select age bracket to still be biking, it’s now become mainstream again. Forbes reported that sales of e-bikes are expected to go from 3.7 million per year in 2019 to 17 million per year by 2030. For many, especially in urban areas, they expect e-bike options to replace cars. Deloitte research company predicted that bikes as a whole, boosted by huge growth in the e-bike sector, would see billions of additional rides in 2022 compared to 2019 and double the number of bike uses in major cities where bicycling to work is still uncommon. And that prediction came before the pandemic hit. By all measures, COVID-19 has only hurried along this trend.

There are a couple of populations out there that I really encourage to look into e-bikes. The first is, of course, people who just can’t do real bikes well anymore. This definitely includes older people. I see a LOT of older Dubuquers biking down by the Bee Brach and heading out to Heritage Trail from there. More and more are sporting e-bikes. If you retired from biking because the “hard parts” just got too hard, welcome back! You CAN do this again. If you are out of shape like me and want to get healthier, this is an amazing option, and it’s so much fun. Something that was out of your reach is not anymore. I even think for those with some impairments, even serious conditions like Parkinson’s, that make it hard to walk or run, you could give this a test drive. Low impact yet so impactful.

The other group this is a game changer for is people commuting to work. You can take a bike to work, even in nice clothes, and not break any more of a sweat than you want to. Pedal or throttle as needed to get to your destination without over-exerting yourself. Save gas money and parking costs as well. It would also be amazing for delivering food and such around downtown. Some e-bikes are made for that.

So what are the downfalls of e-bikes?

Well, in this year when it’s harder to get one in a timely manner, they’re also not cheap. Even the \$1,500 bikes are a big jump from a \$500 ten-speed. And with value comes a target. You’ll want to lock it up good and probably take the battery with you into work or dinner or wherever you ride to if you can’t put the bike away somewhere. There is also the range. Once the battery

dies, the bike is still totally rideable as a bike, but it's now a heavy bike, and you've been spoiled. E-bikes are heavy, from 40 to 75 pounds usually, which is multiple times heavier than a traditional bike.

And there is the issue of service. More parts and electronics mean more can break on an e-bike. You'll want to make sure a local bike shop will service your bike if you didn't buy it there, and in Dubuque they will. Our local professional bike retailers have service departments that will efficiently work on any bike, not just the ones they sell. The Dubuque Bike Coop is also a do-it-yourself bike repair facility with experts on hand to teach you how to care for your own ride if you'd like to learn to not be dependent on others. I'd also check on service comments related to bikes that come in the mail. How is the company with replacement parts and warranty items?

As a new mass-market technology, who knows just how long these batteries will last, and with so many new companies making these bikes, will the company you choose, if you go that route, still be making bikes or replacement batteries in 4 or 5 years when you want to replace yours? Yes, batteries get better all the time, and lithium-ion has no memory so you don't have to worry about draining it down before you recharge, but you will need a new battery someday. These are all things to take into consideration.

And lastly, there is a chance that this experience could ruin you for a normal bike. It's like getting superpowers and then giving them back to get back on a normal bike. Who doesn't want superpowers?

Attitudes have evolved about e-bikes among bike diehards. A couple of years ago, "real" bikers would have called e-bikes cheating. But since they've seen people be able to rejoin to ride who could no longer do it and then actually getting on one themselves, they have to admit that it's just plain fun. E-bikes are being accepted as real bikes, and if they can't get over it, then all the more fun for us.

"I was a naysayer for the longest time," shares David Hartig. "It's my nature to say 'just bootstrap it' but it occurred to me, and I'm embarrassed to admit it, that when I started seeing the people coming into the shop making inquiries about e-bikes and why, these were not lazy people. They were just not able to effectively ride normal bikes. And we didn't come to sell e-bikes out of a retail-driven demand for more sales, but the fact that we now have a tool to offer that allows people to bicycle well beyond their normal 'end.' When a long-time customer comes in to sell their bike because they can't ride anymore, and now an



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e-bike gives them five or ten more years of a hobby they've loved for 40 years, as a bike shop guy, I'm in. I'm all in."

David also sees the overall growing interest in the participation of riding bikes is what is going to get us much closer to the critical mass of riders, which will be required to get motorists to actually notice that they are indeed sharing the road with bikes and treat them with the deference they deserve.

I am on Facebook groups dedicated to owners of my exact bike. One of them is not at all company affiliated, so you know the comments and feedback are genuine. I like the banter there and sharing of ideas. I'd suggest you look for the same for any bike you own. What works best for others to solve issues they have will likely serve you well too. If you want to know more about e-bikes, you can ask one of our great professional local bike retailers or just Google e-bikes once. Once is all it takes. Every digital ad you will ever see again on Facebook or CNN will be for e-bikes.

I live at the top of one of downtown Dubuque's famously steep streets. When I thought of getting a bike initially, you know I thought about ending every ride having to ride back up that damned hill, or, let's be realistic, finish a good ride by giving up and walking my exhausted panting ass up the hill because I cannot ride up it. Well, folks, I can ride up it. It's still work, and a good amount of work, but the point is, each ride does not end in a letdown. I gear down and grind away, but in a minute, I'm at my garage without having to get off and walk my bike up North Main St., and that's a victory all in itself. And the excuses not to go ride, outside of weather, are gone. So go ride! ■

Bike Week

MAY 16-23

This year's Bike Week includes biking for any reason—to work, to school, to farmer's market, or just for fun! Join others and ride around Dubuque May 16-23.

Kick off Bike Week with a community bike ride and safety checks on Sunday, May 16. Starting at the Bee Branch Greenway at 22nd St Trailhead at 9:30 a.m., Dubuque Bike Coop will conduct safety checks on all bikes, and That One Place Coffee Truck will be on-hand to fill your cup. The first 50 cyclists will receive a Volv fanny pack! At 11 a.m., ride along the Greenway, 16th St trail, and Kerper Blvd with a pit-stop at Dupaco Alley in the Millwork District. Then circle back to the Bee Branch through the Washington Neighborhood. This event includes on-street riding with Community Oriented Police (COP) helping to guide the ride. Please evaluate your cycling skills and ride only on the portions of the route where you're comfortable.

Additional planned events for Bike Week include a Bike-In to Mid-Week



Market at 11th and Iowa St. from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, and a Bike-In Movie at the Dubuque Bike Coop, 2206 Central Ave., on Thursday night, May 20. Friday brings HandleBar Happy Hour at Jubeck New World Brewing, 115 W. 11th St., and Saturday is E-Bike Demonstration Day at Bicycle World, 1072 Central Ave. See what all the 365ink cover story fuss is about. Dubuque bicycle terrain-themed T-shirts are available with pro-

ceeds supporting local nonprofit organizations. Order yours online at bonfire.com/store/2021-bike-week.

Register your ride for a chance to win \$100 to your favorite local bike shop! Also, a prize drawing is available for cyclists who register their miles at TrailVision.org.

Whether you're riding for fun, fitness, or with family, or taking essential trips to work or shop, you are part of our movement for safer streets, connected communities, a healthier planet, and happier people. Follow Dubuque Bike Week on Facebook for more information at facebook.com/bikeweekdbq. ■

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The Other Two
6 PM @ Trackside

Corey Jenny
6 PM @ Grape Escape

Thirsty Thursday Open Mic
w/ Chad Olsen
7 PM @ Smokestack

Tiny Concert Series: Beth Kille
7 PM @ B-Spoke Bar,
The Driftless

Rock Star Bingo
7 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

FRI 5/14
Food Truck Friday: Joie Wails
11:30 PM @ Washington Park

Laura McDonald &
Marcus DeJesus
6 PM @ Wicked Dame

Al Ronek
6 PM @ Stone Cliff

Kristina Castañeda &
Shawn Healy
6 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

The Struggle
6 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar & Grill

Meghan Davis
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub

Tony & The Tiger Kings
7 PM @ Hilltop

Jef Spradley
7 PM @ Grape Escape

Steve Cavanaugh &
Randy Droessler
8 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Taste Like Chicken
8 PM @ The Yardarm

Beth Kille
9 PM @ Lock 12 Music

Variety Show w/ Shane Blakely
9:30 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

SAT 5/15
Steve McIntyre
11 AM @ Galena Cellars Downtown

DJ Alea
2 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar
(Courtyard)

Elizabeth Mary
2 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina

Kampfire Kings
2 PM @ Grape Escape

Jim Mantey
2 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard

Scott Waterhouse
5 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown

Joie Wails
6 PM @ Wicked Dame

Jef Spradley
6 PM @ Stone Cliff

Cal Coohy
6 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar & Grill

Meghan Davis
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub

Ron Lubbers
6:30 PM @ Joliet Event Center

Theresa Rosetta
7 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co.

Tony & The Tiger Kings
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Mojo Busted
7 PM @ Grape Escape

Latin Rave w/ DJ Papi
8 PM @ Smokestack

The Struggle
8 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Your Mom
8 PM @ The Yardarm

4th & 20
9 PM @ Downtown Billiards

Open Mic
9 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

SUN 5/16
Massey Road
1 PM @ Knickers

Mark Zalaznik
1 PM @ The Yardarm

Big Mojo
1 PM @ Jimmy's

Josh Yeltman
1 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina

Open Mic w/ Scott Rische
1 PM @ Grape Escape

Amber & Adam
2 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Jimmy Welty Band
2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery

Tony Walker
2:30 PM @ New Diggings
General Store & Inn

Johnnie Walker
3 PM @ Stone Cliff

The Resistors
3 PM @ Northside Bar

2nd Generation Band
4 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern

TUE 5/18
Leo-oke: Live Piano Karaoke
7 PM @ Wicked Dame

WED 5/19
Open Mic
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Dueling Pianos w/ Felix & Fingers
7 PM @ B-Spoke Bar,
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7 PM @ B-Spoke Bar,
The Driftless

Rock Star Bingo
7 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

FRI 5/21
Jef Spradley
6 PM @ Wicked Dame

A Pirate Over 50
6 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co.

John Moran
6 PM @ Stone Cliff

Marty Raymon
6 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Secrets
6 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn (deck)

Johnnie Walker
6 PM @ The Palace, Dyersville

Danny Parker Project
6 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar & Grill

Steve McIntyre
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub

Jackson Taylor & The Sinners
7 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern

Brown Bottle Bandits
7 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina

Mini Monster Duo
7 PM @ Hilltop

Joie Wails
7 PM @ Grape Escape

Boy Band Review, Pop Rocks
7:30 PM @ Five Flags Arena

JabberBox
8 PM @ The Yardarm

Ken Osterhaus
9:30 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

SAT 5/22
DR Duo
11 AM @ Galena Cellars Downtown

Joie Wails
2 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina

Kampfire Kings
2 PM @ Grape Escape

Meghan Davis
2 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard

Bruce Kort
5 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown

JJ Schmitz
6 PM @ Wicked Dame

Steve Cavanaugh &
Randy Droessler
6 PM @ Stone Cliff

Johnnie Walker
6 PM @ Knickers

Ron Lubbers
6 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar & Grill

Steve McIntyre
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub

Mark Zalaznik
7 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co.

The Lonely Goats
7 PM @ Grape Escape

Jimmy Welty Band
7 PM @ Twisted Vines, Potosi

Air Supply w/ Elizabeth Mary
7:30 PM @ Five Flags Arena

Warehouse Dance Party
w/ Nita Beat
8 PM @ Smokestack

Jake Bender
8 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Rock Steady
8 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Gypsy Pistols
8 PM @ The Yardarm

Open Mic
9 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

SUN 5/23
Andy Wilberding
1 PM @ The Yardarm

Jimmy Welty Band
1 PM @ Dockside Bar & Grille

Back Booth Alley
1 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina

Open Mic w/ Scott Rische
1 PM @ Grape Escape

Hangin' Around
2 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Johnnie Walker
2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery

Ten Gallon Hat
2:30 PM @ New Diggings
General Store

Tony Walker
3 PM @ Stone Cliff

Big Mojo
3 PM @ Northside Bar

Tony & The Tiger Kings
4 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern

Ron Tegler Jazz Trio
5 PM @ Flatted Fifth Blues & BBQ

TUE 5/25
Leo-oke: Live Piano Karaoke
7 PM @ Wicked Dame

WED 5/26
Open Mic
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Dueling Pianos w/ Felix & Fingers
7 PM @ B-Spoke Bar,
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THU 5/27

Jimmy Welty Band
5 PM @ Jimmy's Pub,
East Dubuque

Lojo Russo
6 PM @ Grape Escape (patio)

Who Are These Guys
6:30 PM @ The Yardarm

Thirsty Thursday Open Mic
w/ Chad Olsen
7 PM @ Smokestack

Tiny Concert Series: Sam Day
7 PM @ B-Spoke Bar,
The Driftless

Rock Star Bingo
7 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

FRI 5/28

Kickoff 2 Summer:
LoveMonkeys, Tanner Lee &
The Beach Bums, Bad Hair
5 PM @ DBQ Co Fairgrounds

Sam Day
6 PM @ Wicked Dame

Bryce & Dayton
6 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co.

Three Quarter Buzz
6 PM @ Stone Cliff

Mini Monster Duo
6 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Johnnie Walker
6 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn (deck)

The Lonely Goats
6 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar & Grill

Andreas Transo
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub

Superkick
7 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina

Wicked Liz & The Belly Swirls
8 PM @ The Yardarm

Silent Ire & High Five Sinners
9 PM @ Smokestack

Chad Olson
9:30 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

SAT 5/29

Ace Jones
11 AM @ Coconut Cove

Steve Kalmes
11 AM @ Galena Cellars Downtown

Kampfire Kings
2 PM @ Grape Escape

Ky & Ty
2 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard

Johnnie Walker
3 PM @ Coconut Cove

Big Medicine
5 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown

DR Trio
6 PM @ Stone Cliff

Miles Nielsen & The Rusted
Hearts w/ Boogie Monster
6 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern

Rock Steady
6 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar & Grill

Tony Walker
6 PM @ Midtown Marina

Andreas Transo
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub

Leo David & Danny Parker
7 PM @ Wicked Dame

Ky & Ty
7 PM @ Grape Escape

Allegro Audio Warehouse &
Rooftop Rave
8 PM @ Smokestack

Marques Morel
8 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Steve Kalmes
8 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Zero2Sixty
8 PM @ The Yardarm

Dealbreakers
8 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina

Open Mic
9 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

SUN 5/30

Steve McIntyre
Noon @ Galena Cellars Vineyard

Johnnie Walker
1 PM @ The Yardarm

Open Mic w/ Scott Rische
1 PM @ Grape Escape

Rock Steady
2 PM @ Knickers

A Few Blind Mice
2 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn (deck)

Triple Threat
2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery

The Wundos
2:30 PM @ New Diggings
General Store

Secrets
3 PM @ Stone Cliff

RatchetJaw Duo
3 PM @ Coconut Cove

Adam Bartels Band
3 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern

Big Mojo
3:30 PM @ Frentress Lake
Bar & Grill

Bryce & Dayton
4 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co.

Kristina Castañeda &
Shawn Healy
4 PM @ Park Farm Winery

Sushi Roll
8 PM @ The Yardarm

MON 5/31

Jeff Theisen
1 PM @ The Yardarm

Brews Brothers w/ Denny Garcia
2 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern

TUE 6/1

Leo-oke: Live Piano Karaoke
7 PM @ Wicked Dame

Open Mic
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Danny Parker Project
6 PM @ Grape Escape

WED 6/2

Dueling Pianos w/ Felix & Fingers
7 PM @ B-Spoke Bar,
The Driftless

THU 6/3

Ron Lubbers
5:30 PM @ Crusin' Thursdays,
East DBQ

Taste of Summer: Amber &
Adam Beck, Elizabeth Mary Band
6 PM @ Mississippi River Museum

Nutsy Turtle & Lori G
6 PM @ Maquoketa
Summer Concert Series

Roy Schroedl
6 PM @ Grape Escape

Casey Klein
6:30 PM @ The Yardarm

Thirsty Thursday Open Mic
w/ Chad Olsen
7 PM @ Smokestack

Tiny Concert Series:
Gypsy & Resident
7 PM @ B-Spoke Bar,
The Driftless

Rock Star Bingo
7 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co.

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FRI. 21

Jackson Taylor & The Sinners
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SUN. 23

Campfire Kings
4 p.m.

SAT. 29

Miles Nielsen & The Rusted Hearts
With Boogie Monster
6 p.m. \$10 Cover

SUN. 30

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3 p.m.


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WITH BOOGIE MONSTER

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Jackson Taylor & the Sinners

FRIDAY, MAY 21 @ 7:30 PM

SANDY HOOK TAVERN (3868 BADGER RD, HAZEL GREEN, WI)

Jackson Taylor & the Sinners is a Western-inspired rock band with a tremendous emphasis on musicianship, virtuosity, and composition. Accordingly, they go out of their way to create really polished performed music.

You know you're looking at something polished when the person composing the song crafts it in such a way that they know exactly what will happen before, during, and after certain parts of the song. In other words, it forms a musical tapestry that creates a range of emotions in the minds of the people listening to that type of music. There is a lot of deliberation here. This is not random. This is not something that you just stumble into. This is not something that kind of

mutated on its own. This kind of music is a result of different strategic, well-thought-out, and well-mapped-out choices. This is why you'll love Jackson Taylor so much.

This band really goes out of its way to fuse old-school blues musical elements with Western-inspired rock guitars, which of course, in turn, was previously influenced by the blues. This is not easy, mind you. Their music is meticulous without sounding too academic. There is a refreshing urgency in their riffs. And they just plain and silly kick-ass.

Catch them on Sandy Hook Tavern owner Ashley Lawrence's birthday! This is an outdoor show. Tickets are \$15 in advance at the Hook or \$20 at the gate. Totally worth it! ■



Miles Nielsen & The Rusted Hearts

WITH BOOGIE MONSTER

SATURDAY, MAY 29 @ 6 PM

SANDY HOOK TAVERN (3868 BADGER RD, HAZEL GREEN, WI)

Rockford, IL-based Miles Nielsen has spent nearly a decade enthralled audiences with music that draws force from the prime years of Western-influenced rock music and classic '60s soul. Miles Nielsen & The Rusted Hearts claim influences as diverse as Otis Redding's classic soul and Jellyfish's cult power pop recordings.

We're not going to lie, these guys are unabashedly 365ink's favorite band. They ooze cool on stage, are so tight and in the pocket it's ridiculous, and simply have an unparalleled groove. These days Miles is also often on the road touring

with his father, brother, and wife as the Nielsen Trust when Rick and Daxx are not on the road with their other band, Cheap Trick. Yeah, THAT Cheap Trick.

But on this Memorial Day Weekend, Miles and the men of the Rusted Hearts bring their memorable show to the Sandy Hook Tavern's outdoor venue, a great place to experience great music as well as killer eats from AJ's Meat Shack. The show will be opened by Dubuque's own masters of funk, Boogie Monster who are worth the trip across the bridge all by themselves. Together it's a holiday no-brainer. \$10 at the gate. ■



LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES

THU 5/13



Beth Kille

7 PM @ B-SPOKE BAR (168 E 10TH ST)

Beth Kille is a 22-time Madison Area Music Association (MAMA) award-winning artist from Madison, WI who has been cranking out Americana Rock tunes since 2000. Her stage prowess was recognized in 2011 when she received Artist of the Year honors at the Madison Area Music Awards—a rare accomplishment for a solo artist. She has also been honored twice with the MAMA for Female Vocalist of the Year ('06, '10) and was nominated for Singer-Songwriter of the Year in 2014 by the Wisconsin Area Music Industry (WAMI).

FRI 5/14



The Struggle

6 PM @ FRENTRESS LAKE BAR & GRILL
(818 GILL RD, EAST DUBUQUE, IL)

The Struggle is a five-person band based in Iowa. They've all been friends for years, and it really shows through their chemistry on stage. The band has an infectious energy that will send you on an unforgettable journey through the decades. Lead singer, Emily Mae Webb, adds powerful vocals with an unmistakable, Joplin-like jazz influence that really sets them apart. See them again on 5/15 at 8 p.m. at Spirits, Days Inn.



Kristina Castañeda & Shawn Healy

6 PM @ GARY DOLPHIN'S IRON BAR
(333 E 10TH ST)

Is it blues? Is it jazz? Is it gypsy? Whatever label you cannot put on Kristina and Shawn, you can call it great. Kristina's delicate and haunting vocals are so well balanced with the hollow-body guitar tones from Shawn. You'll be ready for another glass of wine when you immerse yourself in this talented duo. See them again on 5/30 at 4 p.m. at Park Farm Winery.

SAT 5/15



Elizabeth Mary

2 PM @ MILLENNIUM BAR & MARINA

With a prolific string of singles and records since 2018 including *Dance With the Fear* and *Meet Me in Madison*, the single "Sweatpants and Wine" garnered great regional airplay and won KBOE 104.9 FM Iowa Country Song of the Year. Whether playing solo or with the full band, Elizabeth will leave an impression on your heart and a smile on your face. Elizabeth Mary's relatable lyrics and genuine personality will leave you wanting more. You can catch 50 episodes of her virtual show *Sweatpants and Wine* on her Facebook page, [facebook.com/musicbyelizabethmary](https://www.facebook.com/musicbyelizabethmary). See her again on 6/3 at 6 p.m. at the Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium for Taste of Summer, 6/6 at noon at Galena Cellars Vineyard, and 6/13 at 3 p.m. at Coconut Cove. In addition to local headlining shows, she will be opening for Air Supply at Five Flags Arena on 5/22 at 7:30 p.m.



Tony & The Tiger Kings
7 PM @ GARY DOLPHIN'S IRON BAR (333 E 10TH ST)
Okay, what happens when you throw all of Dubuque's most talented and journeymen musicians in a bingo ball sorter and pull out three selections? This time you get Tony & The Tiger Kings. Led by an incredible guitar player, Tony Brown, and backed by the rock-solid, if slightly off their rocker, duo of Jeff Weydert and Jimmy Berg, Tony & The Tiger Kings will fill your day or night with great tunes from the '80s, '90s, 2000s and more. Usually in a supporting role for some of Dubuque's best bands, Tony takes the lead and not just on the guitar solos.



Your Mom
8 PM @ YARDARM (1201 SHIRAS AVE EXT)
Your Mom is serving up delicious rock, pop, and country covers from the '50s to today. With over 50 years of rocking experience combined, outrageous stage antics, and wry-witted banter, Your Mom has something tasty for everyone!

WED 5/19



Dueling Pianos with Felix & Fingers
7 PM @ B-SPOKE BAR (168 E 10TH ST)
Felix & Fingers began when *American Idol* top ten male finalist Dave Radford met cruise ship veteran Mike Potts. Both back in the Chicago suburbs, the timing was right to introduce Chicago and the Midwest to their unique take on Dueling Pianos, now leading a growing group of players that tours the country and brings the party. See them every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at B-Spoke Bar.

THU 5/20



Tiny Concert Series: Brion Bowman
7 PM @ B-SPOKE BAR (168 E 10TH ST)
Brion Bowman has so much talent wrapped into one person! He can play anything from jazz to country to pop to R&B. His musical gifts afford him the ability to flow and adapt to the setting. As the founder and owner of BKBMusix, a local small business, Brion has established a foundation of jazz-classical piano and voice at The School Of Music Vocations. He teaches music as he supports and helps to raise up our local musicians.

FRI 5/21



Mini Monster Duo
7 PM @ THE HILLTOP AT MENOMINEE (16680 HWY 20, EAST DBQ, IL)
Lady Katie and Jeff Weydert from Dubuque's own super-duper disco-funk band Boogie Monster just can't get enough rockin'. So they set off on this musical duoship (it's a word now!) featuring Katie's ridiculously powerful soulful voice and Jeff's deep raspy growl, blended together with an acoustic guitar to make somewhat lower-key funky monster magic. See them again on 5/28 at 6 p.m. at Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar.

SAT 5/22



Gypsy Pistols
8 PM @ YARDARM (1201 SHIRAS AVE EXT)
These high-mileage, high-energy rockers came together to form a fun and energetic band that puts on a hell of a rockin' show that will get you stomping your feet and the rest of you shaking a leg all night long. There's a reason why they are called the Tri-State's #1 Party Band (them's fighting words!) Straight out of the Marshall into your eardrums.



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5.23 ANDY WILBERDING

5.27 WHO ARE THESE GUYS

5.28 WICKED LIZ & THE BELLYSWIRLS

5.29 ZERO 2 SIXTY

5.30 JOHNNIE WALKER

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SUN 5/23

Ten Gallon Hat
2:30 PM @ NEW DIGGINGS GENERAL STORE (2944 CO RD I, BENTON, WI)
These guys might not be very serious dudes, but the music sure is. The classic-contemporary country and Southern rock specialists focus their effort on great multi-vocal performances that will make you wanna throw your bottle at their chicken-wire cage out of love if they had such a thing.

SUN 5/23

Big Mojo
3 PM @ NORTHSIDE BAR (2776 JACKSON ST)
Three journeymen rockers come together to remind you where great rock and roll came from. Sure, they're all a little gray around the edges, but they still kick it right in the ass. No sluffin' off with these ol' boys. Guy Green pounds of the beat, Paul Giligan rips through the solos and power chords on his pretty Paul Reed Smith guitar, and Dan Shireman leads the way on vocals and keeps the low-end dirty-side-down on bass. Heck, the ladies even tell Paul that he smells like fun! If it's too loud, you're probably the same age as these dudes! See, their shows here are in the afternoon because they have to get to bed before it gets dark. Oh man, Paul's gonna kill me! See them again on 5/30 at 3:30 p.m. at Frentress Lake Bar & Grill.

SAT 5/28

Superkick
7 PM @ MILLENNIUM BAR & MARINA (780 HARBOR DR, EAST DBQ, IL)
A new high-energy rockin' band in the Dubuque area, we saw Superkick at

the Yardarm, and we liked their choice of tunes. Not all of the same stuff you see everywhere else. Everyone can sing. You know JJ Schmitz can tear it up on the fretboard, and any band with a keyboard has just another level of diversity on the sound. Everyone does Zeppelin, but how many do "Fool in the Rain?" Right! Check em out! See them again on 6/26 at Downtown Billiards.

Wicked Liz & The Belly Swirls
8 PM @ YARDARM (1201 SHIRAS AVE EXT)
Ah, it's like being dipped in magic waters when Wicked Liz and the boys come back to town to tear it up. Twenty years later, they are as awesome as ever and are sure to draw die-hard fans off the couch to remember when they were young and could still party. The same great lineup as ever, with Liz Treiber joined by Greg Hipskind on drums, Bob Kelly on bass and vocals, and Leo Kelly on guitar and vocals never disappoints. Covers, originals, they can do it all and surely will!

MON 5/31

Brews Brothers with Denny Garcia
2 PM @ SANDY HOOK TAVERN (3868 BADGER RD, HAZEL GREEN, WI)
It's not officially Memorial Day in the Tri-States until a bunch of mildly disheveled misanthropic-looking musicians with a twinkle of mischief in their eyes converge on stage at the Sandy Hook tavern to back up two fedora-wearing, hard-charging, black suit and shades-wearing bluesmen known throughout the land as the Brews Brothers. This tribute show is rollicking fun and full of great guitar work, a powerful horn section, and one harmonica-wielding briefcase. Bring the family, just don't bring the Illinois Nazis. I hate Illinois Nazis. It's going to be a party. We know this because it always is!

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Flames rise into the Friday night skies at another successful Vintage Torquefest event at the Dubuque County Fairgrounds, taking their total donations to children's charity to over \$100,000.



Some of the cast of Dubuque Senior High School's 2021 musical Xanadu celebrates the end of a successful run!



Galena Cellars boasts the Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting for their new home in downtown Galena at 111 Main St. after 15 years just down the road.



Dubuque Summer Farmers' Market is back in action on Iowa Street Saturday mornings in downtown Dubuque and by all accounts, it's clearly for the birds!



The voices of Iowa Hawkeye Football, Gary Dolphin and Ed Podolac, share a beverage and probably talk shop at Dolph's own Iron Bar in Dubuque's Millwork District.



On a cool night in East Dubuque, veteran rockers Big Mojo keep the party going at Jimmy's during the first night of the East Dubuque Cruisin' Thursdays classic car show, which continues through Summer.



This fuzzy little fella wasn't born yesterday. He was born today on Steven Schleuning's Farm near Galena, IL. And he's already asking mama what's for dinner?



Pearly Baker, a Dubuque based Grateful Dead Tribute Band, lights up in the outdoor beer garden behind Odd Fellow's Bar in downtown Dubuque.



These lovely ladies brought the whole Churchill Downs look to the Kentucky Derby watch party at the Yardarm Bar at the Dubuque Marina on Dubuque's North End.



The completely remodeled and reimagined Offshore Hotel and Resort celebrates its re-opening with a friends and family test run in Bellevue, IA. Wow!



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Paul’s Tavern

By Rich Belmont and Bryce Parks

Dubuque365 started in an attic on Bluff Street just a stone’s throw from Paul’s Tavern, or Paul’s Big Game Tap as some still call it. So for us, goin’ to Paul’s will always be synonymous with “takin’ out the trash,” because if we did that household chore, when we got to the curb, we were just a Hartig’s parking lot away from Paul’s front door and, well... we’ve got time for a scoop and a burger, right? It’s the basics of bar food. And when it comes to bar food, you can’t get more basic than the legendary Paul’s Tavern on Locust St. between 1st and 2nd St. in Dubuque. And that’s just about perfect.

This bar has been operating continuously for 73 years now. The Tavern opened in 1948 and was purchased by Paul Schollmeyer on Aug. 3, 1949. Paul developed a reputation for serving good beer and burgers. He was also known for his fishing and hunting expeditions. During the 1950s and 1960s, he went on many big game excursions and brought back impressive trophies. Several of these are still exhibited in glass cases mounted on the walls and even the ceiling of the tavern. For example, there are displays of a bighorn sheep from Montana, a white-tailed deer from Saskatchewan, a grizzly bear and wolverine from British Columbia, and a polar bear shot north of the Arctic Circle. All of these animals were taken years before there were any government restrictions on big game hunting. Paul continued to visit the tavern

when he was not in his winter home in Brownsville, TX for years. He passed here in Dubuque at age 90 in 2018.

Tom Koch took over the tavern in 1993. He was a manager at McDonald’s for the previous 14 years and decided to try running his own place. He was already tending bar a couple of nights a week and knew many of the regular customers. Some of them asked him to keep the bar the way it was and not change a thing. Obviously, Tom took that advice. The animals are still on display, there are still only five tables and 16 bar stools, and although they are closed on Mondays, they are open every other day except Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. He did remodel the entrance and facade of the bar, losing the glass block that once adorned the front wall around the windows, and added an accessible ramp so now everyone can enjoy Paul’s burgers through the front door. One more thing that has changed is the price of the burgers. In 1943 they cost 25 cents, and today they’re up to \$3.75. How boujee!

Another thing that hasn’t changed is the way the hamburgers are cooked. When this bar first opened, a Broilator manufactured by the now-defunct Norge Company was installed. This gas-fired countertop broiler contains a very well-seasoned cast iron griddle. The cook places burgers on this plate and pulls a lever that positions the plate between the top and bottom flames. The meat is cooked at a high temperature and does not have to be flipped. The Broilator has been cooking over 100 hamburgers a day for over 70 years! The griddle only holds eight burgers, so when the bar is busy you have to wait your turn. Nobody complains, though, because the wait is well worth it.

Walking into Paul’s Tavern is like stepping back in time. It’s also an exercise in getting back to simple,

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Important Dates:
June 14 – August 7: Summer Reading Challenge
June 1 at 6pm, **June 3** at 1pm: How to use ReadSquared Zoom classes
May 1 – 30: Registration for the first 4 weeks of summer programs and classes
June 10 – 12: Pick-up supplies for events happening June 14 – July 10
June 14: Register for the Summer Reading Challenge and start logging minutes!
June 30: Deadline to register for second 4 weeks of summer events
July 8 – 10: Pick-up prizes earned during the first 4 weeks
July 8 – 10: Pick-up supplies for events happening July 12 – August 7
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- Holy Cross - 895 Main Street, 563-870-2082
- NICC/Peosta - 8342 NICC Dr., 563-556-5110 ext. 224



uncomplicated eating. The menu is the same for lunch and dinner, and it features only five items and really those are variations on three items. They are a beef burger, cheeseburger, ham sandwich, hot ham and cheese, and tuna salad, all priced between \$3.50 and \$3.75. You can have any cheese you want on your cheeseburger as long as what you want is American cheese.

And you have your choice of burger toppings, too. Would you like bacon, lettuce, and maybe some avocado? Tough nuggets. You can ask for ketchup, mustard, pickle, and onion, but they will grill those onions for you. That's all you need on these burgers anyway. In fact, there is a sign next to the Broilator that reads "This is not Burger King. You don't get it your way. You take it my way or you don't get the darned thing." Fair enough! The burgers are excellent! The quarter pounders are made fresh every day from a 90/10 blend of ground beef. The only seasonings used are salt and pepper, and then the Broilator works its magic.

The result is a truly extraordinary burger. So much so, it has earned Paul's Tavern a listing in *Hamburger America, A State By State Guide to 150 Great Burger Joints* by George Motz. Some people consider this book to be the definitive guide to the great hamburger bars across the United States.

There are no fries in this place. Heck, there aren't any prepared sides at all. They once had soups in the winter and mayo-based salads in the summer, but the city came in and said they had to put in a whole fancy expensive kitchen in order to make chicken noodle soup and potato salad. So quite naturally, Paul's said nuts to that nonsense and simply stopped serving those items. So now the offerings are more straightforward than ever. But you can have a side of chips, pretzels, peanuts, or fresh-popped popcorn. They have about 20 varieties of chips available

and let's be honest, that's practically a salad. Would you like dessert? Absolutely! You can have a candy bar. Or maybe a White Claw. That's dessert, right?

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Important notes: There is no in-person or virtual meeting for this program. May 14 is simply the due date to register for bean seeds to be mailed to you. The variety of bean selected for the program is a pole bean type. This means you will need to provide a trellis for support to keep the bean plants off the ground.

INTRODUCTION TO SOURDOUGH BREAD WITH BEN

PART 1: CREATING AND CARING FOR A STARTER



WEDNESDAY, MAY 19 @ 6:30–7 PM
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How Can You Be In Two Places At Once When You Are Not Anywhere At All

By Bob Gelms

It has been three years or so since I began having the urge to write about one of the two or three most influential books in the history of mankind. I have read all three, the other two being the *Bible* and the *Qur'an*. The third one hit me like a ball-peen hammer to the forehead. It is the *Tao Te Ching* by Lao Tzu. An approximate pronunciation is Dow Tay Jing by Lao ("loud" but don't pronounce the "D") and Tzu (tzoo) pronounce the word zoo with a "T" in front

Lao Tzu was a Chinese philosopher and a teacher. There is an apocryphal story about how the *Tao* came to be written down. He grew tired of the town he lived in. The people didn't pay too much attention to his teaching, and if they did, they always expected him to solve their problems. So, he left for the mountains, but when he got to the border, the guard recognized him as the Master Lao Tzu. The guard wouldn't let him pass until he wrote down his teachings so the people would not forget. That is how the written version of the *Tao Te Ching* came to be.

Never has there been so much communicated by using so little. A whole segment of Chinese philosophy has been based on this one small book. A religion was founded, Taoism, which certainly would not have been welcomed by Lao Tzu and neither would the fact that he is worshiped as a God all because of a book that is only 5,000 words or Chinese characters long.

The *Tao Te Ching* consists of 81 chapters/sections/stories/sayings. It was written or compiled and published about 400 BC (BCE). It was finally published in English in 1868.

Let us start with the great secret of the *Tao Te Ching*. "What is a good man but a bad man's teacher? What is a bad man but a good man's job? If you don't understand this, you will get lost however intelligent you are. It is the great secret."

That I know of, there are at least six translations of the *Tao Te Ching* in English. None of them can compare to the translation done by Stephen Mitchell in 1988. It is

the only one that matters. I shall provide an example.

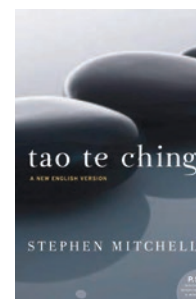
The most famous quote from the *Tao* goes like this: "The journey of a thousand miles starts with one step." That right there is a firm grasp of the obvious. Not very poetic or even all that memorable as a pithy rendition of a shorthand example of what the *Tao* can do for you. The 5,000 Chinese ideograms making up the original text has proven notoriously difficult to express in English. I am told by people far smarter than I that Mr. Mitchell's translation comes closest to capturing the spirit and intent of Lao Tzu's great book. To wit, "The journey of a thousand miles starts from beneath your feet." Much, much, much, better.

He says he has but three things to teach: simplicity, patience, and compassion. He comments, "Some say my teaching is nonsense. Others call it lofty but impractical. But to those who have looked inside themselves, this nonsense makes perfect sense. And to those who put it into practice, this loftiness has roots that go deep."

This short book will reap rewards beyond compare. It is the way to enlightenment, the way to happiness and joy, the way to gather up all the love you can find and pass it along to others.

The *Tao Te Ching* by Lao Tzu is like nothing you have ever or will ever read. It's not a religion as Lao Tzu envisioned it. There are no priests. There are no churches. There are no ardent pleas for money. There is only the way to true enlightenment, and you can find it inside yourself.

I guarantee a good time will be had by all who take this path. The journey you take will go from your inner mind to the outer limits. ■



What’s Your Sleep Score?

By Matt Booth

Do you know?

How much sleep did you get last night? How much do you need? To be a positive person, I need to average seven hours of quality sleep per night. I get a sleep score each morning from my smart-watch. Last night, I received a sleep score of 81.

If you are like many people, you don’t know your sleep score from last night, and you might not even know what a sleep score is. Your sleep score is meant to provide you with an overview of how well you’re sleeping on a daily basis. It’s calculated according to multiple factors, including your total sleep time, sleep quality, and sleep efficiency.

According to the CDC, more than a third of American adults are not getting enough sleep on a regular basis. The American Academy of Sleep Medicine and the Sleep Research Society recommend that adults aged 18–60 years sleep at least seven hours each night to promote optimal health and well-being. Sleeping less than seven hours per day is associated with an increased risk of developing chronic conditions

such as obesity, diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke, and frequent mental distress.

Sleep is the Swiss Army Knife of health. Getting enough sleep is vital for your overall well-being. When you sleep, your body is resting and repairing itself. While you sleep, your body works to support healthy brain function and maintain your physical health.

When you do not get enough sleep, you feel tired, you find it hard to concentrate and remember things, and you may be grumpy. When I don’t get enough sleep, I get edgy and irritable. Not getting enough sleep affects my attitude big time, the way I feel, think, work, learn, and get along with other people.

Have you ever said, “I’m too busy to sleep,” or “I’ll sleep when I’m dead”? Some people wear sleep deprivation like a badge of honor. No one seems to have enough time. Unfortunately, many people are sacrificing sleep to save time.

If you want to be a more positive person, try monitoring your sleep for the next 30 days. A great place to start is figuring out how much sleep you need per night and paying attention to your sleep score. You will be surprised how a good sleep score relates to a positive attitude. ■

“If you spent as much time working on the skills to improve your attitude as you do talking about how important attitude is, you’d be the most positive person in the world.” —Matt Booth



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Simple Sides

By Hy-Vee Nutritionists Megan Horstman (Asbury) and Amy Cordingley (Locust)

The days are getting longer and the weather is heating up, which means one thing. It’s grilling season. Set aside your slow cooker and casserole dishes and shift your sights toward spring. When you’re cooking dinner on the grill, meat tends to be the focus of the meal. Make sure to include fruits and vegetables as side dishes to balance out whatever you have cooking on the grill.

When you’re planning a picnic or grill out, the key is to keep it simple. An easy way to create a balanced meal is to include three to five different food groups. The Melon, Radish and Cucumber Salad featured below includes fruits and vegetables that will complement whatever protein you have cooking on the grill.

This salad is the perfect combination of sweet and smooth from the melons, with a crisp freshness from the cucumber and a subtle interesting spice only a radish can provide. Melons boast high values of vitamins A and C as well as folate and potassium. Foods rich in vitamin C make a great pairing with grilled meat, such as chicken or steak, because vitamin C helps you absorb the iron in the meat.

Another benefit of this salad? It will help you stay hydrated. Melons have a high water content. As the name implies, watermelon is 92 percent water. Including cantaloupe, watermelon, and honeydew in your spring and summer meals is a great way to give your daily fluid intake a boost.

For more simple side dish recipes and help with meal planning, connect with your local Hy-Vee dietitian on our new virtual nutrition services platform. Go to **hy-vee.com** > Health & Pharmacy tab > Dietitians and schedule a complimentary Discovery Session to learn more about how we can help make your life easier, healthier, and happier. ■

Melon, Radish and Cucumber Salad

SERVES 6

Ingredients

- 2 tbsp fresh lime juice
- 2 tsp Hy-Vee honey
- 1 tbsp finely chopped fresh mint, plus additional for garnish
- 1 (2-lbs.) honeydew melon
- 1 (2-lbs.) cantaloupe
- 1 (2-lbs.) seedless watermelon
- 1 medium cucumber
- ½ cup thinly sliced radishes



Directions

1. Combine lime juice, honey and chopped mint in a small bowl for lime dressing; set aside.
2. Cut honeydew, cantaloupe and watermelon in half; remove and discard seeds. Scoop flesh with a sharp 1-inch melon baller. Cut cucumber into ribbons using a vegetable peeler.
3. Place melon, cucumber and radish slices in a large bowl. Pour lime dressing over top. Cover and chill at least 30 minutes before serving. Stir mixture and, if desired, garnish with mint leaves.

Recipe source: **hy-vee.com**





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THU 5/13

Enchanted Forest Hike
9 AM–4:30 PM @ SWISS VALLEY PRESERVE (PEOSTA, IA)
May 13–14. The fairies and gnomes have been busy building their whimsical homes among the woodland trails. Tiptoe quietly as to not disturb them when they are crafting their eccentric masterpieces. Self-guided hike at your own pace. Free. 563-556-6745. facebook.com/dubuquecountyconservation.

SAT 5/15



Star Gazing
8:30 PM @ GALENA TERRITORY OWNERS' CLUB (GALENA, IL)
Check out the stars and night objects with a telescope, and feel free to bring your own. All ages. 2000 Territory Dr, Galena, IL. 815-777-2000. TheGalenaTerritory.com.

SUN 5/23

Citizens Science Workshop
10 AM @ SWISS VALLEY NATURE PRESERVE (PEOSTA, IA)
Learn how to do your own citizen science projects including butterfly tagging, pollinator monitoring, water testing, bluebird house monitoring, and adopt a trail, prairie, or woodlot. Free. 13606 Swiss Valley Rd. facebook.com/dubuquecountyconservation.

Children's Spring "Birthday" Party
11 AM–2 PM @ DUBUQUE ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDENS
See page 8 for details.

FRI 6/11



Cooking Class: Make and Take Cookies
6–7:15 PM @ GALENA ARC (GALENA, IL)
Kids age 9–14 will make two varieties of cookie dough,

Funfetti and scotcharoos, to take home to slice, bake, and share with their families. Instructed by Lynn Kaufman. \$35. 11084 W HWY 20, Galena, IL. 815-777-2248. GalenaARC.org.

SAT 6/12



Family Fun Art Days
1–5 PM @ GALENA ARC
The whole family can spend time together creating fair houses out of natural elements, like wood slabs, pinecones, nut shells, sticks, moss and bark. You have the option of displaying your family fairy house on the Belden School Fairy Walk. Free. facebook.com/GalenaARC.

SAT 6/19

Woodland Fairy Garden Walk
10 AM–2 PM @ BELDEN SCHOOL TRAILS (GALENA, IL)
Featuring handcrafted fairy garden houses created from

the surrounding woodland materials. Don't miss the special tent for children to create their own fairy wand for a \$5 suggested donation. Proceeds benefit the Richard Peterson EMT Endowment Fund. Participants will have to walk moderately uneven and mulch-covered trails. Belden School Preservation Committee will host an open house at Belden School during the walk. Volunteer docents will greet visitors with stories of the one-room schoolhouse. 52 Heatherdowns Ln, Galena, IL. 815-777-2000. TheGalenaTerritory.com.

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A Murder-Suicide in the Family

By Pam Kress-Dunn

Years ago, I wrote a poem titled “How My Cousin Nancy Died.” I knew only that her husband had shot her, and her pianist, and then himself—a double-murder-suicide. (She had a pianist because she was a singer. Her husband evidently suspected an affair.) I was 16 when it happened and so was Nancy’s oldest child, Penny. They lived in Ohio, but I knew Penny from a Christmas visit with my aunt years before.

After, the tragedy, they visited again, the orphaned child, the bereft grandmother. I remember inviting her to the drive-in with seven of my friends, all of us scrunched into my dad’s station wagon. The movie was a horror show; I felt guilty for making her watch a film full of menace and death. She’d had enough of that, although we didn’t talk about it. I imagine my aunt sat up after the kids went to bed to talk with my dad (her brother) and mom, trying to make sense of it. Or maybe there was no sense to be made of it, only tears and comfort.

I wrote the poem to understand the tragedy. By then, I had divorced my own violent husband who had threatened me with his gun. It opened with these lines: “Everything we knew was second-hand,/ our response, long-distance.” A few lines later, I tried to set the scene: “Years later,/ in a dream, I reconstruct/ that evening. The grand piano,/ the lovely woman,/ motes of dust/ in warm yellow light, expectant.”

I thought it happened when she and her accompanist were rehearsing in a music room. More lines followed: “Then silence, or shouts,/ we never knew, as her husband enters./ He has a gun, and he uses it once, twice,/ finally on himself.” I wondered what they said, whether he “dangled mercy/ for a moment before/ their startled eyes.” None of us would ever know.

Nancy was 17 years older than me, and I hardly remember her, but I heard about her talent. We had a picture she painted, a sparkling likeness of a fish. Her family went fishing, and she stayed behind to paint, showing them when they returned with their catch, “I caught a fish, too!” I knew she sang, but never heard her. She was a pretty child, a beautiful woman.

When I began hunting the facts of my family tree, there was a branch missing. I could find no death record in the Social Security records for Nancy, who had long since changed her first name to Nancee and her last to her husband’s. I knew they had five children but could only remember a few of their names. Originally, I thought there were six, and I had to change the last line after Penny set me straight, later on, to “Three deaths,/ five orphans.” She told me they were all thriving as adults, but I could not bring myself to ask her anything more.

The other day I went back to my family tree, resuming the search for details. Though I had filled in many names, Nancee remained a mystery. So I called my favorite reference librarian, my daughter Allison, at the Davenport Public Library. She found it all, in record time. Not only did she send me both Nancee and



NANCY BAILEY, AGE 12

Steve’s death records, she contacted the library in Ohio where the murders happened. And just like that, I had an article from the April 1969 *Dayton Daily News*.

The poem had missed so much. Nancee and Steve were “estranged,” the paper said. She had performed old standards at several clubs. I learned their names: The Gilded Plume, The Rhino, The Windjammer, The Pink Pussycat. One club owner recalled her audition. “She was not just good, she was great, a natural. And she always came on like the happiest girl in the world, even when things were going miserably for her.” This man had been beaten by Steve, after walking Nancee to her car following a show. He told the police, “He beat the hell out of me.”

To support her children, she worked a day job in marketing and sang at clubs at night. The murder-suicide took place at the home of a musician who sometimes played accordion with her, when they stopped at his place for sheet music late one night. He was not killed, as I’d believed, only wounded in the right arm and left ear. He must have recounted the event for the police, but the article had no quotes from him. He’s probably gone by now, taking his secrets with him.

Fifty years after it happened, it feels like a punch in the stomach. Now I know—how many kids, how many dead, where and when it happened. I know why, because I have been there. When I was 16 and heard the news, it felt foreign, not only something that happened far away but something I never dreamed could happen to me. My poem counts the dead and the orphaned, then ends this way: “countless ripples on the still, wide pool/ still breaking the shore.” Originally, I added two words at the end: “demanding answers.” I know better now. What is demanded isn’t answers, but attention, and resistance. This must not happen again. ■

PAM KRESS-DUNN

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PUZZLE ANSWERS ON PAGE 38

WHERE'S GENERAL BOB?

General Bob is out and about. Do you know where he's at?

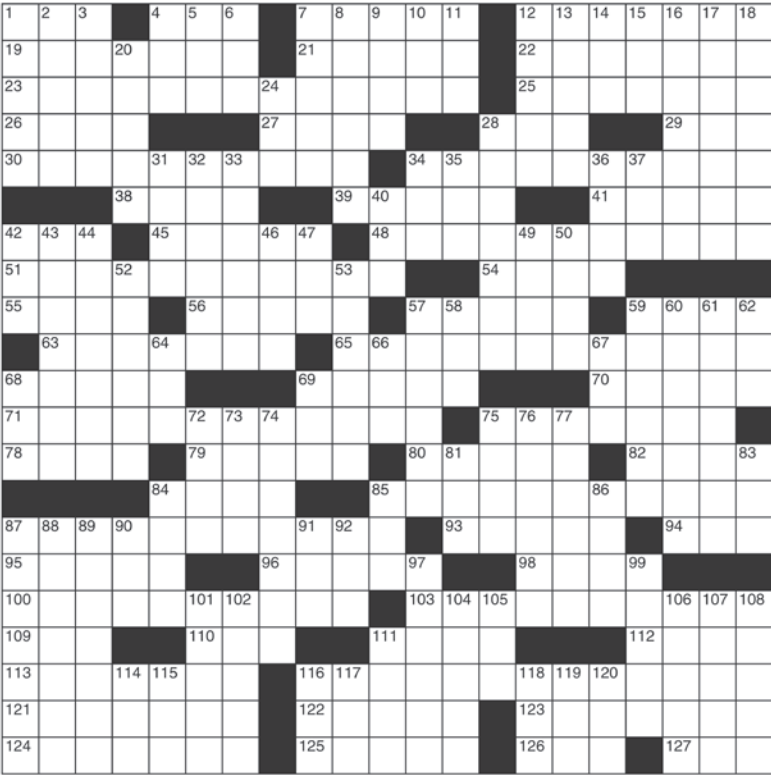


PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

TWELVE OF DIAMONDS ACROSS

- 1 "— Sharkey" ('70s sitcom)
- 4 Winter bug
- 7 Corn, to Brits
- 12 SoCal daily paper
- 19 Mammal with a black mask
- 21 Cook's wear
- 22 Ant-Man's partner in a 2018 superhero film
- 23 Oakland baseballer's footwear?
- 25 Boarded, as a train
- 26 Langston Hughes poem
- 27 Stuff hitting an umbrella
- 28 Fa-la linkup
- 29 Coop female
- 30 Calamari prepared by a San Francisco baseballer?
- 34 Atlanta baseballer's collection of Kia cars?
- 38 Son of Isaac
- 39 Watch slyly
- 41 — Park (home of Edison)
- 42 Attys.' gp.
- 45 "Scorpio" co-star Delon
- 48 Chicago baseballer moonlighting as a journalist?
- 51 Detroit baseballer's Easter flowers?
- 54 Vaping item
- 55 Designer von Fürstenberg
- 56 Like many tiny headphones
- 57 Put the — (try to coerce)
- 59 Oomph
- 63 Gold lumps
- 65 Money owed by a Washington baseballer?
- 68 Tether again
- 69 Actor Quinn
- 70 OshKosh — (kids' clothing brand)
- 71 What a Minnesota baseballer sleeps on?
- 75 Enormous
- 78 Latin "to be"
- 79 Litigious sorts
- 80 Taunt
- 82 Article in Ulm
- 84 Pioneer Boone, briefly
- 85 Cincinnati baseballer's chewy candy?
- 87 Something a St. Louis baseballer confesses?
- 93 "Oh My My" singer Ringo
- 94 Ending with cash
- 95 Kitchen range brand
- 96 Warhol and Roddick
- 98 Pixar's lost swimmer
- 100 Kansas City baseballer's toast topper?
- 103 Pennant won by a Pittsburgh baseballer?



- 109 President pro —
- 110 Right-angled pipe joint
- 111 Sleek, in brief
- 112 1993 Nobelism Morrison
- 113 Some wind players
- 116 Florida baseballer's rod-and-reel activity?
- 121 Web page for aficionados
- 122 Figure skating leaps
- 123 Sideways
- 124 Felt hats
- 125 Dog strap
- 126 Single bill
- 127 "Nuts" actor Wallach
- 18 Subsidize
- 20 Exact copy
- 24 Grand — (wine type)
- 28 Riviera resort
- 31 Old autocrat
- 32 — Mae (loan offerer)
- 33 Charmingly old-fashioned
- 34 Sch. in Provo
- 35 Pilfer from
- 36 Smelly city air
- 37 Atop, in odes
- 40 Old IBM products
- 42 Noshed on
- 43 The top story
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- 49 MBA subj.
- 50 — colada
- 52 Motor
- 53 Some Muppet dolls
- 57 Just one little bite
- 58 — Tin Tin
- 59 More antsy
- 60 10th-century pope
- 61 Lack
- 62 Final degree
- 64 Sparkly rock
- 66 Spots on TV
- 67 16-oz. units
- 68 Numbered rd.
- 69 Pt. of ETA
- 72 Clumsy — ox
- 73 Skipjack, e.g.
- 74 Reveal everything
- 75 Grain in ale
- 76 South Korean airline
- 77 Confidential
- 81 Koch and Asner
- 83 Always, in odes
- 84 Old TV part
- 85 Letters after Sen. Javits' name
- 86 "It's either you —!"
- 87 Haul away
- 88 One-celled organisms
- 89 Actor Burr
- 90 Genetic stuff
- 91 Skit show since '75
- 92 Mount — (Charley Weaver's home)
- 97 Hexes
- 99 "King — Hill"
- 101 Volkswagen model
- 102 Somebody — problem
- 104 From Erin
- 105 Actor Ely
- 106 French river
- 107 Record of a single year
- 108 2003 Ben Affleck flop
- 111 Field of study
- 114 Pristyl lead-in
- 115 Tristan's title
- 116 Bad, to Luc
- 117 Hatchet, e.g.
- 118 "Alice" spinoff
- 119 Holm of film
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Refer to as an example

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Beethoven’s “Für —”

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“The Wizard of Oz” actor Bert

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Abu — (Persian Gulf emirate)

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3

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5

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6

Brits call it a “lift”

7

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8

Make pointy, as a pencil

9

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10

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11

This and —

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Tyke

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111

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Conceptis Sudoku #1

By Dave Green

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

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Conceptis Sudoku #2

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

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PUZZLES ON PAGES 36 AND 37

GENERAL BOB IS AT THE PORT OF DUBUQUE

Twelve of Diamonds

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F	A	N	S	I	T	E				A	X	E	L	S		L	A	T	E	R
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Take It Back

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

Conceptis Sudoku #2

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



DEAR GWEN.

A friend of mine had to reschedule her wedding due to Covid and now she's planning it the same Saturday as mine. I had save the dates out way before she did. We aren't best friends or anything, but we share a similar friend group and now people have to choose between her wedding and mine. What am I supposed to do now? How do I get her to change her date a second time? Why would she do this?

—Yours, Bride on the Brink

DEAR BRIDE ON THE BRINK.

You know, sometimes things don't make sense in this world. For example, there's no good reason why we don't have Bishop's anymore. Give me one good reason why we don't have Bishop's. Ulta could have gone anywhere! Maybe where Aeropostale was? I want beef sliced in front of me and slightly drying jello and soft serve ice cream and I want it now.

Give me one good reason why the Tesla logo looks like an IUD. You can't! There's no good reason. They didn't have to make it look exactly like an IUD.

All of this to say, what she did doesn't make sense, but we can't go expecting Bishop's to rise from its grave or call good ol' Elon and tell him to hire a new logo guy. We are not the king of Bishop's or Tesla and that's just that.

But I do have a solution to your problem. You let this go, you let people choose whose wedding to attend. Then you hike up that tulle and crash her wedding with your wedding. You're Tony Soprano and she's Johnny Sack. Have a sit down. Eat some ziti. Smoke a cigar. Use a bunch of contextless, hard-to-follow analogies that sound vaguely threatening, then stand up, say, "We're done here," and go cut your (her) cake. —xoxo Gwen

DEAR GWEN,

My mom planned a huge graduation party for me and I'll start by saying I'm so grateful. But when she asked me to come over and help plan, she'd pulled out all these old, godawful, embarrassing photos from when I was in junior high and high school. I mean, they're horrible. Oversized Hawaiian shirts and awful XXL nu metal band tees. I hadn't really nailed down my vibe at that point and I spent a lot of college and grad school trying to convince people I am (and was always) cool. What do I do? Do I ask my own mother to take down all these collages she made of me? Or do I suck it up and understand that my cool, grown up friends will finally see I was a total idiot until about 5 years ago?

—Cool Guy on Clarke Drive

DEAR COOL GUY ON
CLARKE DRIVE,

Through at least junior high, the only way I could tell right from left was because I could do the Vulcan salute with my left hand, but not my right. I sat in class for approximately 8-10 years Vulcan saluting, unprompted, with no explanation to anyone and for presumably no reason. The shame came later.

I bet you felt alright in that enormous Papa Roach shirt until you looked back on it.

I have nothing else to say and no loose ends to tie and I haven't fully coped with my Vulcan saluting, but don't upset your mother this soon after Mother's Day.
—xoxo Gwen

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By Danny Fairchild, Friend to the Cosmos

ARIES
(APR 19–MAY 13)
Run DMC tried to tell you that it's tricky to rock a rhyme that's right on time. But you just refused to listen.

TAURUS
(MAY 14–JUNE 19)
The king, however, was another subject. Think about that for a while. See what I did there? Deep, huh?

GEMINI
(JUNE 20–JULY 20)
People remember your failures way more than your successes. So if you want to be remembered... just keep doing what you're doing.

CANCER
(JULY 21–AUG 9)
Ulysses S. Grant was almost certainly a better drunk than you. But it's just as certain that you would be AT LEAST as good of president as him. So why the hell hasn't Galena given YOU a house?

LEO
(AUG 10–SEP 15)
We can all agree that war profiteering is bad, right? So it's probably a good thing that your Desert Storm trading cards will likely NEVER increase in value.

VIRGO
(SEP 16–OCT 30)
I hate to piss on your fantasies, but sex in a hot tub, pool, or indeed ANY body of water is a TERRIBLE idea for everyone involved.

LIBRA
(OCT 31–NOV 22)
I'm sorry, but Jell-O has no plans to bring back pudding pops any time soon.

SCORPIO
(NOV 23–NOV 29)
That "dealer warranty" that has been "about to expire" for years will finally do so, putting an end to both the spam phone calls and the carnage.

OPHIUCHUS
(NOV 30–DEC 17)
Ditch your spirit animal and get you a mascot. Spirit animals don't have slam dunk contests.

SAGITTARIUS
(DEC 18–JAN 8)
The "Yo Dawg" memes seemed ridiculous. Until, that is, they heard we like appetizers and mobile applications, so they put apps in our apps so we can order our order.

CAPRICORN
(JAN 9–FEB 15)
You will discover a new kind of anxiety: binging an old favorite sitcom, hoping it doesn't get too racist or homophobic.

AQUARIUS
(FEB 16–MAR 11)
A recent study suggests that funny men give more orgasms. So, uh...hey there. 'Sup?

PISCES
(MAR 12–APR 18)
The only conspiracy going on here is how recipe writers intentionally decrease the amount of garlic they actually use because they know you'll just add more anyway. Bastards.

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