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All bacon served semi-crispy.

I was making the ad for the Otherside's upcoming lunch specials and saw that they were doing baked Chilean sea bass, and while I quite enjoy Chilean sea bass, it took my brain off in another direction, remembering that Chilean sea bass sounds great and tastes great, but part of that is due to good marketing. That's because far fewer people would be in love with it if they called it by its original name, the Patagonian toothfish.

In the 1970s, consumers, in response to studies attesting to the health benefits associated with eating fish, started eating a LOT of it due to healthy fats and superior-quality protein. Tuna and snapper were then overfished. So the fishing industry enterprisingly renamed a number of common, but less commonly eaten, varieties to suit public taste and meet demand.

Take the slimehead fish for example. You might find you love it as orange roughy. Sorry, did I just ruin your reality? Sometimes Pacific rockfish is passed off as Atlantic snapper. Those scoundrels!

Have you heard of sweetbreads? We're not talking about laden donuts here but what the French call *ris de veau*. Sounds like a delicacy right? Well, they're actually the thymus gland of, usually, calves. George Washington's favorite food was reportedly a pie filled with sweetbreads. Well, he's dead so you see where that got him!

Likewise, a few "cheeses" are not cheese at all, but the edible bits from animals heads. Can you feel the bile tickling the back of your throat yet? I know the guys on our farm used to like head cheese once upon a time, but that was a generation earlier, and I think we've all evolved a bit since then. The genre of cooking is now called "nose to tail" (because we hate to be wasteful these days). The food is made from the head of a pig, calf, cow, or lamb. No tail, I guess. Bummer. They do the same with fish, and it's more appealingly called a galantine. I thought Galentine's Day was the day before Valentine's Day for showing love to your besties. In this case, it's boned fish that is pressed and served cold in aspic, which is itself a yummy jelly made with meat stock. Me first!

Spotted Dick is, of course, the name of a traditional British steamed pudding made from suet and dried fruit. I don't think any name could make that sound tasty.

Mainland oysters are testicles from bulls, pigs, or sheep. Deep fried, sometimes pounded flat, this dish is found in areas where livestock ranching is common. You likely know Rocky Mountain Oysters. How well do YOU know them?

A Pope's Nose is basically the butt end of the chicken. It's that triangular thing that some cooks have been saving to eat themselves before serving a whole roast chicken to everyone else. All yours, my friend!



YOUR BEAUTIFUL CHILEAN SEA BASS

Crayfish is big in Cajun cooking and where big pot ol' pot of them are boiled with potatoes, corn, and boudin (which looks unappetizing but is actually quite tasty). They're probably less loved as the Mudbugs they once were. Poor little ugly guys. You'd think we'd call them micro lobsters of something trendy like that.

Some foods are just gross by any name no matter if you change the name or not.

Durian is called the "King of Fruits." It is distinctive for its large size, strong odor, and thorn-covered rind. Some people regard the durian as having a pleasantly sweet fragrance, whereas others find the aroma overpowering and unpleasant. The smell evokes reactions from deep appreciation to intense disgust and has been described variously as rotten onions, turpentine, and raw sewage. I'll have the melon medley instead, please.

How about a nice century egg. The Chinese culinary dish is made by preserving duck, chicken, or quail eggs in a mixture of clay, ash, salt, quicklime, and rice hulls for several weeks to several months, depending on the method of processing. Through the process, the yolk becomes a dark green to grey color, with a creamy consistency and strong flavor due to the hydrogen sulfide and ammonia present, while the white becomes a dark brown, translucent jelly with a salty flavor. Nope... nope.

And Casy Martzu is a traditional Sardinian sheep milk cheese that contains live insect larvae. Yep, maggot cheese. And, goodnight!

Why did I bring all of this up? Because it's disgusting, off-putting, and best avoided by distraction. And it was a more fun way of making you feel queezy and upset than to bring up the rash of mass shootings of late which should make you feel the same way. When 90 percent of Americans support universal background checks (don't take my word for it, look it up!) to buy a gun and it's still not law, the system is severely broken. It's broken by money and power... and more money. And that should make you feel as sick as a nice slimehead with a side of head cheese.

Maybe we just need to give gun safety laws better names that read more palatable, like Freedom Decrees or Patriot Statutes. Then we can all enjoy them together. Those of us who are still here anyway. ■

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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, Food Truck Friday takes place on select Fridays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., May through September.

Vendors vary by month and include Birds. Fried Chicken, Buenie Bottoms Grill, Candle Ready Cakes, Crepe Iron, Dinger's D'Lites, Little Wolf Farms Drink Truck, Magoo's Pizza, and Rockin 5k BBQ.

This year's musical lineup includes Ralph Kluseman on June 10, TBA on July 8, John Moran on Aug. 19, and Joie Wails on Sept. 9. Live music is sponsored by *365ink Magazine*.

Please note that schedules, vendors, and details may be subject to change. For more information, visit TravelDubuque.com. ■



Galena Pride Picnic

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 @ NOON-5 PM

GRANT PARK (625 PARK AVE, GALENA, IL)

Galena's 2nd Annual Pride Picnic brings a variety of family-friendly pride activities to Grant Park on Saturday, June 11 from noon to 5 p.m. The celebration includes live music, a family friendly drag show, tai chi class, a goat meet and greet with Hoof It, lawn games, family activities, food and drink, vendors, and more. All are welcome to join in the festivities.

Sarah Lentini and Kara Gordon provide live music from noon to 3 p.m. followed by the drag show featuring Anna Mae, Cynthia Mooseknuckle, Sage Umbra, Elektra SuperNova, and Scylla Kone.

The City of Galena continues to evolve as a safe space for all LGBTQ+ people. The Galena Pride Picnic is committed to encouraging LGBTQ+ tourism through building alliances within the City of Galena and surrounding areas, as well as advocating cooperation and support from all who value diversity and inclusion. Sponsored by the Galena Public Library.

For more information, contact Jenna Diedrich at **815-777-0200** or visit GalenaLibrary.org or facebook.com/GalenaPridePicnic. ■



Brett Young

WITH SPECIAL GUEST CHRIS LANE

THURSDAY, JUNE 16 @ 7 PM

FIVE FLAGS ARENA (405 MAIN ST)

Discover Brett Young's "Caliville" sound (West Coast-meets-Southern) and honest lyrics at the Five Flags Arena on Thursday, June 16 at 7 p.m.

With an undeniable string of hits and two albums defined by a transcendent romantic spark, Young has cemented his status as country's master in matters of the heart. He was named ASCAP's 2018 Country Songwriter-Artist of the Year for his "melodic craftsmanship" (*Billboard*) and has also garnered nominations from ACM, Billboard, Teen Choice, CMT and CMA Awards. Racking seven consecutive No. 1 hits, *Rolling Stone* deemed Young "one of country's most consistent radio stars."

Special Guest Chris Lane boasts three No. 1 hits: the Platinum "Big, Big Plans," 2X Platinum "I Don't Know About You," and Platinum "Fix."

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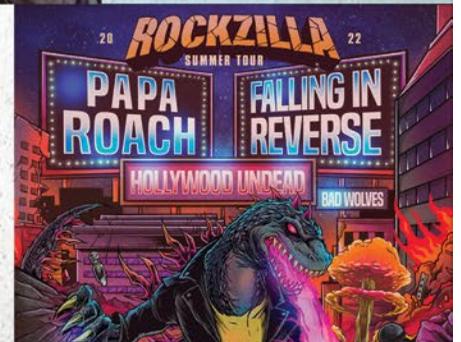


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JUNE 17-19

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Shake out your blankets, grab the kids, and head to Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa in the Galena Territory for the 20th Annual Great Galena Balloon Race. Three days of family fun on June 17-19 host Night Glow, a classic car show, art show, balloon rides, and, of course, the balloon race!

The first race begins Friday night at 5 p.m. followed by Saturday and Sunday morning at the "Crack of Dawn," when the hot air balloon pilots launch at 5:30 a.m. and try to find a mark that's hidden somewhere on the 6,800 acres of the Galena Territory. When it's found, the pilot drops a weight as close to the target as possible to win the grand prize and bragging rights. Friday and Saturday wrap up with the Night Glow Extravaganza at 8:30 p.m.

Live music begins at 5:30 p.m. with Joie Wails on Friday and The Wundo Band



on Saturday. Both nights feature inflatable rides for the kids. On Saturday, there will be a classic car show at 6 p.m. and the Great Galena Art Sale from 5 to 9 p.m. with original works from regional artists.

The Great Galena Balloon Race's mission is to raise funds and awareness for type 1 diabetes. The event has raised more than \$350,000 for kids with diabetes since the event began in 2002.

Admission is \$5 at the gate, and the event is cash only. There is free parking and a shuttle to the site. No carry-ins. Schedule a hot air balloon ride by calling Galena On The Fly at **815-777-2747** or visit **BuyABalloonRide.com**.

For more information, visit **GreatGalenaBalloonRace.com**. ■

Juneteenth

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 @ NOON-3 PM
COMISKEY PARK (255 E 24TH ST)

The 12th annual Juneteenth Celebration commemorates 157 years of freedom and the ending of slavery in the United States. Join the Multicultural Family Center on Saturday, June 18 from noon to 3 p.m. at Comiskey Park for a free, family-friendly afternoon.

The event features Black-owned businesses, resource booths, dance and choir performances, DJ and



music, kids' activities, talent show (win up to \$200), and free food.

For more information, call the Multicultural Family Center at **563-582-3681** or visit **MFCdbq.org**. ■

The Clauson Family Show

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 @ 7 PM
OHWARD FINE ARTS CENTER
(1215 E PLATT ST, MAQUOKETA, IA)

The Clauson Family Music Show brings their spectacular production to the Ohnward Fine Arts Center in Maquoketa, IA on Saturday, June 18 at 7 p.m.

Cody, Brittney, and Brent Clauson, and their musical family from Wisconsin showcase a variety of music including '50s and '60s rock n roll, country, western, jazz, blues, swing, bluegrass, ragtime, and gospel. The action-packed show is filled with great live music, exciting routines, hilarious comedy, and fabulous costuming.



The Clauson Family Music Show is from Coloma, WI where they entertain regularly at Clauson's Barn Theatre.

Tickets are \$22 in advance or \$25 at the door for adults and \$13 in advance or \$15 at the door for students. Tickets can be purchased at the Ohnward Fine Arts Center box office, by calling **563-652-9815**, or at **OnwardFineArtsCenter.com**. ■

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Sensory Morning

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Saturday, June 25
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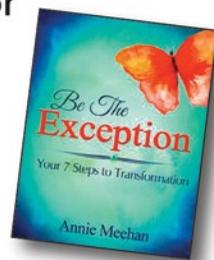
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Dubuque Pollinator Week

JUNE 20–26

Local organizations have partnered to host several free programs and events in celebration of National Pollinator Week from June 20 to 26. Pollinator Week has grown into an international celebration, promoting the valuable ecosystem services provided by bees, birds, butterflies, bats, and beetles. It's a time to celebrate pollinators and spread the word about what we can do to protect them. For the full schedule and more information, visit cityofdubuque.org/pollinatorweek.

Self-Guided Prairie Tour

TUESDAY, JUNE 21 @ 9 AM–NOON

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Enjoy a self-guided tour of the tallgrass prairie. Signs will be posted, and Program Assistant Mari Hammel will greet guests and provide plant identification materials. 3390 Windsor Ave.

Free Concert at Miller Riverview

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22 @ 4–7 PM

MILLER RIVERVIEW PARK

The National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium and the Multicultural Family Center (MFC) are jointly hosting a free concert at Miller Riverview Park. See more on page 37. 1851 Admiral Sheehy Dr.

Up Close: Exploring the Bee Branch Greenway through Macro Photography

THURSDAY, JUNE 23 @ 6:30–8 PM

BEE BRANCH CREEK GREENWAY

E 24TH ST. OVERLOOK

Ron and Jennifer Tigges of Digital Dubuque host a free class exploring the Bee Branch Creek Greenway and the importance of pollinators through macro photography. Kids and adults will learn alongside one another about macro photography and then practice snapping beautiful, up-close images of pollinators and their habitats. Ages 6 and up; ages 13 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Bring your own digital or smartphone camera. If you don't have a camera to bring with, let them know in advance so one can be provided for you.

7th Annual Summer Sustainability Fair

FRIDAY, JUNE 24 @ 5–7 PM

BEE BRANCH CREEK GREENWAY

Join Green Iowa AmeriCorps for its 7th annual Summer Sustainability Fair. Over 20 vendors will be showcasing how they promote sustainability in our community. Food will be available for purchase and Brion Bowman will be performing

live music. A large-scale pollinator-themed mural by local artists will be on display as well as electric vehicles!

Native Prairie Landscape Painting Class

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

BEE BRANCH CREEK GREENWAY

Local artists host a free all-ages landscape painting class. Come explore the greenway, create, and have fun!

StoryWalk at the Bee Branch Creek Greenway

To celebrate Pollinator Week, the Carnegie-Stout Public Library StoryWalk at the Bee Branch Creek Greenway will feature the children's book *The Thing About Bees: A Love Letter* by Shabazz Larkin. The StoryWalk starts at the flagpoles by the bus stop on E. 22nd St. then continues across the E. 22nd St. bridge. It follows the trail up to E. 24th St. and circles back ending at the play area with slides.

Read "A Swarm in May"

Celebrate Pollinator Week by reading *A Swarm in May* by Mark Anthony Powers. In his debut novel, this author and beekeeper weaves medical mystery, beekeeping, and lessons on systemic racism into a compelling page-turner. The Carnegie-Stout Public Library is offering *A Swarm in May* as a books-in-a-bag option for local book clubs. The e-book will also be available as a simultaneous checkout on Hoopla (free to all Carnegie-Stout Public Library cardholders).

Picture Perfect Pollinator Photo Contest

MONDAY, JUNE 20 - SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

To enter, like Sustainable Dubuque on Instagram or Facebook then post an original photo of a pollinator up close, pollinator-flower interaction, or pollinator landscapes using the hashtags #pictureperfectpollinator and #dbq. Winners will receive a prize package from the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium.

Dubuque Pollinator BioBlitz

MONDAY, JUNE 20 - SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

The Pollinator BioBlitz is a community effort to record as many pollinators as possible during Pollinator Week! If you can find a pollinator and take a picture of it, you can participate as a BioBlitz observer! Download the iNaturalist app on your mobile device, head outside, and snap as many photos of pollinators as possible including bees, butterflies, moths, beetles, hummingbirds, bats, wasps, flies, and more! Then, upload your photos to the iNaturalist app and share your observations. Join the project at inaturalist.org/projects and search for "Dubuque 2022 Pollinator BioBlitz" ■

FRI 6/10

Party on Purpose II
6 PM @ WARTBURG**THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

The benefit features special guest Iowa Hawkeye great Mavin McNutt, live music by 11 The Band, a video and autographed books from Dwier Brown (John Kinsella from Field of Dreams), silent auction, food, and beverages. The fundraiser for Almost Home raises money to help offset costs associated with the emergency shelter for homeless dads with their children. Free. 333 Wartburg Pl. **563-583-6572**. partyonpurpose.org.

Downtown Summer Nights6:30-10 PM @ DOWNTOWN
DYERSVILLE, IA

The area fire department battles it out during a waterball contest, participate in the Glow Run, hear The Beach Bums perform on 1st Ave., enjoy kids games,

food, and cold beverages. Free. **563-875-2311**. dyersville.org.

SAT 6/11

**Dubuque Area Little Free Libraries Bookworm Treasure Hunt**

10 AM-2 PM @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE
Take a self guided tour around Dubuque while visiting Little Libraries. Choose a book or two to take home and sign an apple at each stop. The Little Libraries' hosts will have special activities planned for your enjoyment. At 2:30 p.m., meet in front of the Dubuque Community School Forum (2300 Chaney Rd.) to meet some of the many local authors. There

will be craft projects to make, prizes to win, cookies and fun to be had. Participating Little Libraries include: 3053 Lemon St, 226 Julia Dr, 3466 Crestwood Dr, 1781 White St, 909 Spires Dr, 1655 Grandview Ave, 2307 Central Ave, 2300 Chaney Rd, 1275 Main St, 10284 Dixie Dr, 2494 Pearl St, 2512 Crissy Dr, 5165 Park Place, 1715 Scenic View, 1991 Golden Eagle Dr, and 725 Clark Dr. Free. **563-513-7776**. dbqlf172@gmail.com.

**Steve-O: The Bucket List Tour**

7 PM @ FIVE FLAGS

THEATER

Steve-O, one of the original stars of the *Jackass* TV and movie franchise, comes to Dubuque for the very first time to perform an adults-only comedy show. Every

idea on Steve-O's Bucket List was so ill-advised, he never expected to go through with any of them. Until it was time to prepare for this tour. Not only are the stunts more ridiculous than what you already know Steve-O for, he did them all, and made a highly XXX-rated, multimedia comedy show out of them. Not for kids, or for the faint of heart. Mature content. Ages 18+. \$35-\$100. 405 Main St. **563-589-4254**. FiveFlagsCenter.com.

SUN 6/12

**Ukrainian Relief Program**

1:30-3 PM @ DUBUQUE

MUSEUM OF ART

Violinists Hana Velde and Ann Duchow and soprano Hannah Von Mulert perform

Ukrainian folk music as well as works by composer Pyotr Tchaikovsky, whose family had Ukrainian roots, and composer Reinhold Gliere, whose music incorporates Ukrainian folk tunes. Donation will be used to support WCK's emergency food relief efforts. Free. 701 Locust St. **563-557-1851**. DBQart.org.

WED 6/15

The BIPOC Leader & Professional Collective Business Mixer5-7 PM @ MCCARTHY
CENTER

This month, hear from guest speakers from our health and wellness community. The monthly meeting ups are intended to connect Tri-State professionals with each other, various business organizations, and businesses. 700 S Locust, #195. **563-663-3342**. facebook.com/TheBIPOCCollective.

**She Unites: Seeing the Unseen: Invisible Diversity**

6-7:30 PM @ 7 HILLS

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In part two of the DEI series, Mariah Reeves and Abigail Lofte tackle the topic of Invisible Diversity. Not all differences are able to be seen on the surface, but how do we can we learn to be aware. Mariah currently serves as the associate principal and academic innovation coordinator at Wahlert Catholic High School. Abigail is a PhD candidate at the University of Toronto in the ology, an instructor at Clarke University, and a teacher in the Religion Department at Wahlert Catholic High School. Free. 1098 Jackson St. SheUnitesIowa.com.



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Solstice: A Trailside Dining Experience

TUESDAY, JUNE 21 @ 6–8:30 PM

HERITAGE TRAIL AT TWIN SPRINGS DR

The Dubuque County Food Policy Council invites you to celebrate the longest day of the year surrounded by nature, friends, and food at Solstice: A Trailside Dining Experience on Tuesday, June 21 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Located on Heritage Trail at Twin Springs, this farm-to-table event brings together farmers, restaurateurs, chefs, and local food supporters for a unique outdoor dining experience.

All tickets include a locally-sourced, three-course meal, beer, and wine. VIP ticket holders will receive access to a pre-event meet & greet with local producers and a fall CSA subscription that will keep your household stocked with local veggies well into the cooler months.

All proceeds from this event will be donated to local food organizations that provide education and programming that furthers the mission of the Dubuque County Food Policy Council.

In case of inclement weather, Solstice will move to Wednesday, June 22 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the same location.

Tickets are \$100 for GA and \$225 for VIP. To secure your seat or for more information, visit dbqlocalfoods-solstice.eventbrite.com or contact dbqlocalfoods@gmail.com. ■



DBQ Pride Family Picnic

SATURDAY, JUNE 25 @ NOON–3 PM

FIELD NEAR NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM (350 BELL ST)

Celebrate Pride Month with the Multicultural Family Center on Saturday, June 25 from noon to 3 p.m. The picnic will be at the field between Grand Harbor Resort and the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium in the Port of Dubuque.

The free event offers a free lunch, educational displays, resource booths, vendors, bounce houses, photo booth, music, and games. Bring the family down for an afternoon of fun.

For more information, call the Multicultural Family Center at **563-582-3681** or visit MFCdbq.org. ■

Corkless in Galena Wine Festival

SATURDAY, JUNE 25 @ NOON–6 PM

DEPOT PARK (91 BOUTHILLIER ST, GALENA, IL)

The Northern Illinois Wine Growers (NIWG) host a celebration of area winemaking, especially those made with locally-grown American hybrid grapes on Saturday, June 25 from noon until 6 p.m. in Depot Park in Galena, IL.

Featuring eight family and locally-owned northern Illinois wineries, six local artists will also be on site plus great food trucks and amazing live music from Miles Nielsen & the Rusted Hearts, Jordan Danielsen, and Jef Spradley. Both wine and art are available for purchase.

Parking is free, and seating is available under a covered tent. Attendees may bring their own chairs, small tents, or coverings (up to 10' x 10'). Well-behaved pets on leashes are welcome.

Tickets are available for \$20 and includes five tasting tickets for wine or food. Each pre-order ticket purchased through June 22 will provide you with an additional \$5 voucher which is good towards the purchase of a bottle of wine at the festival. Additionally, \$5 entry tickets are available for designated drivers and those under 21 years of age. Tickets can be pre-ordered at corklessgalena.simpletix.com or purchased at the festival entrance.

For more information, visit CorklessGalena.com. ■

This June, take pride in knowing your HIV status.

Pride is about taking care of yourself and each other. Know your status by getting tested—and manage your status with treatment and prevention to stop HIV in Iowa!



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stophiowa.org

Happy Pride

THU 6/16

Jackson County Pro Rodeo

7:30 PM @ BELLEVUE HORSEMEN'S CLUB (BELLEVUE, IA)

June 16-18. The PRCA/WPRA-sanctioned rodeo hosts horse and bull riding, barrel racing, steer wrestling, team roping, mechanical bulls, cowboys, cowgirls, queens, music, food, beer, and wholesome fun. The kid's corral, pig scramble, mutton bustin' and clowns prove big hits with the kids. Live music follows the rodeo with Jimmy Welty Band on Thursday, Big John Hammer and the Rusty Nails on Friday, and Matt McPherson Band on Saturday. Rain or shine. \$15 adv/\$20 Adults; \$10 adv/\$15 door ages 5-12; free ages 4 and under. 25125-297th Ave. Bellevue, IA. BellevueRodeo.com.

FRI 6/17

**Berning Acres Night at the Farm**

7-9 PM @ BERNING ACRES (EAST DUBUQUE, IL)
Cows, Beer & Cheese Curds on June 17 and Cows, Wine & Charcuterie on June 18. Milk a cow, give a calf her bottle, or help with farm chores by feeding a farm friend (goat, sheep, pig, or pony). Wrap it up back in the shop for a view of the sunset over the farm while sampling a variety of locally-sourced cheeses, flavored meats, and beer or a beautiful charcuterie board and wine. Ages 21+. \$40 Beer and Cheese Curds, \$45 Wine and Charcuterie. 8850 N Menominee Rd, East Dubuque, IL. **563-543-8936**. berningacres.com.

SAT 6/18

Tour of Gardens

9 AM-4 PM @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE, PEOSTA, AND EPWORTH, IA
The annual Tour of Gardens is a fun chance to see other gardener's yards and get inspired for doing your own yard. The six sites selected have their own unique features, beautiful landscaping and good gardening practices. Featured gardens are located at Chuck Herring (1560 Miller Rd), Joan & Rick Frommelt (100 N. Grandview Ave.), Tim & Lisa Mueller (2901 Hillcrest plus workshop), NICC in Peosta (8342 NICC Drive, Peosta plus workshop), Doug & Cindy Recker (10043 Dutch Land Rd, Peosta plus workshop), and Gateway & Garden Club (Hwy 20 Epworth). Held rain or shine. \$10. **563-583-6496**. DBQTourofGardens.com.

Jedi Training Camps

9 AM-3 PM @ CAMP C.S. KLAUS (GREELEY, IA)
Campers are invited to train in the ways of the Force! From Jedi crafting and Wookiee games, water to sharpshooting archery and bb guns, campers will be kept busy the entire day. Local Padawan Day Camps are single-day adventures for all youth. You do not need to be a current Scout to participate. Parents and guardians attend for free. Includes a Day Camp t-shirt, event patch, and lots of memories. Entering grades K-5. \$35. **563-556-4343**. Scoutslowa.org.

Woodland Fairy Garden Walk

10 AM-2 PM @ GALENA TERRITORY BELDEN SCHOOL TRAILS (GALENA, IL)
View handcrafted fairy garden houses created from the surrounding woodland materials on the trails of Belden School in The Galena

Territory. Don't miss the special tent for children to create their own fairy wand. Participants will have to walk moderately uneven and mulch-covered trails. Please wear appropriate shoes. 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. Suggested donation \$5 adults, free ages 10 and under. 52 Heatherdowns Ln, Galena, IL. **815-777-2000**. TheGalenaTerritory.com.

**Victorian Cooking Class: Seed Cake**

1 PM @ MATHIAS HAM HISTORIC SITE
This recipe was served as a snack during tea time in the late 19th century. The

Victorian cooking class focuses on what would have been available in Iowa during this time period and what may have been served to the Ham family themselves. Class size is limited. RSVP. \$15. 2241 Lincoln Ave. **563-557-9545 x218**. RiverMuseum.com/events.

**Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show Team**

4 PM @ SOUTH OF LOCK 12 (BELLEVUE, IA)
Come enjoy great family entertainment with bare-footing, jumping, human pyramids, glittery costumes, great music and powerful towboats. Free. facebook.com/skibellevue.

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**Sunday, June 19
Noon-2pm**

For all custom/vintage/classic **cars, trucks, motorcycles, tractors**, and more! This is a fun time of showing your vehicle, not a competition.

Hy-Vee and the Dubuque Dairy Association will be available for food and ice cream. Bring your lawn chairs, eat, visit with others, look at unique vehicles, and enjoy a fun Father's Day at Grand View! **Join us for Worship at 8am, 9:30am, or 10:45am.**

**3342 John Wesley Dr., Next to the Soccer Complex
More info: 563-582-8875 | grandviewdubuque.org**

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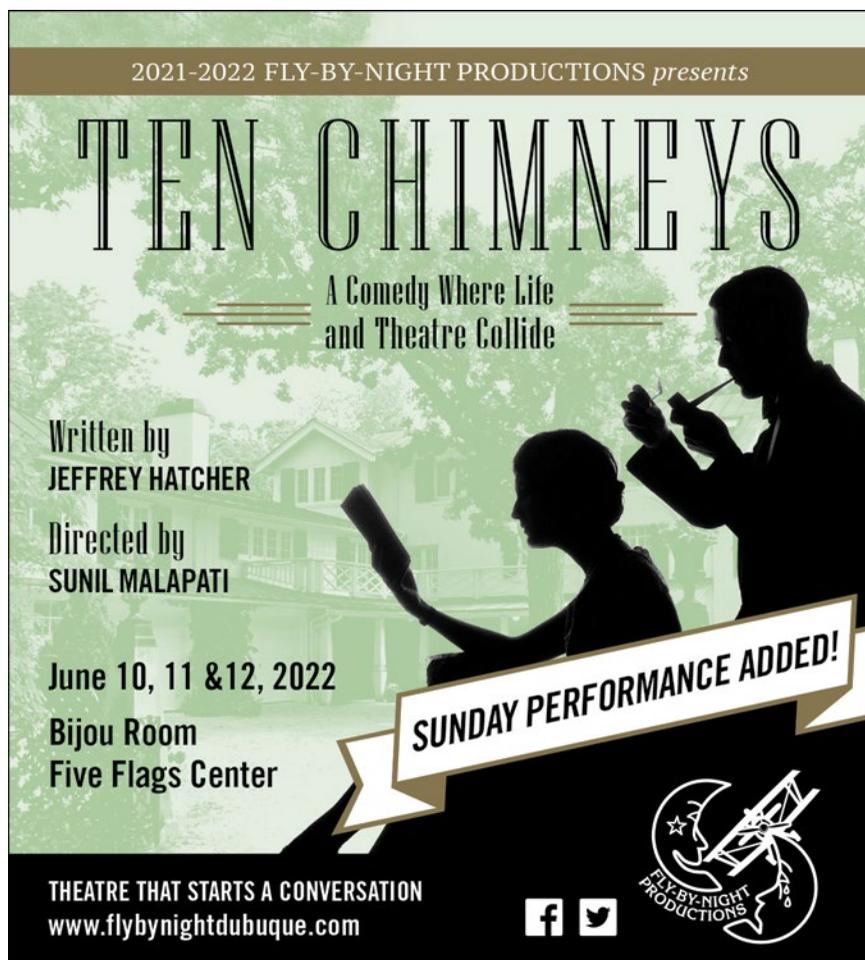
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LGBTQ+ History: Stonewall and Beyond

TUESDAY, JUNE 28 @ 6-7 PM

GALENA PUBLIC LIBRARY (601 S BENCH ST, GALENA, IL) AND ONLINE

The Galena Public Library hosts a hybrid lecture presented by Dr. Pip Gordon. Attend LGBTQ+ History: Stonewall and Beyond in person at the Galena Public Library or online on Tuesday, June 28 at 6-7 p.m.

Dr. Pip Gordon will discuss the Stonewall Riot, which is credited as being the inspiration for Pride Month, but they will also look further back in time to other, lesser-known protests as well as forward to pivotal moments in the march of progress towards LGBTQ+ rights. The talk will primarily be focused on the roots of Queer liberation to inform audiences how Pride Month got its start and how it has grown to be more inclusive.

Dr. Phillip "Pip" Gordon (they/them) is an associate professor of English and Gay Studies Coordinator at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. Originally from West Tennessee, Pip completed degrees at the University of Tennessee-Martin (BA, 2005) and the University of Mississippi (MA, 2008; PhD, 2013). Pip has published many articles on LGBTQ+



representation in books and other media, including the recent monograph *Gay Faulkner: Uncovering a Homosexual Presence in Yoknapatawpha and Beyond*.

This lecture is being presented in a hybrid format. If you choose virtual attendance when registering, you will receive a Zoom link from the Galena Public Library. This presentation will also be live streamed to the Galena Public Library Facebook page as well as recorded and posted to their YouTube channel.

Register for the free lecture at [stonewallandbeyond.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/stonewallandbeyond). For more information, contact the Galena Public Library at **815-777-0200** or visit GalenaLibrary.org. ■

Filling Your Cup

THURSDAY, JUNE 30 @ 7:30-9 AM
HOTEL JULIEN DUBUQUE GRANDE BALLROOM (200 MAIN ST)

Opening Doors brings international speaker and award-winning author Annie Meehan to Hotel Julien Dubuque's Grande Ballroom on Thursday, June 30 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. for an uplifting and transformative morning.

"We are excited to feature Annie Meehan at this new coffee-themed event," comments Ann Lorenz, Development and Marketing Director. She adds, "Annie's young life mirrored the stories of the women and children we serve every day at Opening Doors. She escaped a cycle of negativity, poverty and abuse to live an exceptional life."

Annie's book, *Be the Exception*, won the National Ben Franklin award. Guests will also have the opportunity to visit a variety of vendor booths.

Opening Doors is a nonprofit organization who helps women and children who are experiencing homelessness. Goal setting and life skills training enables the women to achieve their full



potential. Since 2000, Opening Doors has served more than 4,000 women and children through a continuum of services. Opening Doors offers much more than a place to sleep; they provide the opportunity for women to claim their own power and become self-sufficient.

Registration is \$35 includes a breakfast buffet, a copy of *Be the Exception*, and a coffee-themed gift bag. For tickets and more information, call Opening Doors at **563-582-7480** or visit OpeningDoorsDBQ.org/Cup. ■

SUN 6/19

**Park-n-Shine**

NOON-2 PM @ GRAND VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Bring your custom, vintage, or classic car, truck, motorcycle, or tractor to Grand View United Methodist Church's parking lot. Join for Worship at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., or 10:45 a.m., and stay for a fun afternoon of viewing or showing off your unique vehicle (not a competition). Hy-Vee food and the Dairy Assoc. trailer will be available. No alcohol permitted. Free. 3342 John Wesley Dr. **563-582-8875**. grandviewdubuque.org.

Sundaes in the Garden

2-3:30 PM @ DUBUQUE ARBORETUM & BOTANICAL GARDENS
Stop out for complimentary ice cream served on McKay Plaza and stick around to see Hunter Fuerste and his American Vintage Orchestra at Music in the Gardens. Free. 3800 Arboretum Dr. **563-556-2100**. DubuqueArboretum.net.

MON 6/20

**Dubuque Area Humanists: A. Alanda Gregory**

6:30-8 PM @ DBQ CO. PUBLIC LIBRARY ASBURY BRANCH (ASBURY, IA)
A. Alanda Gregory, the Authorpreneur, will speak about her experiences living in Dubuque for the past several years since she moved here from Chicago. She is a writer, planner, certified life coach, artist development/image brand coach, co-owner of Tri-Phoenix Group, LLC and co-founder of the BIPOC

Leader and Professional Collective. Free. 5290 Grand Meadow Dr, Asbury, IA. [facebook.com/dubuqueareahumanists](https://www.facebook.com/dubuqueareahumanists).

WED 6/22

**Sinsinawa Mound Farmers' Market**

4-7 PM @ SINSINAWA COLLABORATIVE FARM (SINSINAWA, WI)
The farmer's market will be held at the Sinsinawa Collaborative Farm and feature vendors including Collaborative Farmers, Sandhill Farms, City Girl Farming, The Mound's Farm, Sinsinawa Bakery, and Sinsinawa Book & Gift Shop. 2551 County Rd Z Sinsinawa, WI. **608-748-4411**. sinsinawa.org/moundcenter.

THU 6/23

Convivium Kitchen Volunteer Orientation and Training

6-7:30 PM @ CONVIVIVUM URBAN FARMSTEAD
This orientation and required training is the first step to volunteering in Convivium's kitchens (excluding volunteering for the Casserole Program). Learn the basic layout of kitchens and safety skills necessary to help us in future volunteer opportunities related to tasks like preserving harvests, canning, dehydrating, pickling, making jams and jellies, and more. RSVP. Free. 2811 Jackson St. **563-557-2900**. convivium-dbq.com.

**Tinderbox: The Untold Story of the Upstairs Lounge Fire**

6 PM @ ONLINE
Award-winning author and journalist Robert W. Fieseler

will read from *Tinderbox* and discuss the Up Stairs Lounge, and its Illinois Impact. Buried for decades, the Up Stairs Lounge tragedy has only recently emerged as a catalyzing event of the Queer liberation movement. RSVP suggested. 601 S Bench St, Galena, IL. **815-777-0200**. [galenapubliclibrary.org](https://www.galenapubliclibrary.org). [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com).

SAT 6/25

**Summer Artists Garden Party**

5-8 PM @ WASHINGTON PARK
Toast the beginning of summer with old friends and new artists. Gather for an evening of fashion, craft beer and wine, artful desserts, and artist demonstrations inspired by DuMA's Craft Invitational. Tickets include Museum admission, all artist talks and demonstrations, music, a Bavarian pretzel from Chew on This food truck, pastries from tkttkt, and your choice of a beer flight from Jubeck and Dimensional Brewing, a glass of wine, or a soft drink. Additional food and beverages will be available for purchase from local vendors. *AMIDST* magazine will offer free digital magazine for event attendees. Members \$20 adult/\$8 under 21; non-members \$25 adult/\$10 under 21. 700 Locust St. **563-557-1851**. dbqart.org.



BUT WAIT... THERE'S MORE!
VIEW OUR FULL EVENT LIST
DUBUQUE365.COM/EVENTS

Ongoing & Recurring Events

SUNDAY

Galena Territory Farmers Market

SUN THROUGH OCT 9

@ 8 AM-NOON

GALENA TERRITORY OWNERS' CLUB

(GALENA, IL)

2000 Territory Dr, Galena, IL. **815-777-2000**.

TheGalenaTerritory.com.

Dubuque Cars and Coffee

3RD SUN THROUGH OCT

@ 9 AM-NOON

HOBBY LOBBY

PARKING LOT

Casual meet up for cars of all makes, models, and years.

Coffee and donuts available,

proceeds go to Veteran's

Freedom Center. 3925 Dodge

St. [facebook.com/dubuquecarsandcoffee](https://www.facebook.com/dubuquecarsandcoffee).

Just Friends 50+ Brunch

LAST SAT @ 12:30 PM

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Join for brunch and good company. Contact Maureen Tyne for location, newsletter, and more information. **815-297-3308**.

Arcade Meetup LGBTQ+ Social

3RD SUN @ 3-5 PM

BACKPOCKET DUBUQUE

Gathering for LGBTQ+ community and allies. 333 E 10th

St. [facebook.com/DubuqueLGBTQ](https://www.facebook.com/DubuqueLGBTQ).

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Music in the Gardens

SUN THROUGH AUG

@ 6:30 PM

DUBUQUE ARBORETUM

& BOTANICAL GARDENS

The 30th season boasts 13 weeks of family-friendly music in a variety of styles.

Bring a chair or blanket and a picnic. See our Tri-State

Live Music listings for the

lineup. Free. 3800 Arbo-

retum Dr. **563-556-2100**.

DubuqueArboretum.net.

MONDAY

Dubuque Area Humanists

3RD MON @ 6:30-8 PM

DUBUQUE COUNTY PUBLIC

LIBRARY (ASBURY, IA)

Cultivate a community who

is good without God. Free.

5290 Grand Meadow Dr,

Asbury, IA. [facebook.com/dubuqueareahumanists](https://www.facebook.com/dubuqueareahumanists).

[dubuqueareahumanists](https://www.facebook.com/dubuqueareahumanists).

TUESDAY

Early Explorers

1ST TUE & SAT @ 10 AM

MISSISSIPPI RIVER

MUSEUM & AQUARIUM

Discover the ABCs through

hands-on and active activi-

ties. RSVP suggested. Ages

2-5 with parent/caregiver.

\$10 for non-members; \$8

for members; adult free.

350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545**.

RiverMuseum.com.

WEDNESDAY

Cuba City Community Market

3RD WED THROUGH

SEPT @ 4-7 PM

PRESIDENTIAL PLAZA

(CUBA CITY, WI)

207 S Main St, Cuba

City, WI. **608-744-2152**.

CubaCity.org.

BIPOC Leader & Professional Collective Business Mixer

3RD WED @ 5-7 PM

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Connecting Tri-State profes-

sionals with each other,

various organizations, and

businesses. **563-663-3342**.

triphoenixgroup.com/

BIPOCcollective.

Toastmasters Speakeasy Club

2ND, 4TH, AND 5TH WED

@ 5:30 PM

CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC

LIBRARY AND VIRTUAL

Develop the skills to give an

organized and dynamic pre-

sentation. Ages 18+. Free. 360

W 11th St. [facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/ToastmastersSpeakeasyClub)

[ToastmastersSpeakeasyClub](https://www.facebook.com/ToastmastersSpeakeasyClub).

Green Drinks

2ND WED @ 6 PM

SMOKESTACK

Have a drink with environ-

mentally-minded friends

and discuss local issues

concerning global environ-

mental challenges. 62 E 7th

St. GreenDubuque.org.

She Unites

3RD WED @ 6 PM

7 HILLS EVENT CENTER

An inclusive women's group

working to connect women

across the region through

education, philanthropy,

mutual support, and more.

Free. 1098 Jackson St.

SheUnitesIowa.com.

Makers & Shakers Art Party

3RD WED THROUGH NOV

@ 6:30-8 PM

SHAKE RAG LIND PAVILION

(MINERAL POINT, WI)

Create a different project

each month using new

materials and techniques.

Ages 12+. RSVP. \$5. 411

Commerce St, Mineral

Point, WI. **608-987-3292**.

shakeragalley.org/art-party.

THURSDAY

Grandparent Tea

1ST THU @ 9:30-11 AM

SHALOM SPIRITUALITY

CENTER DINING ROOM

Celebrate the gift of grand-

parenthood over a cup of

tea. RSVP. Freewill donation.

1001 Davis St. **563-582-3592**.

shalomretreats.org. No

meeting in July and August.

Millwork Night Market

2ND THU THROUGH OCT

@ 5-8 PM

7TH-9TH AND JACKSON ST

August market will

be held on Aug. 18.

MillworkNightMarket.com.

Gary's Graffiti Nights

THU THROUGH SEPT 15

@ 5-9:30 PM

DUBUQUE COUNTY

FAIRGROUNDS

Classic cars converge with

food, drinks, and additional

entertainment. No event

on July 28 and Aug. 18.

East Dubuque's Cruisin' Thursdays

THU THROUGH SEPT 20

@ 5-9 PM

SINSINAWA AVE,

EAST DUBUQUE, IL

All years of cars, trucks, and

motorcycles; food and cold

beverages; and live music.

[facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/eastdubuquecarshow)

[eastdubuquecarshow](https://www.facebook.com/eastdubuquecarshow).

Live at the Plaza

LAST THU THROUGH

SEPT @ 5-7 PM

GREEN STREET PLAZA

(GALENA, IL)

This family-friendly event

features regional musicians,

performers, food and drink.

Visit the plaza to pick up a

Live at the Plaza Passport

with a list of open-late busi-

nesses and opportunities to

secure promotional deals

and prizes. Free. 110 Green St,

Galena, IL. **815-776-9200**.

visitgalena.org.

Dubuque Harley Davidson Bike Nights

3RD THU THROUGH AUG

@ 6-9 PM

MCGRATH DUBUQUE

HARLEY-DAVIDSON

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more. Register to win a 2022

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Forty-Eight. 145 N Crescent

Ridge. **563-557-3735**.

[dubuqueharley-](http://dubuqueharley-davidson.com)

[davidson.com](http://dubuqueharley-davidson.com).

FRIDAY

In the Mind's Eye

1ST AND 3RD FRI THROUGH

OCT @ 2-3:15 PM

DUBUQUE MUSEUM OF ART

The respite program brings

the joy of art to people

living with mild to moder-

ate Alzheimer's disease

and their caregivers. RSVP

required. 701 Locust

St. **563-557-1851 x115**.

DBQart.org.

First Fridays

1ST FRI

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

IN DUBUQUE

First Fridays is Downtown

Dubuque's monthly visual art

series, hosted by galler-

ies, museums, and venues,

celebrating Dubuque's great

visual arts scene. Free.

SATURDAY

Dubuque Farmers' Market

SAT THROUGH SEPT

@ 7 AM-NOON

SAT IN OCT @ 8 AM-NOON

11TH-13TH AND IOWA ST

563-588-4400.

DubuqueFarmersMarket.org.

Dyersville Downtown Market

LAST SAT THROUGH

SEPTEMBER @ 8 AM-NOON

3RD AVE SW AND 3RD

ST, DYERSVILLE, IA

[DyersvilleDowntown](http://DyersvilleDowntownMarket.com)

[Market.com](http://DyersvilleDowntownMarket.com).

Platteville Farmer's Market

SAT THROUGH OCT

@ 8 AM-NOON

PLATTEVILLE CITY PARK

(PLATTEVILLE, WI)

75 N Bonson St, Platte-

ville, WI. **608-218-4374**.

[PlattevilleFarmers](http://PlattevilleFarmersMarketWI.com)

[MarketWI.com](http://PlattevilleFarmersMarketWI.com).

Farmers Junk in the Trunk Market

SAT THROUGH OCT @ 8 AM

CAJUN JACK'S BAR &

GRILL (ELIZABETH, IL)

Browse a variety of

vendors. 1336 US HWY 20,

Elizabeth, IL. **815-858-3535**.

[facebook.com/cajunjacks](https://www.facebook.com/cajunjacks).

Driftless Poets Monthly Workshop

2ND SAT @ 2-4 PM

SHAKE RAG ALLEY

CFA (MINERAL POINT,

WI) AND VIRTUAL

Local and aspiring poets are

invited to provide support

and encouragement for poets

seeking honest feedback

on their work. RSVP. 18

Shake Rag St, Mineral

Point, WI. **608-987-3292**.

driftlesspoets.com.

Free Salsa/Bachata Dance Lesson

3RD SAT @ 8:30 PM

SMOKESTACK

Adam's Dance Connection

hosts a free salsa/bachata

dance lesson before Latin

P MOVIE NEWS

Coming Soon

JURASSIC WORLD: DOMINION (PG-13)

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

The epic conclusion to the Jurassic era as two generations unite for the first time. Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard are joined by Oscar winner Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum, and Sam Neill in a new adventure that spans the globe. *Dominion* takes place four years after Isla Nublar has been destroyed. Dinosaurs now live—and hunt—alongside humans. This fragile balance will reshape the future and determine, once and for all, whether humans are to remain the apex predators on a planet they now share with history's most fearsome creatures.



LIGHTYEAR (PG)

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

A sci-fi action adventure and the definitive origin story of Buzz Lightyear (voice of Chris Evans), the hero who inspired the toy. *Lightyear* follows the legendary space ranger on an intergalactic adventure alongside a group of ambitious recruits and his robot companion, Sox.



ELVIS (PG-13)

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

Explore the life and music of Elvis Presley (Austin Butler) through the prism of his complicated relationship with his enigmatic manager, Colonel Tom Parker (Tom Hanks). The story delves into the complex dynamic between Presley and Parker spanning over 20 years, from Presley's rise to fame to his unprecedented stardom, against the backdrop of the evolving cultural landscape and loss of innocence in America. Central to that journey is one of the most significant people in Elvis's life, Priscilla Presley (Olivia DeJonge).



THE BLACK PHONE (R)

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

Finney Shaw, a shy but clever 13-year-old boy, is abducted by a sadistic killer and trapped in a soundproof basement where screaming is of little use. When a disconnected phone on the wall begins to ring, Finney discovers that he can hear the voices of the killer's previous victims. And they are dead set on making sure that what happened to them doesn't happen to Finney.



Movie Buzz

Oscar-winning actor Christoph Waltz is set to play Billy Wilder in the upcoming movie *Billy Wilder & Me*. It's adapted from the Jonathan Coe book *Mr. Wilder & Me*, which uses a mix of real-life and fictional characters. Set in the summer of 1977, the story revolves around a woman who begins working for Wilder and his screenwriter Iz Diamond on a Greek island during the filming of *Fedora*. When she follows Wilder to Germany to continue the shoot, she finds herself joining him on a memorable journey into the heart of his family history.



Now as part of Marvel Studios, Ryan Reynolds' Wade Wilson is set to make his MCU debut through the threequel. No release date has been set, but *Deadpool 3* has been in development for quite a while now. Disney's historic acquisition of Fox's movie and TV assets paves the way for the X-Men, Fantastic Four, and all their tie-in characters to appear in the MCU and interact with its heroes. *Deadpool 3* will be the first R-rated film under Marvel Studios. Writers Reese and Wernick from the *Zombieland* fame, not to mention the first two *Deadpool* installments, took over from previous scribes. While Reese and Wernick can't talk plot specifics about *Deadpool 3*, there's an ongoing idea that after collaborating with Hemsworth in Netflix's *Spiderhead*, Thor can appear in *Deadpool 3*. They also promise that the upcoming threequel will still use its trademark vulgarity despite being made by Disney's Marvel Studios.



Tom Cruise's *Top Gun: Maverick* dropped a mere 29 percent from its Memorial Day launch, the lowest decline in history for a movie opening to \$100 million or more. For the first time in his four-decade career, Tom Cruise, 59, has a movie that has a real shot at joining the billion-dollar club at the global box office. Cruise's biggest film worldwide is *Mission: Impossible—Fallout*, which collected \$571.5 million overseas for a worldwide total of \$791 million in 2018. *Top Gun: Maverick* could prove a huge boost for the next *Mission: Impossible* movie, *Dead Reckoning, Part One* on July 14, 2023 as it may have re-introduced Cruise to a whole new generation.



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Dubuque Celebrates National Pollinator Week

Free Events! June 20 - 26, 2022

Pollinator Week is an annual celebration promoting the valuable ecosystem services provided by bees, birds, butterflies, bats, and beetles. It's a time to spread the word about what we can do to protect pollinator populations!

Self-Guided Prairie Tour at Canticle of Creation Center

Tuesday, June 21 | 9 a.m. - noon | Sisters of St. Francis, 3390 Windsor Ave.

Free Concert at Miller Riverview Park

Wednesday, June 22 | 4 - 7 p.m.

Featuring artists from R&B and hip-hop genres. Food vendors will be available. Bring chairs and blankets! Hosted by the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium and the Multicultural Family Center.

Up Close: Exploring the Bee Branch Through Macro Photography

Thursday, June 23 | 6:30 - 8 p.m. | Meet at E. 24th St. Overlook
Ron and Jennifer Tigges of Digital Dubuque will host a free class exploring the importance of pollinators through macro photography.

7th Annual Summer Sustainability Fair

Friday, June 24 | 5 - 7 p.m. | Bee Branch Creek Greenway
Over 20 vendors will be showcasing how they promote sustainability in our community. Food vendors will be available and Brion Bowman will be performing live music. A large-scale pollinator-themed mural by local artists will be on display as well as electric vehicles!

Native Prairie Landscape Painting Class

Saturday, June 25 | Bee Branch Creek Greenway

Events & Activities Happening All Week!

Picture Perfect Pollinator Photo Contest
Dubuque Pollinator BioBlitz
Children's StoryWalk at the Bee Branch Creek Greenway
Read "A Swarm in May" by Mark Powers on Hoopla
(Free for Carnegie-Stout Public Library cardholders)



Hover your smartphone camera over this QR Code for more details!



Event details at www.cityofdubuque.org/pollinatorweek

FLY-BY-NIGHT PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

Ten Chimneys

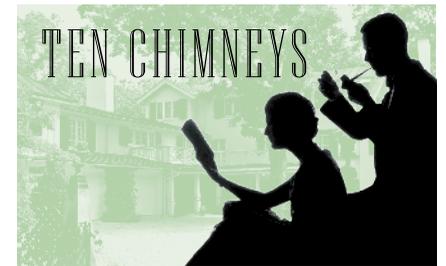
JUNE 10 AND 11 @ 7:30 PM

JUNE 12 @ 2 PM

FIVE FLAGS CENTER BIJOU ROOM
(405 MAIN ST)

Fly-By-Night Productions performs *Ten Chimneys* by Jeffrey Hatcher on June 10 and 11 at 7:30 p.m. and a recently-added Sunday, June 12 performance at 2 p.m. at the Five Flags Center Bijou Room.

Ten Chimneys is a soap-opera comedy with a Noel Coward touch. Summer 1938, Broadway legends Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne retreat, as they did in real-life, to their summer Wisconsin estate, Ten Chimneys. With other actors, family, and hangers-on, they work on a Chekov play and the real and fictional worlds intrude on each other. *Ten Chimneys* is about theatre folk: funny, poignant, and revealing in its look at these private lives



that never really leave the stage. The play is Hatcher's homage to this place of vibrant creativity and the historic big personalities who inhabited it.

Join FBNP for a talk-back with the cast and director following the June 10 performance.

Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at Ticketmaster.com, the Five Flags Center box office, and at the door one hour before showtime. For more information, call **563-599-9486** or visit FlyByNightDubuque.com. ■

The Sound of Music

JUNE 17-18 AND 23-25 @ 7:30 PM

JUNE 19 AND 26 @ 2 PM

GRAND OPERA HOUSE (135 W 8TH ST)

Considered the world's most beloved musical by many, *The Sound of Music* heads to the Grand Opera House stage June 17-26.

After struggling to conform to the rules of the Nonnberg Abbey, Maria is sent by the Mother Abbess to be the governess to the seven children of the widowed Captain von Trapp. Maria brings music and joy to a home of dour rules and regulations, winning over first the children and then the Captain.

Set against the backdrop of the Swiss Alps among a time of increasing



unrest, *The Sound of Music* features multiple award-winning songs including "My Favorite Things," "Do-Re-Mi," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," "Edelweiss," and the title song, "The Sound of Music."

Tickets are \$23 for adults and \$15 for ages under 18. Tickets can be purchased in person at the box office, by calling **563-588-1305**, or at TheGrandOperaHouse.com. ■

Francis Johansen—A Retrospective Reception

FRIDAY, JUNE 17 @ 4-7 PM

ROUNTREE GALLERY

(120 W MAIN ST, PLATTEVILLE, WI)

Rountree Gallery in Platteville, WI hosts an opening reception for *Francis Johansen—A Retrospective* on Friday, June 17 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Platteville-native Francis Johansen was born in 1971 and died in 2005. He

attended Platteville High School, took art courses at UW-Platteville, and earned a BFA in Design from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design in 1993. He has been represented at galleries in Denver, Madison, New York, Connecticut, Dubuque, and in Platteville at the Nohr Gallery.

The exhibit is on display Thursday, June 16 through Saturday, Aug. 20 and can be viewed Thursdays and Fridays 4-7 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Two receptions are planned: an opening reception on Friday, June 17 from 4 to 7 p.m. and a closing reception on Friday, August 19 from 4 to 7 p.m.

For more information, visit RountreeGallery.org. ■



Q Casino Back Waters Stage Concert Series

Presented by MidWestOne Bank

- **Ja Rule w/ Ginuwine and Ying Yang Twins: Friday, June 10 @ 7 PM**
- **Tesla w/ Not Quite Brothers: Friday, June 17 @ 7 PM**
- **Chase Rice w/ Adam Doleac and John Morgan: Saturday, June 25 @ 7 PM**
- **Seether w/ 10 Years and Nonpoint: Saturday, July 16 @ 7 PM**
- **Mid-America H.O.G. Rally: Pork Tornadoes w/ Electric Shock: Saturday, July 23 @ 6 PM**
- **Rockzilla: Papa Roach and Falling in Reverse w/ Hollywood Undead and Bad Wolves: Saturday, August 13 @ 6:30 PM**
- **Sam Hunt w/ Warren Zeiders and Sean Stemaly: Sunday, August 14 @ 7 PM**
- **Giant Country Music Concert TBA: Early September**

By Bryce Parks

The Back Waters Stage at Q Casino sponsored by MidWestOne Bank is back again for 2022 and has become one of those big expectations of summer fun for local music lovers. “Who’s going to be at Q this summer?” Well, that answer was recently revealed, at least mostly, and now it’s just a waiting game as each show in the diverse lineup of artists approaches. The first show is just a couple of weeks away, we caught up once again with Brian Rakestraw to talk music.

I sat down with Brian, the rundown of this year’s concerts was in my head, and knowing his own music tastes, the first thing I said was, “I know you. I gotta say I was looking for another country show in there.” It appears that I am a super sleuth because Brian smiled and said, “Well... there is one more show we haven’t announced yet.” Ha! I knew it!

“This was probably one of the most challenging years we’ve had to get those routed opportunities,” noted Rakestraw as we look over the roster of 2022 talent which includes Ja Rule, Tesla, Chase

Rice, Seether, Papa Roach, Falling in Reverse, and Sam Hunt. “All of the artists are out there, and competition is fierce. The prices have increased. This year we really tried to focus on artists that haven’t been here before or for whom it’s been quite a while since their last visit.”

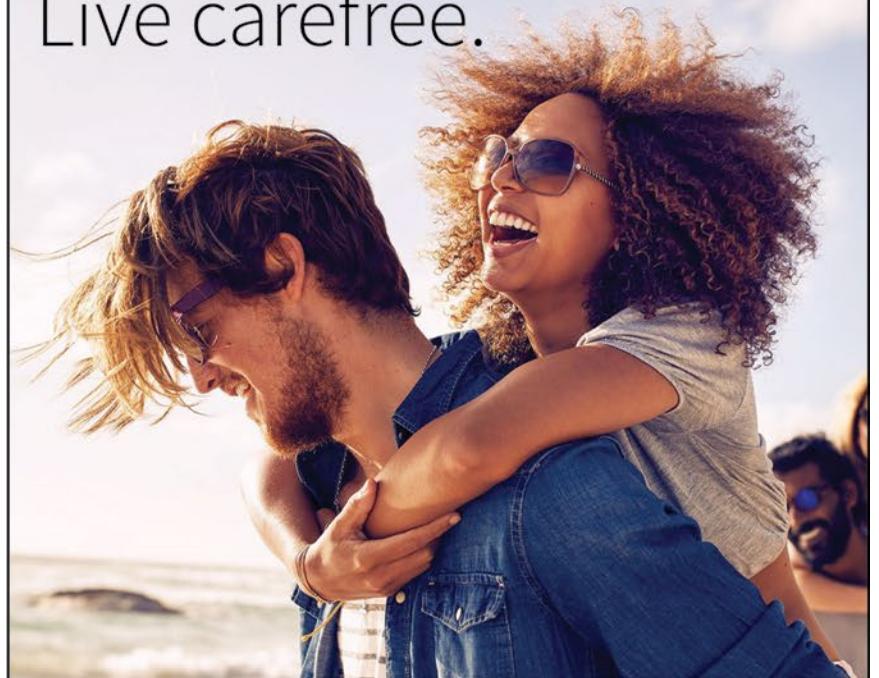
“We have one more big show to announce that has been confirmed. It is a country show, and right now, we’re just confirming a supporting act for them. We should announce that in the next few weeks.”

Brian told me the name in confidence, and I can confirm that it is indeed a big name in country music, and he (we’ll give you that much... they’re a “he”) has never performed in Dubuque before. “It may be the biggest act that has been to Dubuque in some time.”

All the country fans, hold onto your cowboy hats, the Back Waters Stage season will be wrapping up with a bang this September.

Q Casino already has a history of bringing in some breaking country stars just as they hit the big time. Kane Brown and Morgan Wallen both performed in the Q Showroom multiple times before they got

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so big that they couldn't fit in any venue in Dubuque anymore, though Brown did come back for a giant outdoor show at the Back Waters Stage on his way to the top of the charts. Brett Young is another notable star who played the small stage inside Q Casino and is now coming back to play the much larger Five Flags Arena on June 16. They seem to have an eye for what's going to be hot next, and they'd like to get back to that after the summer outdoor season. Then, the indoor Q Showroom stage will feature regional and local acts as well as after parties for the Back Waters Stage shows through the summer and regain the spotlight in the fall.

Papa Rock and Sam Hunt are big shows. Papa Roach is on fire with ticket sales. It doesn't hurt that they are touring with Falling in Reverse who is really hot right now, so there's a one-two punch to please fans of early 2000s hard rock as well as fans who are following today's top bands. They're part of the Rockzilla tour, which is basically a festival-sized production that offers around five hours of live hard rock. So, you know... pace yourself and hydrate!

"We tried to get some more alternative music in this season but offers fell through, and we will continue to work on bringing in more diverse genres to the festival series."

But with hip hop, country, '80s rock, and a couple of different flavors of 2000s rock, what's coming up has a little something for a lot of people. If anything, it's missing some classic rock or music for an older set. We'll bet that one day soon, when Q gets a permanent amphitheater with designated seating and permanent amenities, you'll see more of those concerts joining the lineup. The current Back Waters Stage, with its GA ticket strategy, caters well to a crowd that likes to mingle and doesn't mind standing during the show, especially when Turpin Tailgate ticket holders can



get right up close to the stage. If you're wondering what I'm talking about with the permanent amphitheater comment, well, you'll just need to read the accompanying interview with Q Casino's newest President and C.E.O., Alex Dixon. Big things are on the way for Schmitt Island to be sure.

Brian Rakestraw was as excited as Dixon to look ahead to what's coming soon for the people of Dubuque down by the river, but first, we have some rockin' to do THIS year. Let's Rock!

"This year we still have a great lineup, kicking off with Ja Rule and Ginuwine. Nelly was one of our biggest shows last summer, and we think we can keep that going with Ja Rule. Tesla is coming back after having to cancel last year's concert due to COVID, and the rising country star Chase Rice fills up our June calendar. There are three solid shows to break in the season."

Then in July, Seether returns to Dubuque with 10 Years and Nonpoint before the huge Rockzilla Tour lands at Q Casino. Joining Papa Roach and Falling in Reverse are Hollywood Undead and Bad Wolves. That is a 4.5- to 5-hour show, a festival-sized show that people are really responding

well to based on early ticket sales. Both of those shows cater to a similar genre of rock music lovers from right about that 2000 to 2005 era. Breathe it in millennium graduates, this is your sweet spot!

"Then we are really excited about Sam Hunt with Warren Zeiders. People know Sam, but Zeiders is more of that dirt road country that is really hot right now. He's on the rise. [And we know about Q finding the next big thing first!] One thing we look at with the younger artists is their social media following, YouTube and Instagram, and if they have a lot, they normally do really well. He's got a following."

"We think there's a lot of pent-up demand from people wanting to get out and get outside. If the weather's nice, we expect a big summer. If the crowd from last week's Kickoff to Summer is any indication, we had the biggest crowds we've ever seen for that festival. People are ready to get out."

With the bigger shows, they've expanded their marketing for the concerts from 75 to 150 miles, trying to get even more people to Dubuque.

"Everything right now for us, both with casino and as the DRA, is about

growing the population of Dubuque. Not just with people moving here, but also with tourism. I'm really excited about all of the plans that we're working on so we can make this island a destination. Bringing more people to Dubuque doesn't just help us, it helps all of the other businesses in town and the city itself."

Though ticket sales are super strong for shows like Papa Roach, the fact that the GA and Turpin Tailgate tickets are standing only eliminates the pressure to buy early to get a good reserved seat. That can probably feel stressful for Q Casino in anticipating the size of crowds, but for you the music fan, it also means that you have not lost out if you didn't get your tickets right away when the shows were announced.

As long as you have a ticket in the section you want to be in, you can pick your spot, assuming you arrive in time to save it, of course. You can also bring in your own seating for the GA section, and there is some seating provided in the Turpin Tailgate area on a first come, first serve basis.

In addition to the music, beer, and mixed drinks, Q has invited some of the favorite local food trucks to be part of the festival series, and they don't even ask for a cut. They just want the fans to have access to a nice variety of great eats during the show and support those local businesses.

Don't wait forever to get your tickets. Show Q Casino your support for the shows you know you're going to see any way by hopping on BackWatersStage.com and securing your tickets now. Don't forget that the shows CAN and HAVE sold out in the past. We think that the final unannounced show this summer could be one of those. So don't do the Dubuque thing and wait until the last minute to get your tickets or you might get left out, kicking yourself saying, "what was I thinkin'?" ■

Q Casino Back Waters Stage Schedule

Back Waters Stage is located behind Q Casino at 1855 Greyhound Park Rd. The all-ages shows are held rain or shine. Limited seating is available in the Turpin Tailgate area on a first come, first serve basis. GA will not have any seating provided though you can bring your own chair. On-site parking is free. Beer, mixed drinks, non-alcoholic beverages, and food will be available for purchase. You can purchase tickets in person at Q Casino or online at BackWatersStage.com.



Ja Rule with Special Guests Ginuwine and Ying Yang Twins

FRIDAY, JUNE 10 @ 7 PM

TICKETS: \$49.50+

HITS: "ALWAYS ON TIME," "MESMERIZE," AND "LIVIN' IT UP"

An American rapper, singer, and actor

signed to his own label Mpire Records. He began his career in the group Cash Money Click and released his debut solo album, Venni Vetti Vecci, in 1999. He has since released nine more albums including his bestsellers Pain Is Love and Rule 3:36, selling more than 20 million albums worldwide. Ja Rule is known for being associated with Jay-Z as a part of The Murderers and has beefed with rappers DMX, 50 Cent, The Game, Busta Rhymes, Dr. Dre, and Eminem. Opening act Ginuwine has released several multi-platinum and platinum-selling albums and singles, becoming one of R&B's top artists during the 1990s heyday of hip-hop soul with hits like "Last Chance," "Differences," and "The Best Man I Can Be."



Tesla with Special Guest Not Quite Brothers

FRIDAY, JUNE 17 @ 7 PM

TICKETS: \$39.50+

HITS: "LOVE SONG," "SIGNS," "THE WAY IT IS" Tesla is an American rock band from Sacramento, CA whose 1984 debut album, Mechanical Resonance, went platinum and produced iconic hits such as "Modern Day Cowboy" and "Little

Suzi” and still is one of the most successful debut albums of the era. Never quite fitting the “hair metal” look or sound and with massive MTV video play (back when they still did that), they continued to chart hits for years including “Heaven’s Train,” “Hang Tough,” “Song & Emotion,” “Edison’s Medicine,” and “What You Give.” 2020 marked the 30th anniversary of one of their most iconic album, Five Man Acoustical Jam. Tesla’s legacy is alive and well as they continue to record and sell out venues all over the world. Tesla is a celebration of the greatest spirits of rock and roll.



Chase Rice with Special Guests Adam Doleac and John Morgan

SATURDAY, JUNE 25 @ 7 PM

TICKETS: \$49.50+

HITS: “EYES ON YOU,” “DRINKIN’ BEER. TALKIN’ GOD. AMEN,” AND “LONELY IF YOU ARE”

With more than 2 million albums sold and over 2 billion total streams, plus a legion of passionate fans at his high-energy concerts across the globe, Chase Rice has established himself as a powerful force in Nashville and beyond. His recent three-part project, *The Album*, features the No. 1 hit “Drinkin’ Beer. Talkin’ God. Amen.” (feat. Florida Georgia Line) and Platinum-certified Top 10 hit “Lonely If You Are.”

This newest material is the same gravelly-voiced Chase Rice fans first fell in love with years ago—but better. Freer. Unbeholden and uninhibited, somehow capable of evoking Chris LeDoux and The Chronic, campfire singalongs, and stadium anthems, all at once.

The new music builds upon the success of his sophomore album, *Lambs & Lions*, which featured the Double-Platinum, two-week chart topper “Eyes On You”—Rice’s first No. 1 as an artist and the most-streamed song of his career. *Lambs & Lions* followed *Ignite the Night*, which debuted at No. 1 on Billboard’s Top Country Albums and No. 3 on the all-genre chart, producing a pair of Top 5 hits: “Ready Set Roll” and “Gonna Wanna Tonight.” Most recently, he’s been filling arena as stadiums with Kane Brown, Kenny Chesney, and Garth Brooks.



Seether with Special Guests 10 Years and Nonpoint

SATURDAY, JULY 16 @ 7 PM

TICKETS: \$49.50+

HITS: “FINE AGAIN,” “REMEDY” AND “FAKE IT”

Since forming in Pretoria, South Africa in 1999, Seether (Shaun Morgan, Dale Stewart, John Humphrey, and Corey Lowery) has amassed a global fanbase that has grown organically with purpose and commitment, offering their fans around the world camaraderie, comfort, and a sense of personal power. Their impressive sales and chart history includes three platinum and two gold albums, 22 No. 1 singles, 21 Top 5 multi-format hits, single sales topping 17 million, and more than 2 billion streams worldwide across all platforms. Seether is Billboard’s #8 All-Time Mainstream Rock Artist. Seether’s illustrious career includes the recent No. 1 singles “Dangerous,” “Bruised and Bloodied,” and “Wasteland.”

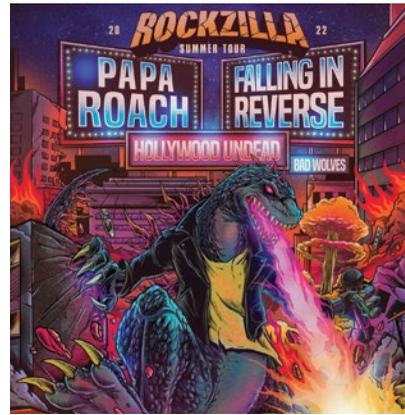


Hollywood Dubuque—Mid-America H.O.G. Rally: Pork Tornadoes with Special Guest Electric Shock

SATURDAY, JULY 23 @ 6 PM

TICKETS: FREE SHOW!

The official send-off party for the first event Mid-America H.O.G. Rally hosted in Dubuque, IA, this totally free party is open everyone with two great regional acts filling the night with music. Perfect for a “H.O.G.” Rally, the Pork Tornadoes are a force like no other, creating a party wherever they go, followed by a ravenous fan base. Every song will leave you singing along and begging for more. Their live show does the talking for them, as well as their signature taglines “Your Girlfriend’s Favorite Band” and “BeardPop.” Opening is AC/DC tribute rockers Electric Shock. Another perfect fit for a H.O.G. Rally! They’ve been perfecting the AC/DC show with a high energy performance, faithfully replicating the legendary band both musically and visually, proving they are the nation’s No. 1 AC/DC show!



Rockzilla Tour: Papa Roach and Falling in Reverse with Special Guests Hollywood Undead and Bad Wolves

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 @ 6:30 PM

TICKETS: \$49.50+

PAPA ROACH HITS: “LAST RESORT,” “HELP,” AND “SCARS”

Take a white-knuckle ride that swerves between lanes of rap-rock, electronic rock, and good ol’ rock n’ roll. The quartet that is Papa Roach has spent more than 20 years veering across freeways that most bands barely have the nerve to occupy, creating a diverse and fearless discography that’s featured hits like “Last Resort,” “Help,” “Scars,” “Falling Apart,” “Swerve,” “Kill the Noise” and many others. Then, shift gears and discover the fine line between genius and insanity that is Falling in Reverse. Experience the vicious bite and playful innuendo of hits such as “Popular Monster,” “The Drug in Me is You,” “Good Girls Bad Guys,” and “I’m Not a Vampire” as this post-hardcore quartet keeps the energy rising. The rock hits will be “Comin’ in Hot” all night with Hollywood Undead, hailing from the streets of Tinseltown. Experiencing the band’s mix of brash hip-hop, rock, and metalcore in tracks like “Undead,” “Everywhere I Go,” “Bullet,” “Day of the Dead,” and “Comin’ in Hot” may be one of a few things happening that you may not want to share with your mom. Tilt your head back and howl into the sky as platinum-certified, heavy metal outfit Bad Wolves kicks off a cram-packed evening of unapologetic hard rock. The LA-based quintet’s unpredictable metallic intensity and impressive instrumental proficiency will shine as bright as the full moon as they perform hits such as “Killing Me Slowly,” “Remember When,” “Sober” and their haunting cover of The Cranberries’ “Zombie.” This will be a nearly five-hour rock and roll feast!



Sam Hunt with Special Guests Warren Zeiders and Sean Stemaly

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 @ 7 PM

TICKETS: \$69.50+

HITS: “BODY LIKE A BACK ROAD,” “HOUSE PARTY,” AND “TAKE YOUR TIME”

Multi-Platinum-selling, award-winning hitmaker Sam Hunt’s sophomore album *Southside* debuted to critical acclaim and was one of the top country albums of 2020 landing at No. 1 on the Billboard Country Albums chart. Named one of the Best Albums of the Year by *The New York Times* and *US Weekly*, the Platinum-selling project features 12 songs all written by Hunt including his No. 1 hits “Kinfolks,” “Breaking Up Was Easy in the 90’s,” one of NPR’s Best Songs of 2020 “Hard To Forget,” and his three-week No. 1, 8x Platinum-selling, Grammy-nominated smash, “Body Like A Back Road.” Hunt’s latest song “23” is playing on country radio now. This follows Hunt’s Grammy-nominated, Triple-Platinum-selling debut album, *Montevallo*, which also topped the Billboard Country Albums chart and produced four No. 1 singles. All 10 tracks on *Montevallo* are RIAA certified with six achieving Platinum or Multi-Platinum status including “Leave the Night On,” “House Party,” “Take Your Time,” “Break Up In A Small Town,” and “Make You Miss Me.” Called “stylistically provocative” by *The New York Times* and “deceptively phenomenal” by *The Washington Post*, Hunt has received accolades from Associated Press, *Billboard*, *Esquire*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Los Angeles Times*, *NPR*, *Rolling Stone*, *SPIN Magazine*, *Village Voice*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and more. Since *Montevallo*’s 2014 release, Hunt has accumulated over 11 billion global streams and has earned 39 million RIAA certified units.

Giant Country Music Concert TBA

EARLY SEPTEMBER

Tickets and details are coming soon [BackWatersStage.com](https://www.BackWatersStage.com). If you’re a country music fan, yer gonna like it... Yer really gonna like it!

Q Casino CEO Alex Dixon shares a vision for Chaplain Schmitt Island

By Bryce Parks

Ending of the greyhound racing era that first brought gaming and much-needed economic development support to our community 40 years ago, Q Casino now eyes what's next. Not just for the casino but for the land that was once a dog track and, indeed, the entire Chaplain Schmitt Island. Since 2014, the development of the island has been part of the city's Master Plan. While you may not see a whole lot happening at eye level right now, like the ducks that calmly inhabit the waters surrounding the casino, under the surface, those who



ALEX DIXON, Q CASINO
PRESIDENT AND CEO

are making those plans are kicking like crazy, preparing for the progress that will soon be hard to miss. A big part of the energy behind engaging the new vision for Schmitt Island is putting a fresh, new energy in place at the top. Almost a year ago, the DRA welcomed Alex Dixon as the new President and CEO of Q Casino and the Dubuque Racing Association. As we enter this exciting season for entertainment outdoors at Q Casino, we thought it was also a great time to meet and catch up with Alex now that he's had time to acclimate to Dubuque, get a feel for the landscape of the community, and eye a path forward for Dubuque's nonprofit casino.

Clearly, from our conversation, Alex wasted no time in setting the groundwork for what's to come. What's to come is exciting, but he is quick to point out that before



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you get to the exciting part, first you must do the very hard work of making it all possible. And doing that hard, behind-the-scenes work of getting all those ducks in a row is exactly the kind of work he comes from.

Alex Dixon was born and raised in Las Vegas, NV, the third generation of a casino and hospitality family. He graduated from Howard University in Washington D.C., studying finance before starting his career in New York with Goldman Sachs doing mergers and acquisitions in the oil and gas industry. He followed an opportunity to work in London for a year in 2005 before following his prior commitment to join their Los Angeles office. Shift to doing mergers and acquisitions in the media and entertainment market, he was on the team that advised Disney's purchase of Pixar.

He met his wife while in L.A., and they moved to Las Vegas, closer to home, to start a family with a child on the way. After some time at a boutique investment bank, the inevitable draw of the hometown industry took him to Caesars Entertainment. Like a lot of big companies, you sometimes must go out to go up the ladder, so Caesars (Harrah's at the time) sent him to Baltimore Maryland which just legalized gaming as assistant General Manager to build and open a casino, hiring 2,200 people.

It was a great time for Alex, allowing him to learn the business inside and out. He was soon enticed by MGM to move to Springfield, MA, and was the opening General Manager for a new casino property there, hiring another 3,000 people in a venue that featured an 8,000-seat arena where stars like Steve Wonder performed. Soon, he was tapped to move

home and serve as President and Chief Operating Officer at the famed Circus Circus Casino in Las Vegas. Then shortly after MGM decided to sell the property, Dixon left gaming for a bit to run a laundry company in Vegas for a year and a half.

Remember here that this is Vegas, and although not very sexy, managing the laundry needs of the casinos of Las Vegas might have been a bigger industry than some of the casinos they serviced. Then COVID hit and there suddenly wasn't a lot of laundry in Vegas. It was at this time last year that Alex got a call from Dubuque, IA, of all places, to come and be the CEO of a nonprofit casino.

Intrigued, he flew out with his wife, and they fell in love with the community and Q Casino's business model of giving back to that community along with doing exciting things like hosting the Back Waters Stage concerts. Greyhound racing was coming to a close, so it also opened up a huge opportunity to transform this island into a great destination. Alex, his wife, and three kids moved to Dubuque in August of 2021, and so far, "it's been awesome!"

"It's a great place to raise kids, and there is so much opportunity across this community," shared Dixon, "and I tell people 'right now, we need more people, to take jobs, to visit and play.' That's a great position to be in as a community, that things are going well, and now we just need more people."

He notes that Q Casino and the DRA currently contribute a lot to the community in the form of grants, and effectively bringing down property taxes.

"Dubuque has the lowest property taxes in the state because between Diamond Jo

Casino and Q Casino, we're big contributors to the city's operational budget. But at the same time, we can be a dynamic catalyst for our community. To do that, you've got to get out. You can't do that in your office, so I do serve on a lot of boards."

Crediting the DRA board way back in the '80s for seeing we have got to turn the tide; the community was going on the defense to try to get some things active. "Now, I'm blessed that we're able to go on the offense. How do we turn up the gas on the stove to get the water boiling a little hotter?"

Coming to Dubuque shortly into 2020 during COVID, the world has changed so much, and the gaming industry is certainly part of that. Sports betting was very new when COVID started. Things like buffets will likely never come back, and, of course, at Q Casino, the Iowa Greyhound Park is now a thing of the past. This convergence of so many changes is just part of the challenges but also the opportunities on Alex Dixon's plate moving forward.

"There is this nexus, but what I think is so amazing is when you take a step back, you know there's always going to be noise, these different elements that can take you away from our core business. Human nature is that we, as people, want to get out. We want to see other people, we want to interact, we want to have fun and play games. There's been a lot of noise around us, but fortunately, we can be that respite for our community and that place that can galvanize the community's attention as a place to have fun, a moment of levity in a world that feels crazy. Have a cold beer, listen to some great music, eat a great meal. We want to

do that for our community. I think our best days are ahead of us, and I'm excited."

When I asked Alex about his vision for Q Casino moving ahead, he said he gets that question a lot and is quick to point out that it's not his vision he's implementing.

"It's what the City of Dubuque and City Council approved in 2014's Master Plan. That document contemplated exactly what we need: additional hotel rooms, an outdoor amphitheater, meeting rooms, a pool, potentially a spa. All these things are already outlined in there. Upgrades to the ball fields, upgrades to the infrastructure on the island. Now we're taking the vision of the City Council and doing the hard work of making it a reality."

So, when it comes to seeing the future of Q Casino, it's an island-sized vision—a Chaplain Schmitt Island-sized vision, not just a casino-sized vision.

"We have enough land down here that we can create a regional destination. The city owns all the land here on the island. I spent a lot of time with the different agency heads of the city as well as the Mayor and City Manager to really work in a collaborative manner to make this happen. If we do this right, we're not just talking about the new things inside the casino but what's happening outside our walls that's going to draw more people here to make our community what I call 'stickier.'"

By that he means another amenity to draw and keep people here along with the Port of Dubuque, downtown, and the Millwork District, but also Dyersville's Field of Dreams and the regional charm of Galena.

"The center of the universe needs to fold back to the Mississippi River. We're unlocking people's ability to get to it because that's our greatest asset."

Later this summer, probably in September according to Dixon, they are going to be able to announce definitively what's is the scope of that vision.

"What we're doing now is what I can the 'call before you dig.' We all know that on this island, there are some environmental considerations. You must know that the foundation on which you're building this stuff is great. It was once the city dump, and this is a great representation of how we're about to evolve. You can go fast and dumb or be diligent and bring people along and do something much greater."

"I think a hotel is something that's definitely in the works. We needed it pre-COVID, and we more than needed it afterward. Now what we're doing is taking this deep breath and seeing what wasn't in place before COVID. There wasn't a lease for the DRA to be able to develop the area where the greyhounds ran. That's now in place. One-third of the profits of the casino will go towards developing the island. That wasn't in place before.

So, to that end, we have the capacity to really build something special, and it takes time in order to do it right. We're involved in making that happen meet on a weekly basis to hash out the game plan that can get financed and that can get the backing of the DRA board to create something special for the community.

As an outsider coming in, one thing we take for granted was immediately notable to Alex as an under-tapped resource.

"Growing up in the middle of the desert where water is so scarce, it is amazing to me, moving here, to see such limited access to the Mississippi. The river here was a function of industry, and that cut off the general public's ability to physically get out and touch the river. You can drive onto Schmitt Island today and not really know it's an island because you don't see a body of water when you come. We have to change the orientation of our property such that the river is not in the backyard, but the river is at the forefront when you come in. Right now, the dog kennels have the most beautiful view of the river. There are opportunities, as we think about the design, on how do we get people here. We can change that orientation so they know this is one of the few places north and south that John Q. Public can walk up and physically touch the river. That's number one at a local level."

It was walking his dogs on the trails behind the casino when Alex first came to town that it occurred to him that the river, the water, was literally right there behind the casino. It was an ah-ha moment.

"This is the first thing you need to see. We need to have the 5k runs, the people walking and public art to experience. There are immediate 'elbow grease' projects we can do to make the trails, lighting, and signage look better. For us and the city, this is something that shows that someone's looking and paying attention and they care. We can do that quickly without a lot of money, and we're in the process of doing that now."

"Longer term, we have a great Back Waters Stage concert series. The master plan contemplated an outdoor amphitheater. We all deserve to have nice things. We're going to build a great outdoor amphitheater. Part of this is now figuring out the plans of where it can go, and what are the amenities it needs to have. We already have a great outdoor Back Waters Stage offering, let's now put it in a really nice place. There will be small tweaks that people will be able to see from last year when they come down to the Back Waters Stage. We're studying intently so when we make an investment or when we design a great outdoor space, we know what are the key components that we need to build it. It's not revolutionary, it's just evolving so that we have a great asset everyone can be proud about."

"We have to be able to attract a broader cross-section of Dubuque and the region. Your local casino has so many other things that you can do other than gambling, but that's always going to be at the core of what we do. We're going to have a great remodel of our core casino that will be hyper-competitive with any regional casino in America."

Dixon believes that what is going to make Q Casino different will be its connectivity with everything else people can do around them. This year, they've taken on staffing responsibilities over at the Mystique Ice Arena and eventually want to work on a management deal for that venue as well. He sees an opportunity to help enhance the ballfields on Schmitt Island and the RV park. What can Q Casino do to help these facilities have great amenities? Once again, he reinforces Q's need to define themselves by what happens outside of their four walls.

"And inside those four walls, you have to constantly reinvest. Dining is not going to be in the traditional buffet format. Across the industry, we are seeing those go away. There's a lot of waste, and it's hard to be great at them. That doesn't mean you can't have great food. We must have great outlets and amenities that drive the core casino guest, but we have to have restaurants that are open and available for people who are under 21 to come to as well. It just doesn't make any sense to only cater to people over 21."

"And we need to do more to activate Dubuque, period. Our business is dependent upon how many people live close

to us and how well-off those people are. To that end, it's in our business's best interest to help Dubuque be the best it can be and the surrounding communities, too. We want this whole Driftless Region to be hoppin'. It's time for us to elevate our overall hospitality experience."

Part of the new focus means shifting the grants made by the DRA to organizations and partner businesses that bolster that community improvement mission.

"We've received a phenomenal response so far as it relates to our philanthropic side in terms of our giving and being a lot more strategic there. Now from an overall Q Casino marketing side, this is the community's casino. The better the Q does, the better the community does. We want to find strategic partners where there is a mutually beneficial relationship to elevate the overall scene."

"Imagine a water taxi that can take you to the Yardarm, Schmitt Island, and to the Port. That's the art of the possible. We have the ability to support an initiative like that. As a community, we have to say, 'Why not us?' I don't have a monopoly on good ideas. It's not all going to come from us or our staff. We're going to have to have these relationships, and it's part of why I sit on a bunch of different boards. It's to listen and to listen to our front-line team members here. All the good answers are out there. You just have to be humble enough to ask the right people and to listen. Then be structured enough to put one foot in front of the other and make steady progress." ■



CHAPLAIN SCHMITT ISLAND ILLUSTRATIVE MASTER PLAN WITH OPTIONS FOR HOUSING, RETAIL, AND MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM



Enjoying locally-made alcoholic beverages right where they were made (mostly).

By Bryce Parks

The Iowa Brewers Guild proudly announced that Governor Kim Reynolds has signed a proclamation declaring June 2022 as Iowa Craft Brew Month. The proclamation demonstrates the broad economic and community impact the craft brewing industry has on the state of Iowa and coincides with the Iowa Craft Brew Festival.

Well, well, what timing we have! Welcome to part one of *365ink's* big two-part look at places locally where you can go and enjoy the beverages that were also brewed locally, usually right there on site where you are visiting. By the way, we'll be visiting wineries next issue.

Much like the rest of the country, craft brewing has simply exploded in the Tri-States, and we wonder if you even know of all the options that are out there. You probably have heard of the breweries, but you may not know they were right here in Dubuque, Dyersville, and Galena. And, of course, if you keep traveling out not to far past the edge of the county, you will find more and more breweries. You will also find that many more traditional bars in the area have kept up with the Joneses by featuring scores of Iowa and Midwest brews on their taps. But we had to draw the line somewhere or we would be publishing a phone book.

So for this feature, we tried to stick to breweries who are serving their very own brews. But we admit even there we had some mission-creep. Dubuque Star Brewery might be new, local, and exciting, but it's technically brewed by license elsewhere and served here. But, come on man... Star beer is back! Rejoice! And Backpocket is brewed in Coralville, IA, but they built out an awesome taphouse down in the Millwork District that features their delicious brews, so they're practically family. And the new Darkbird Taphouse in Peosta, IA doesn't brew their own beer, but they are practically a shrine to beers brewed here in Iowa,

and they're brand new and super cool. So they're in too! And we threw in Blaum Bros. because they're doing distilling right over there in Galena, so duh!

And we were so happy to see "friendly" be the key part of "friendly competition" amongst local brewers. Their shared love of the craft puts them in rare company, and it would see mutual respect leads to new ideas and even collaboration. Just this week as I was writing this, I saw social media posts where the brewers from Dimensional Brewing Co. and Jubeck New World Brewing were together creating a new brew, Friendly Skies, a hazy IPA that will be served at both of their tasting rooms when it's ready. Very cool!

If your bar or favorite bar didn't make the cut, we're sorry. We totally tip our glasses to the fact that so many hot spots are highlighting the stellar local beer brands and inventive flavors that are coming out of communities all around us. But right now, let's take a quick tour of those who (mostly) actually brew all themselves, from the hops up!



Dimensional Brewing Company

67 MAIN ST, DUBUQUE

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HOURS: WED-THU: 2-10 PM;

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Dimensional Brewing Company is situated between historic downtown and the Port to the Mississippi River. The gorgeous restored industrial building has a wonderful arched ceiling, and the front wall is glass garage doors that open to the street during good weather, making for a stellar hang-out atmosphere for beers, food, and music. They regularly release new beers and host unique events. "At Dimensional we're all about beer, and we love to make it, so we're constantly releasing something unique." And they always have a variety of styles on tap, so if you're looking for something new and interesting to try, or a stone-cold classic, they've got you covered.

Seriously, they have a LOT of their brews on tap and seem to be continually rolling out new releases. Check out this resume: Fiesta de Pantalones (Mexican

lager), Pilsner Dubuque, Atlast Hefe (wheat), Momma Burd (shandy), Builder the Bob (brown ale), Bussin' (IPA), Purple Lemonzine (sour/fruited), Yeah, Sher (sour/fruited), Hopaveli (pale ale), Bill Brewski (IPA), Claw Machine (IPA), Toaster Treats (sour-smoothie/pastry), Incogneato (IPA), Neat (stout/Blaum Brothers rye barrel), Vallon (stout), Spritz (cherry limeade hard seltzer), Flabongo: Gin & Juice (sour/fruited), and Jacked UP: Apple Pie (cider). Wine is also available. The brewing team loves to explore a wide array of beers and collaborate with a variety of breweries. These folks are real beer drinkers and insist on the juice they create being worth the squeeze. Stop in for a tour, and they'll show you the ropes.

Hungry? The mouth-watering BBQ of Flatted Fifth Blues & BBQ in Bellevue, IA has a satellite location inside Dimensional (Wednesday-Sunday) to perfectly pair with whatever brew you've tapped into, and you'd better believe you can get a sample flight to try a few at a time. Sometimes Flatted Fifth takes a day off and a local food truck fills in on site to keep the eats rollin'. And being at the end of lower Main St., the epicenter of nightlife in Dubuque doesn't hurt the vibe either. Live music is also regularly on tap.



7 Hills Brewing Company

1085 WASHINGTON ST, DUBUQUE

563-587-8306

7HILLSBREW.COM

FACEBOOK: @7HILLSBREW

HOURS: SUN-THU: 11 AM-10 PM;

FRI-SAT: 11 AM-MIDNIGHT

7 Hills Brewing Company calls a beautifully-repurposed rustic warehouse home in Dubuque's Historic Millwork District. Under the high ceilings, the dining area has a giant central bar and big stage for live music with the brewing tanks right there for all to see. Their goal is to restore a rich brewing tradition that once permeated the state of Iowa of which Dubuque was the "O.G." of brewers. They pride themselves on their attention to detail combined with years of experience, pushing the boundaries of brewing progress in an effort to discover fresh and innovative techniques to craft their food, drinks, and entertainment.

Their flagship brews include 7 Headed Monster (IPA), Bernie's Red Ale, Town

Clock (Pilsner), Millworx Mule (Ginger), and Blueberry Lemony Winks (What). An impressive list of seasonal features joins with fun names like Purple Reign, Wonky Kong, and Cinco de Funko, covering flavor pallets from malty roasty and hoppy to bitter and sour and tart, barrel aged, and crushable, which means to add fun stuff from peaches and vanilla to oatmeal cookies and marshmallow. Yeah, you heard me! They also usually have a great homemade batch of kombucha on tap in rotating flavors as well as signature craft cocktails which you can actually get to go.

7 Hills has always had a great menu with beer-friendly starters from wings and nachos to fried pickles and spicy Brussels sprouts. Their salads are just lip service. Ahi tuna, salmon, and Asian chicken highlight some happy healthy-ish options. Brisket burgers are their bread and butter, so to speak, with a half dozen special versions. An actual brisket sandwich is joined by pulled pork, chicken, and vegetarian options served in various styles from Nashville Hot to Cuban to Hawaiian and Club-style. If that wasn't enough, a selection of mac and cheeses will put you right to sleep and on Friday and Saturday nights. Get home-smoked favorites like baby back ribs and brisket after 4 p.m. On evenings after 4 p.m. all week, add steak, seared tuna, fried fish, and grilled salmon to the mix.

And it's right there in the bustling new Dubuque hotspot at the Millwork District. They were actually first to the party and are still at the top of their game as the neighborhood roared back to life around them. Come and see why! And don't forget their new satellite locations: 7 Hills North (92 E Main St, Platteville, WI) and 7 Hills West (coming soon inside Hurricane Lanes Bowling Center in Dyersville, IA, 703 13th Ave. SE).



Jubeck New World Brewing

115 W 11th ST, DUBUQUE
775-375-5692

JUBECKBREWING.COM

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HOURS: WED: 4-8:30 PM; THU-FRI: 4-10 PM;

SAT: NOON-10 PM

Before breweries started popping up all over, Jubeck New World Brewing quietly started putting out truly amazing brews

from their unassuming location on W 11th Street. They were a cover story of *365ink* back in November of 2014. From the very beginning, their passion has been great beer AND great friends to drink it with. They sprung to life thanks to a successful Kickstarter campaign in 2013, and their first six beers were on tap a year later. In their tap room, the warmth of friendly faces and the excitement of modern craft beer fosters conversation and welcomes you back time and again. And while you will indeed find a bustling crowd or really serious beer lovers filling the room at the end of each week, a big part of Jubeck's business model is their to-go brews and memberships. This year, they are working to expand the tap room to also fill the much larger bar space next door that has been home to The Wolfhound and for so long, the Aragon Tap.

These days, you can find about 10 beers at time on tap including Carnegie Stout Warrior Stout, Lavender Honey Wheat (herbal, medium-bodied), Elderfolly (Belgian-style Dubbel), Scud Runner (Hazy IPA), Czech Brewnette (Czech-style dark lager brewed by the ladies of Jubeck), English Pub Ale, Czech Pale Lager, Creamy Vanilla Ale, and Jacked Cider. When the beer is this good, you just don't need silly names to sell it.

They don't serve food but welcome it into the establishment. Oolong Asian Cuisine, L.May Eatery, Salsa's Mexican Restaurant, Shugga's Soul Cafe, and Mario's Italian Restaurant are all super close by.

Their memberships work much like a CSA farm share but instead of veggies, you get growlers of wonderful beer! A quarter share is \$200 and full share is \$700, and with that, you get beer credits that you can put toward col-pack cans. Find much more information on their website.



Textile Brewing Company

146 2nd ST NE, DYERSVILLE, IA
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You will find delicious brews to be paired with the massive Bavarian pretzel, pretzel bites, and flatbread (gluten-free option available). Check out these pretzel options: classic, bacon, German, honeyham & swiss, pizza, cinnamon roll, French toast, garlic parmesan, and "Everything." The flatbread pizza come in meat, German, BBQ chicken, buffalo chicken, cowboy, The Local, Mexican, and cheese, and are also available on a gluten-free cauliflower crust. And don't forget the beer cheese nachos with chicken or chorizo!

They offer dine-in, take-out, and curbside service. Textile also has a dog-friendly Biergarten with umbrellas and fire pits. With the help of friends from the Iowa Green Brewery Association, they were able to realize the positive impact they are making on the environment through their beer-making and day-to-day processes. The brewery is owned by Tom Olberding, Managed by Zach Northdorf, and Nick Ashton is the all important Head Brewer.



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HOURS: MON-THU: 3-9 PM; FRI-SAT: 11 AM-10 PM;
SUN: 11 AM-9 PM

This satellite location of Textile Brewing Company boasts twenty local taps with craft beer and hard ciders. Always featuring seven brews from Textile Brewing Company, plus fine spirits, mixed drinks, cocktails, and local wine.



Galena Brewing Company

227 N MAIN ST, GALENA, IL

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HOURS: WED-THU: 4-9 PM; FRI-SAT: 11 AM-11 PM;
SUN: 11 AM-9 PM

If there's a more welcomingly convenient place to have a great local brewery that right along Main Street in historic downtown Galena, we don't know it. Bringing back Galena's rich brewing history in the 1800s when nine breweries set up shop here. The last of which, The Galena Brewing Company operated from the end of Prohibition until about 1938. Owner Warren Bell's mission is to celebrate with their customers, the delights of God's gracious provisions of food, drink, song, and conversation, in a family-friendly ambience.

The beautifully-restored pub features a full bar and, of course, 13 taps with both their flagship brews and favorite seasonals flowing. NABA award-winning brews include Anna Belle's IPA, Uly's Dark (oatmeal stout), Fevre River Ale (Hefeweizen), and the Uptown Nut Brown Ale won a silver medal at the 2012 World Beer Cup. More favors include the Miner's Treasure (amber ale) and Farmer's Blonde Ale. Seasonals might find you enjoying The Duke of Earl (coffee milk stout), UDDerly Tro-Hopical (NE IPA), Nordic Forager (American Pale Ale), Thirsty Squirrel (Pecan Nut Brown Ale), Cherry Transfusion (Wheat/Fruit), Gingy (Gingerbread Brown Ale), or a Frenchie (Bière De Garde).

The food menu features the "best baked wings in Galena," salads, nachos, burgers, and the plentiful appetizers and shareables including their famous one-pound soft pretzel. Gluten free, vegan, and vegetarian options are available, too. Nothing is fried, and nothing is grilled. Everything is baked for your health.

Live music and beer pairing dinners (June 24) are among the special things you can find going on at the Galena Brewing Company throughout the year. You can also take part in a 30-minute brewery tour on Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. See all of the workings of the Galena Brewing Company, plus a pint of beer or glass of wine of your choice for \$18. No reservations necessary, up to 14 people. But maybe the best thing about

this place is that it's a wonderful spot to get off your feet and enjoy a cool one after hours of shopping along Main Street. Sold!



Backpocket Brewing

333 E 10TH ST, DUBUQUE

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HOURS: TUE-THU: 4-10 PM;

FRI-SAT: 4 PM-MIDNIGHT; SUN: NOON-6 PM

Though not brewed in Dubuque, it is brewed in the region (Coralville, IA), so we're going to touch on them quickly because it a great bar with good food and great amenities. They have a big gathering space for events and a stunning down-stairs gaming arcade... old school style.

We counted 17 craft beers of their own devising on tap covering all of the popular styles with some great twists and ciders too. We love the Bytes menu with is basic (but creative) tacos, wings, mac and cheeses, and chips and dips. They're all good, we can attest, and we're a bit addicted to the fish tacos. They prove that Iowa's kickin' out great beers all over.



Catfish Creek Brew Pub

(AT CATFISH CHARLIE'S)

1630 16TH ST, DUBUQUE

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FACEBOOK: @CATFISHCHARLIESDUBUQUE

HOURS: SUN-MON: 11 AM-8 PM;

WED-THU: 11 AM-8 PM; FRI-SAT: 11 AM-9 PM

Did you know Catfish Charlie's, Dubuque's home for great fish, seafood, smoked meat, and other food-based love, also brews their own beers? Indeed they do. In addition to the usual beer and wine offerings from the restaurant, you can usually sample close to 10 homemade

brews. The list usually includes these ones year round; Lock 11 Light (light ale), Bushwacker (light ale), Golden Eagle Ale, Menominee Citra IPA, Ice Harbor IPA, Sandy Bottom Brown Ale, and Dead Man's Stout (milk/sweet). Charlie also offers his own private Label CCrets Whiskey.

The food menu is big and full of great fish including local catfish and fun stuff like alligator cheeks. Trust me, you'll love them. But maybe the best thing is the view. Located on the waters of the Mississippi, you can't beat the view and the vibe out on the giant patio. They also host special summer food events like hog roasts, shrimp boils, and an alligator roast. Check the website for dates. You can also catch a ride on the American Lady cruise yacht from here. They have it all, even their own beer. It's hardly fair.



Darkbird Taphouse

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Darkbird Taphouse is the hottest and newest craft kitchen in Dubuque County, and there's nothing else quite like it within 75 miles of our area. Darkbird features a constant rotating craft beer list that changes each time you visit. There have already been more than 100 different brews that made their way through their taps, and they aren't stopping there. They focus most of their attention on Iowa breweries with a few out-of-state surprises every now and again which you'd be lucky to catch and get a taste of.

Some familiar faces regularly make their appearances on the beer list such as Barntown Brewery out of West Des Moines, IA; Lion Bridge Brewery out of Cedar Rapids, IA; Lua Brewing out of Des Moines, IA; and of course, Dimensional Brewing Company out of Dubuque, who works closely with Darkbird to be sure they always have a wide variety of Dimensional beer on tap! Darkbird also features a LARGE variety of craft beer and seltzers in cans to be purchased to go. Better yet, you can even drink anything from the cooler that's not on tap in house.

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Their patio is open and ready for you to come enjoy their fire pits, large patio/deck space, and soon yard games once the grass comes in. They already have a fully-booked summer of live music and plan to have music every Saturday—and some Sundays! Darkbird is also open to host events of all kinds.

To get to Darkbird Taphouse, take Cox Springs Rd or Thunder Hills Rd to the frontage road they are located on.



Dubuque Star Brewery

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FACEBOOK: @STONECLIFFWINERY
 We saved the oldest/newest for last of the beers. The famous Dubuque Star beer comes back to life in 2022 as Stone Cliff Winery, which has inhabited the venerable Dubuque Star Brewery for many years, is now able to reintroduce the brand that put Dubuque on the map. Beginning this summer, look for Dubuque Star beer to return to the Star Brewery tasting room. Eight beers will be on tap that bring back the history of the building they are served in. Naturally, they will also offer beer flights and Star Beer-branded merchandise.

Initially the beer will be manufactured off site at Potosi Brewing (so, still local!) until such a time that they are set to handle the process internally. For starters, beginning on Friday, July 1, six to eight Dubuque Star beers will be on tap for consumption in the tasting room and patio as well as carry out in growlers. They will include a lager, IPA, ale, pilsner, and seasonal varieties which will be provided on a rotating basis.

The lobby of the building has the original brew tank; the steam engine that

ran the building; and hundreds of pictures, artifacts, and the history of Dubuque Star.

Stone Cliff Winery will remain unchanged and will be co-located with the brewery operation, which just received federal and state approval to operate as Dubuque Star Brewery. All Stone Cliff staff and management will be involved in the brewery operation, owned and operated by Bob and Nan Smith and Jodi Bryson.



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It was all smiles and sunshine at this year's Music on the Mountain festival at Sundown Mountain Ski Resort.



A Respect Life Rally in Washington Park brought out overwhelming support (in the rain) for taking action against gun violence in America. Photo by Bob Felderman.



Tara Duggan was crowned champion at the Dubuque Area Chamber of Commerce's Dubuque Dances with the Stars event on June 4, and also raised \$24,000 for her partner charity, The Dubuque Community YMCA /YWCA. 7 others also danced for great causes.



Lt. Shannon from the Dubuque Police Dept. races kids on the playground at Hoover School. We won't tell you who lost, bad.



The Dubuque Chamber Ambassadors wave to the Riverboat Twilight following its recent renovation for the 2022 season and a fresh ribbon cutting to boot. Photo by Ron Tigges, digitaldubuque.com.



The Ski Bellevue Waterski Team returns to the Mississippi for an amazing show. Catch them again on June 18 at 4 PM and July 3 at 6 PM. Photo by Joshaway Bush.



Birds. (Serious) Fried Chicken strutted away from Galena's Food Truck Fight with a victory on a somewhat rainy Saturday.



Another moving and memorable Honor Flight of Dubuque and the Tri-States visit to the memorials on the National Mall in Washington D.C. on May 23rd.



Despite the rain, fans showed up for "One", the Metallica tribute band, outdoors in East Dubuque as part of Juice Ride 11, a motorcycle ride supporting heroes like young Sage Steuer who is currently in a cancer battle.

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ALL-STAR BLIZZARD LINEUP

DRUMSTICK with peanuts

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After being sold out for 2.5 years, the last rescheduled pre-COVID concert at Five Flags, Home Free, finally hit the stage. Photo by Bob Felderman.



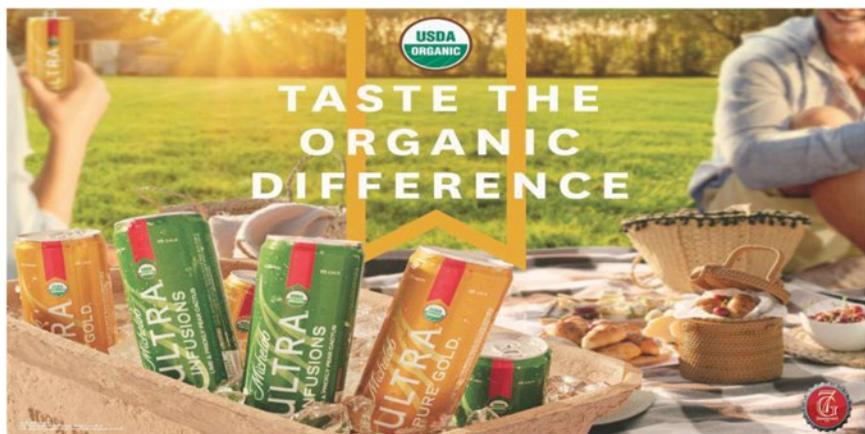
The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra's Ultimate County Hits Concert filled the Mississippi Moon Bar for two big nights! Photo by Steven Schleuning.

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Market on the Mississippi:
Jeff Theisen
4:30 PM @ River Ridge
Brewing (Bellevue, IA)

Millwork Night Market: Kristina
Marie Castañeda, Shawn Healy,
and Ben Dunegan
5 PM @ 7th-9th and Jackson St

Mark Zalaznik
5 PM @ Lina's Lounge

Secrets
5 PM @ Jimmy's Pub
(East DBQ, IL)

Cruisin' Thursdays: Madhouse
5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
East DBQ, IL

Adam Beck
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Joie Wails
6 PM @ Trackside (Peosta, IA)

Johnnie Walker & Kevin Beck
6 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
(Dyersville, IA)

Casey Klein
6 PM @ PrairieMoon On Main
(Prairieburg, IA)

Ozzy & Bon Joe B
6:30 PM @ Yardarm

Guttenberg German Band
7 PM @ Eagle Point Park
Band Shell

Jimmy Welty Band
7 PM @ Milestone Event Center
(Farley, IA)

Jordan Danielsen
7 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

FRI 6/10

Food Truck Fridays:
Ralph Kluseman
Noon @ Washington Park

Wayne Cook
4:30 PM @ Rivers Massey Marina

Music on Main:
Avey Grouws Band
5 PM @ Town Clock Plaza

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

Secrets
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Party on Purpose II: 11 The Band
6 PM @ Wartburg
Theological Seminary

Rock Steady
6 PM @ Asbury Eagles Club
(Asbury, IA)

Stone-Wolfe Duo
6 PM @ Lacoma Golf
(East DBQ, IL)

Searchlight Soul
6 PM @ Coconut Cove
(Hazel Green, WI)

Joie Wails
6 PM @ O So Good Winery
(Dyersville, IA)

Downtown Summer Nights:
The Beach Bums
6:30 PM @ Downtown
Dyersville, IA

Todd Albricht
7 PM @ The Lift

Ja Rule, Ginuwine,
Ying Yang Twins
7 PM @ Q Casino Back
Waters Stage

Sarah Day
7 PM @ Mid-Town Marina
(East DBQ, IL)

Mixed Emotions
7 PM @ Hilltop in Menominee
(Menominee, IL)

Emily Webb
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Meghan Davis
7:30 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Blake Burkhart
8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

Meatplow
8 PM @ Yardarm

Dylan Doyle
8 PM @ Flatted Fifth Blues
& BBQ (Bellevue, IA)

SAT 6/11
Keith Scott @ Noon
Kara Gordon @ 5 PM
Galena Cellars Downtown
(Galena, IL)

Galena Pride Picnic
Sarah Lentini and
Kara Gordon @ Noon
Drag Show @ 3 PM
Grant Park (Galena, IL)

Mound Music Festival
Americana Band @ Noon
Meghan Davis and
Dylan Doyle @ 2 PM
Jef Spradley @ 4:30 PM
Bryan Popp @ 6 PM
Wicked Liz and the
Belly Swirls @ 8 PM
Scales Mound Park
(Scales Mound, IL)

Johnnie Walker
1:30 PM @ Fergedaboutit
Winery (Hanover, IL)

Palomino Band
2 PM @ Rivers Massey Marina

Welcome to Summer:
Megan Kimberly, Bella, TBA
2 PM @ Third Corner

Adam & Amber
2 PM @ Coconut Cove
(Hazel Green, WI)

Joie Wails
2 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Steve McIntyre
2 PM @ Galena Cellars
Vineyard (Galena, IL)

Tony Walker
3 PM @ Millennium
Marina (East DBQ, IL)

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Roy Schroedl
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Sunshine Band
6 PM @ Cajun Jack's
(Elizabeth, IL)

Secrets
6 PM @ Hawg Dogs
(Savanna, IL)

Theresa Rosetta
7 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

Steve-O
7 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Clark Wilkinson
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Dillard, Hoax., Zonik, Ono
7 PM @ Smokestack

Joey Valenti
7 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Meghan Davis
7:30 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Blake Burkhart
8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

Buckle Band
8 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

Rock Steady
8 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Lonesome Road
8 PM @ Yardarm

Mr Ed
8 PM @ Galena Brewing Co
(Galena, IL)

Marc Bailey
8:30 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co

SUN 6/12
Broken Rubber Band
Noon @ Lina's Lounge

Tony Walker
1 PM @ Yardarm

Joie Wails
1 PM @ Millennium Marina
(East DBQ, IL)

The Other 2
1 PM @ O So Good Winery
(Dyersville, IA)

Ukrainian Relief Program:
Hana Velde, Ann Duchow,
Hannah Von Mulert
1:30 PM @ DBQ Museum of Art

Three Quarter Buzz
2 PM @ Rivers Massey Marina

Big Night Out
2 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Steve Cavanaugh &
Randy Droessler
2 PM @ Tony Roma's

The Mississippi Duo
2 PM @ The Corner Taproom
(Cascade, IA)

Todd Ellis
2 PM @ Gehlen Barn
(St. Donatus, IA)

DR Duo
2 PM @ Bellevue Golf Course
(Bellevue, IA)

Jef Spradley
2 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Pat Kennedy and
Boots Hefel Band
2 PM @ Potosi Brewery
(Potosi, WI)

Walking Molly
2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery
(Guttenberg, IA)

Elizabeth Mary
3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Johnnie Walker
3 PM @ Sunset Ridge Winery

Bob and Gus
3 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Frank Martin Busch & the Names
3 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern
(Hazel Green, WI)

Music in the Gardens:
Fortunate Sons
6:30 PM @ DBQ Arboretum
& Botanical Gardens

MON 6/13
Bob Log 3, Hayes Noble,
Riff Worm
9 PM @ The Lift

TUE 6/14
Hangin' Around
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Summer Nights at the Plaza:
The Honey Pies
6 PM @ Ryland Park
(Lancaster, WI)

WED 6/15
Steve McIntyre
6 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Summer Organ Concert Series:
Mark Babcock
7 PM @ Sinsinawa Mound
(Sinsinawa, WI)

THU 6/16
Market on the Mississippi:
Jeff Theisen
4:30 PM @ River Ridge
Brewing (Bellevue, IA)

Joie Wails
5 PM @ Lina's Lounge

Cruisin' Thursdays:
Laura & The Longhairs
5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
East DBQ, IL

Dubuque Harley Davidson Bike
Nights: Moonshine Run
6 PM @ DBQ Harley Davidson

Mixed Emotions
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
6 PM @ Trakside (Peosta, IA)

Maquoketa Summer Concert
Series: Cody Road
6 PM @ Downtown Green
Space (Maquoketa, IA)

Ace Jones
6:30 PM @ Yardarm

Tri-State Wind Symphony
7 PM @ Alliant Energy
Amphitheater

Brett Young, Chris Lane
7 PM @ Five Flags Arena

Songwriters Showcase:
Fete de la Musique
7 PM @ Galena CFA (Galena, IL)

Kristina Marie Castañeda &
Shawn Healy
7 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Jackson County Pro Rodeo:
Jimmy Welty Band
9 PM @ Bellevue Horsemen's
Club (Bellevue, IA)

FRI 6/17
Danny Parker Project
5 PM @ Knickers Saloon

Kristina Marie Castañeda &
Shawn Healy
5 PM @ Park Farm Winery
(Durango, IA)

Great Galena Balloon Race:
Joie Wails and the Ty Bailey
Band
5:30 PM @ Eagle Ridge
Resort & Spa North Course
Practice Range (Galena, IL)

Big Night Out
6 PM @ Burkey's Bar and Grill

Secrets
6 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn



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Sun Green
7 PM @ Smokestack

Big Medicine
7 PM @ Third Corner

Jordan Danielson
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort (Bellevue, IA)

Hearthfire Duo
7:30 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Jeanie Doogan
8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

Taste Like Chicken
8 PM @ Yardarm

Jackson County Pro Rodeo:
Big John Hammer and the Rusty Nails
9 PM @ Bellevue Horsemen's Club (Bellevue, IA)

Frank Bang
10 PM @ The Lift

SAT 6/18

Daniel Stratman @ Noon
Dave Martin @ 5 PM
Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

DR Band
1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard (Galena, IL)

Taking The Pearl
1:30 PM @ Fergedaboudit Winery (Hanover, IL)

Rock Steady
2 PM @ Rivers Massey Marina

Jeff Theisen
2 PM @ Coconut Cove (Hazel Green, WI)

Chuck Murphy
2 PM @ Off Shore Resort (Bellevue, IA)

Gypsy
3 PM @ Millennium Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Brews & Blues: TKO, Big Cat Eddie, The Smokehouse Band
3 PM @ Ryland Park (Lancaster, WI)

Big Night Out
3 PM @ Wisconsin Riverside Resort (Spring Green, WI)

Great Galena Balloon Race:
The Wundo Band
5:30 PM @ Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa North Course Practice Range (Galena, IL)

Joie Wails
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Jeffrey Messerole
6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

Matt Hamilton
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The Clauson Family Show
7 PM @ Ohnward Fine Arts Center (Maquoketa, IA)

Wapsi River Ramblers
7 PM @ Cajun Jack's (Elizabeth, IL)

Who Are These Guys
7:30 PM @ Mid-Town Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Hearthfire Duo
7:30 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

The Jimmys
7:30 PM @ Galena CFA (Galena, IL)

Jeanie Doogan
8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

Foo Foo Dolls
8 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

Steve Kalmes
8 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Johnny Trash
8 PM @ Yardarm

ELL Songs
8 PM @ Galena Brewing Co (Galena, IL)

Aaron Kelly Band
8 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Reggae Rapids
8:30 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
8:30 PM @ Denny's Lux Club

Secrets
8:30 PM @ The Big House (Petersburg, IA)

Jackson County Pro Rodeo:
Matt McPherson Band
9 PM @ Bellevue Horsemen's Club (Bellevue, IA)

Acoustic D.O.G.S.
w/ Lenny Wayne
9 PM @ Lock 12 (Bellevue, IA)

SUN 6/19

Corey Jenny @ Noon
Heather Cunard @ 3 PM
Lina's Lounge

Big Night Out
1 PM @ Yardarm

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1 PM @ Cajun Jack's (Elizabeth, IL)

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2 PM @ Tony Roma's

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2 PM @ Millennium Marina
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Joie Wails Acoustics
2 PM @ Gehlen Barn
(St. Donatus, IA)

Laura McDonald & Robbie Bahr
2 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Darrell, Jacque and Connie
2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery
(Guttenberg, IA)

Three Quarter Buzz
3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Joey Valenti
3 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Avey Grouws Duo
3 PM @ Tabor Home Winery
(Baldwin, IA)

Laura & The Longhairs
3 PM @ New Diggings General
Store (New Diggings, WI)

Mark Zalaznik
4 PM @ Park Farm Winery
(Durango, IA)

Joe Wails Band
5 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern
(Hazel Green, WI)

Music in the Gardens:
Hunter Fuerste
6:30 PM @ DBQ Arboretum
& Botanical Gardens

River City Tanlines,
The Scratch Offs
9 PM @ The Lift

MON 6/20
Lancaster Community Band
7 PM @ Schreiner Memorial
Library Plaza (Lancaster, WI)

TUE 6/21
Ace Jones
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

WED 6/22
Party for the Planet Concert
4 PM @ Miller Riverview Park

Maureen Kilgore
6 PM @ Mid-Week Market

Summer Organ Concert Series:
David Jonies
7 PM @ Sinsinawa Mound
(Sinsinawa, WI)

THU 6/23
Mixed Emotions
5 PM @ Lina's Lounge

Cruisin' Thursdays:
Kevin Beck & Johnnie Walker
5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
East DBQ, IL

Jimmy Welty Band
5:30 PM @ Jimmy's Pub
(East DBQ, IL)

Tony Walker
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Gypsy
6 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
(Dyersville, IA)

Casey Klein
6:30 PM @ Yardarm

Big Band Express
7 PM @ Eagle Point Park
Band Shell

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
7 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Shekinah King Music
7 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Jake Stringer
10 PM @ The Lift

FRI 6/24
TGIF on the Patio: Chuck Murphy
4 PM @ Hotel Julien
Riverboat Lounge

Secrets
6 PM @ Burkey's Bar and Grill

Joie Wails
6 PM @ Spirits, Days Inn

Jef Spradley
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Ron Lubbers
6 PM @ Lacoma Golf
(East DBQ, IL)

Johnnie Walker
6 PM @ Coconut Cove
(Hazel Green, WI)

King Explosion:
Elvis Tribute Artists
7 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino
Mississippi Moon Bar

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
7 PM @ Locals Bar (Eppworth, IA)

Casey Klein
7 PM @ The Palace Saloon
(Dyersville, IA)

Nate Jenkins
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(St. Donatus, IA)

Adam Beck
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Ian Gould
7:30 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Mike Lebovitz
8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

The Michael Mikrut Band
8 PM @ Yardarm

Acoustic D.O.G.S
8 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Rock Steady
8:30 PM @ Lock 12 (Bellevue, IA)

Maness Brothers, Woodcreeper
10 PM @ The Lift

Cirque Du Buque Cabaret
Drag Show
10 PM @ Smokestack

SAT 6/25
Dyersville Downtown Market:
Matt Gogel
8 AM @ 3rd Ave SW & 3rd St,
Dyersville, IA

Corkless in Galena Wine Festival
Jordan Danielson &
Jef Spradley @ Noon
Miles Nielsen &
the Rusted Hearts @ 3 PM
Depot Park (Galena, IL)

John Moran @ Noon
Jef Spadley @ 5 PM
Galena Cellars Downtown
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Trivia
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Wed @ 8 PM
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Trivia Night Live
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Smokestack

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Thu @ 9 PM
Southend Tap

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w/ GQ Entertainment
Fri @ 8:30 PM
7 Hills Brewing Co

Karaoke
Fri @ 9 PM
Southend Tap

DJ Maica
Fri @ 10 PM
1st & Main

SATURDAY

Picnic Basket Concerts:
Gladdy Ressler, Jamie Jones
Sat @ Noon
Council Hill Station
(Council Hill, IL)

Prime Rib Dinner and Dance
w/ Ron Lubbers
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Donnie Baker

OCTOBER 15 @ 8 PM

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The character of Baker first made an appearance on *The Bob & Tom* comedy radio show in 2005, when Sexton was doing voice work on a number of characters for popular episodes. After growing attached to a particular character, Sexton decided to take it to the stage, and so developed Donnie Baker and the Pork Pistols—a comedy band playing songs like "Not my Rubber" and "Okay to Drive." Finally, in 2015, Sexton took Donnie Baker to YouTube, where his most popular video "Missing Boat during Shark Week With Donnie Baker" has now accrued over three million views.

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LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES

THU 6/9



Kristina Marie Castañeda, Shawn Healy, and Ben Dunegan

5 PM @ MILLWORK NIGHT MARKET

COVER: FREE

Kristina and Shawn are an acoustic duo with smooth vocal harmonies over Shawn's spacious, tricky guitar. The duo reinterprets and reinvents songs from over the last 100 years—classic jazz standards, blues, Motown, and folk, while weaving in their own original songwriting, alongside other covers from today's contemporary pop, rock, and experimental artists. Ben Dunegan joins to round out the trio.



Buckle Band

8 PM @ Q CASINO Q SHOWROOM
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SAT 6/11



Mound Music Festival

NOON-10 PM @ SCALES MOUND PARK
(SCALES MOUND, IL)

COVER: FREE

A day full of free music is backed up by great food available, and you know there will be cold beverages on hand. They're also making a classic car cruise out of the event. Bring your lawn chairs! Music for mom and pop kicks off at noon with the Americana Band. The great acoustic tunes from Meghan Davis and Dylan Doyle at 2 p.m., followed by Jef Spradley at 4:30 p.m. with a massive song list covering country, Top 100 hits, pop, blues, oldies, classic rock, and even originals. Bryan Popp is a great singer-songwriter following up at 6 p.m., and the party get into fifth gear at 8 p.m. when Wicked Liz and the Belly Swirls from the Quad Cities rolls into the otherwise sleepy little town.

MON 6/13



Bob Log 3, Hayes Noble, Riff Worm

9 PM @ THE LIFT (180 MAIN ST, LOWER LEVEL)

COVER: FREE

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Music on Main Street: Avey Grouws Band

FRIDAY, JUNE 10 @ 5-9 PM
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Music on Main Street returns with three concerts slated for 2022. Each concert is free to attend and held under Dubuque's Town Clock on Main St. Food and beverage sales start at 5 p.m., and the band plays from 6 to 9 p.m. These concerts replace the former event started in 1992 known as Dubuque... And All That Jazz!

The series begins on Friday, June 10 with the Avey Grouws Band. The billboard-charting band merges the sounds of the Mississippi River into a high energy, intermingling of American roots music including blues, classic rock, country, R&B, funk, introspective balladry, and unbridled rock and roll. Arrive early for the Roosevelt Middle School Band at 5 p.m. under the direction of Dan Norman.

Future concerts include Tyler Richton & the High Bank Boys on July 15 and Gizzae on Aug. 12.

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

Brews and Blues Samplefest

TKO, BIG CAT EDDIE, SMOKEHOUSE BAND
SATURDAY, JUNE 18 @ 3-8 PM
RYLAND PARK
(113 W ELM ST, LANCASTER, WI)

Brews and Blues Samplefest is a music and beer festival celebrating some of Wisconsin and the nation's greatest cultural assets! Situated on US Highway 61, the Blues Highway, Lancaster, WI offers the perfect backdrop for a festival full of good beats and good treats. On Saturday, June 18 from 3 to 8 p.m., join the fun outside of the beautiful new Schreiner Memorial Library on the Ryland Park lawn, and sip Wisconsin's finest microbrews, local wines, and enjoy the sounds of one of America's original musical genres from the backdrop of their new outdoor performing arts space.

Participating breweries include Potosi Brewing, Wisconsin Brewing Co., Sand Creed, Karben4, Lake Louie, Sweet Water, Eagle Park, Central Waters, Raised Grain, Tyranea, Dogfish Head, New Glarus, Smithworks Vodka, Heineken, Iowa Brewing Co. Summit Brewing, Stevens Point, Toppling Goliath, as well as Whispering Bluffs Winery, and Spurgeon Vineyards. We know that Vesperman Farms will be scooping up their famous ice cream, and food is also available for purchase.



We're not sure about the "blues" part, but for live music, TKO offers country and classic rock, and Big Cat Eddie is Southwestern Wisconsin's favorite fun-time feel-good acoustic rock n roll duo. Then the Smokehouse Band does everything from The Beatles to Alice In Chains to SRV to STP, playing a high-energy show of great hits and nothing short of a ton of fun to be had and shared.

Brew and Blues Samplefest tickets are \$35 for music and tasting (adults 21+ only) or \$10 for music only. They include a souvenir festival tasting glass and unlimited samples! Purchase your tickets online or in person at the Lancaster Area Chamber of Commerce office and participating businesses. Tickets are also available on the day of the event.

Music, beer, food, and fun, brought to you by the Lancaster Area Chamber of Commerce! What more could you ask for on a Wisconsin summer day? For tickets and more information, visit **brewsandblueswi.org**. ■

SAT 6/18

Free R&B and Hip-Hop Concert

4-7 PM @ MILLER RIVERVIEW PARK
(1851 ADMIRAL SHEEHY DR)

COVER: FREE

The concert will feature local teens and artists from R&B and hip-hop genres with the intent to connect teens and residents of Dubuque with the river and public lands in a safe and culturally relevant way. Deshawn Brown of The Glasshouse, a local recording studio, will be working with teens during the 2022 Summer Teen Empowerment Program (STEP) at the Multicultural Family Center. STEP teens will explore identity and belonging through music-making during the initial week of programming. Deshawn will guide teens as they write, record, and mix their own songs, which will be featured as part of the show. Deshawn has also gathered local artists to perform for this collaborative event. Food vendors will be available, and guests may also bring their own food and beverage. Attendees are encouraged to bring chairs and blankets to sit on. Hosted by the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium and the Multicultural Family Center.



Galena CFA Fundraiser Concert: The Jimmys

**SATURDAY, JUNE 18 @ 7:30 PM
GALENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS
(971 GEAR ST, GALENA, IL)**

Celebrate Galena Center for the Arts at their fundraiser concert featuring The Jimmys. The event will kick off at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 18. The fundraiser will assist in helping the Galena Center for the Arts complete their building renovations.

The Jimmys are an award-winning blues band comprised of seven

professional musicians: Jimmy Voegeli on keyboards and organ, Perry Weber on guitar, Chris Sandoval on drums, John Wartenweiler on bass, and a 3-piece horn section. In 2020, the group was inducted into the Madison Area Music Association (MAMA) Hall of Fame, and in 2021, they won the Independent Blues' Best Contemporary Blues Song for "Write a Hit." With entertainers this wildly talented, you won't be able to resist getting out of your seat and dancing along to the beat of the music!

General seating tickets are \$50 or reserve an 8-person table for \$500. Each ticket includes one complimentary drink. Snacks will also be available for purchase. Reservations are suggested. For tickets and more information, visit GalenaCenterForTheArts.com.

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Fuse

By Bryce Parks

We've been waiting and watching and it's finally here! Fuse Restaurant and Bar is officially open for dining in downtown Dyersville, IA. Okay, we're jumping the gun just a bit because it's a limited menu, they're still partially under construction, and also, like so many other venues, are working to grow their staff to accommodate offering a full menu. But it's coming. You can just feel it. They're open. It smells new, it looks awesome, and you can just tell that it has an energy that tells you so much more is on the way very soon. But for right now, you can get a great burger and tasty apps and enjoy good beers and wine with friends while the rest of the dream comes into focus. Come take a taste with us.

The name Fuse, according to owner Tare Rahe, comes from the melding of three concepts, restaurant, sports bar, and wine lounge, into one space. It's a vibe she wanted to bring back to town since her decade spent living in Chicago. You can definitely tell that she's ready to get going with all of the great ideas she's got in the hopper.

The sports bar area is out front where you enter the newly-restored building. It's a great space with that modern industrial feel, featuring repurposed pieces from the previous space, like the bar countertops. We love the bump-outs in the bar. It lets you socialize with friends at the bar, but you can still see each other. Or you can watch the game on the dozen TVs throughout

the space. They also have garage doors that can open to the sidewalk for the warmer months, and the huge space means 100 or more people can gather at the same time. So yeah, they can accommodate your party or special event.

In addition to a giant beer and wine selection, the bar will feature specialty cocktails. For those reading our big brewery story in this issue, note that the craft beer selection at Fuse will not disappoint those looking for great local and regional brews.

The back room, which was planned to be open by the time this issue is out, will eventually accommodate a sit-down restaurant and wine lounge crowd. This 75-plus-person space hopes to be serving upscale menu items like steaks and scallops as soon as possible. Until then, you can enjoy the menu we sampled during our visit with friends Paul and Sandy Meyer.

There is also a patio for outdoor seating that we believe is now open and waiting for you to enjoy your food and drinks in the sun and some games. A little cornhole anyone?

With a tight little menu, we basically ordered everything. You know, we do it all for you!

Appetizers include Asian tacos in beef, pork, or vegetarian varieties. Our beef chose was juicy and delicious. These could definitely be a meal if you're stingy and decide not to share. Loaded nachos and fries come next with the expected toppings like queso, veggies, salsa, and sour cream. They do note the use of community-raised beef in the menu items as well as pork and shredded chicken. We got the nachos and annihilated them. They also have Asian



fried cauliflower. The whole appetizer menu can be amended to accommodate gluten-free and vegan tastes.

The burgers look classically simple and were juicy and flavorful. Maybe it's the community-raised beef! There's no 20 kinds of burgers, just one. But that's all you need. We're sure you can amend toppings from what they have in their arsenal. You can also enjoy a grilled chicken sandwich with a signature honey mustard and veggies on a brioche bun. Finally, the BBQ pulled pork is served on Texas toast. Everything comes with fries, and gluten-free buns are available on request. "Chef loves to create, so there are tons of homemade dressing, sauces, rubs, etc.," according to Rahe. We decided that everything can be dipped in their honey mustard. Don't judge me!

For a lighter, fresh take, try a wrap. They have a buffalo, Caesar, and house chicken wraps. We had the Caesar, and it was one of our favorites. A house or Caesar salad is also an option if you're going healthy today. Kids can choose from a kid-sized burger or chicken bites.

We were stuffed, and the food was all good. We'd be happy to suggest any of the items we tried, and we're looking forward to the day when they can cut loose and really get creative and fancy back in that kitchen. But for now, it's still worth the trip west to check it out. And being so close to Textile Brewing Company, you can hit both spots easily in one trip and see just what the heck is going on on 2nd Ave NE in Dyersville. Cool things, man. Cool things! The sense of excitement for what's next is matched only by the sense of community. ■



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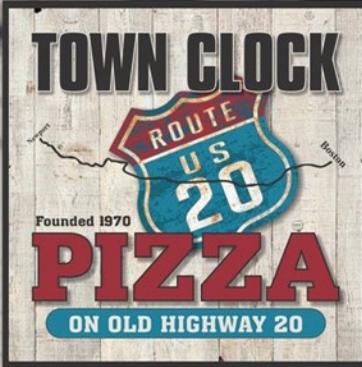
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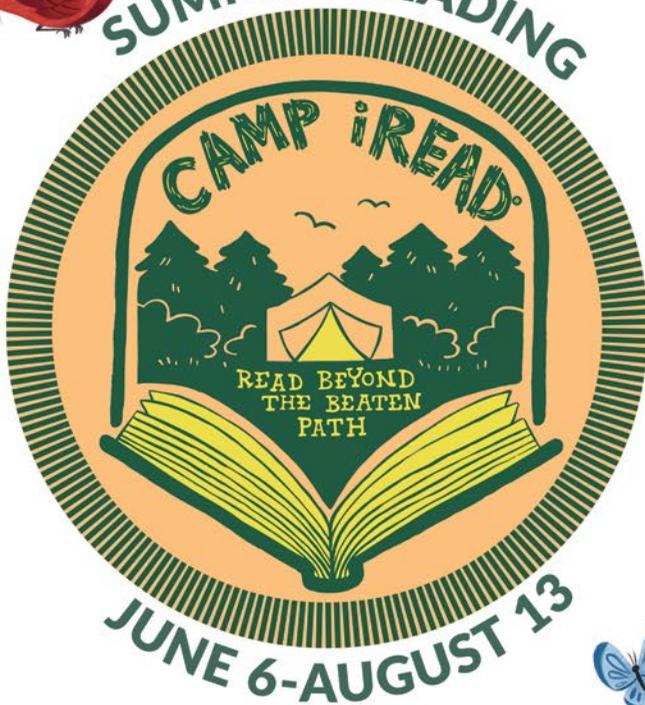
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Jim Bridger: Trailblazer of the American West by Jerry Enzler

By Dena Kurt

Why would anyone in Dubuque care one iota about the history of an illiterate white man who never even set foot in Iowa? Well, for starters, a hot Brad Pitt plays one of his descendants, Lt. Aldo Raine, in the movie *Inglourious Basterds*.

For another, if you ever have the inclination to go west—say to Yellowstone National Park; the Great Salt Lake; Thermopolis, WY; or to dozens of other locations throughout Montana, Wyoming, or Utah—you will be taking in some of the same views this legendary explorer, storyteller, and mountain man helped discover and shape.

Between the years 2013 to 2015, 5,000 people in Montana named their child “Bridger” after him, whether they knew it or not. James Bridger.

More than 35 buildings, mountain ranges, lakes, towns, and roads bear his name. You can ski at Bridger-Bowl outside Bozeman, MT; stay at the Jim Bridger Cabins near Gardiner; compete in a Jim Bridger Trail Run; ride the Bridger Gondola at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort in Teton Village, WY; play a mandolin named after Bridger; and hike, backpack, or drive through the Bridger Mountains, the Bridger Wilderness, and the Bridger-Teton National Park. You can even cross the continental divide via an epic road through Bridger Pass in Wyoming and enjoy stunning views at an elevation of 7,532 feet.

You can do all these things without knowing how hard it was, how much blood was shed, or how many lives were changed during a great push of western exploration and exploitation undertaken between 1820 and 1870. But, doesn't knowing the history of a time and place add so much more to the experience of being there?

For example, start with a buck-toothed rodent known as a beaver. This dam-building, fur-bearing wood eater was the lure that drew Jim Bridger to begin a journey of more than 4 million steps to Yellowstone in 1822. Without the beaver fur trade, the history of the American West may not have included the story of the mountain men and their rendezvous. Without the movie *Jeremiah Johnson* (1972) that told a tale of one particular mountain man, Jerry Enzler may not have discovered a book written by Stanley Vestal called *Jim Bridger: Mountain Man*. Published in 1946, it sold a whopping 90,000 copies.

Thank goodness Enzler did find Jim Bridger, because once he did, Enzler had to take another job with the Dubuque Historical Society so he could research Bridger's life and stories. After serving as

Director of the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium for more than 37 years, Enzler realized he had enough material to write a biography on Jim Bridger, so he retired. And, in 2021 the biography *Jim Bridger: Trailblazer*

of the American West was published. (This is how tall tales like those told by Bridger get started.)

Enzler's research is meticulous, and the resulting biography is brutally dense with detail. To do it justice, get some really good maps on which to make notes. A map such as the one printed in Enzler's book, along with some current topographic maps or GIS online maps. Also, decide which facet(s) of Bridger's life you want to explore

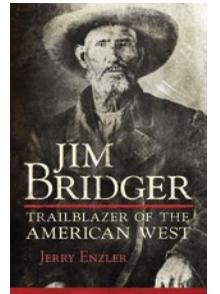
In the year 1825, the Ashley-owned fur trading company Jim Bridger worked for held one of the first known American fur trading rendezvous, paying for 8,829 pounds of beaver skins. By the 1840s, the fur-bearing animals were pretty much wiped out. Bridger was a reckless explorer, willing to take risks in order to find easier access routes for travel along rivers and through mountain passes. What role might a young Jim Bridger have played in bringing an end to the fur trade?

In 1837, Bridger took an alternate route to avoid conflict with Blackfeet stricken by the smallpox virus. When the expedition then came upon a village, Bridger refused to give orders for an attack. Kit Carson was one of 15 “free” mountaineers who attacked anyway. Bridger's lifelong efforts to avoid conflict and negotiate on behalf of many different tribes illustrate Bridger's respect for Indigenous rights and lands. Without Jim Bridger's influence, would even more land and lives have been lost?

It is unfortunate so little is known about Bridger's three Indigenous wives and their children; one wife dead at 19; another at 24; and a daughter, Mary Ann, who died shortly after being taken captive by Cayuse. This is a narrative to explore further.

On June 25 of this year, in Great Falls, MT, *Jim Bridger: Trailblazer of the American West* will be honored as a Top 3 finalist for the Spur Award at the Western Writers of America Annual Conference. An honor well deserved.

It would be nice to see author Jerry Enzler's work become the impetus for a new cinematic take on this incredible time in American history. ■





Top 5 Foods for Brain Health

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

What is brain health? Brain function can be broken down into cognitive and emotional abilities. Cognitive function relates to information processing, and emotional function refers to how well we respond to and translate feelings. Brain function can be impacted by injury, age, and life events—and also by the foods we eat. For example, diets rich in monounsaturated fats from avocados and olive oil can lower the risk of cognitive decline, while diets high in saturated fats can increase the risk of neurological diseases. To help prolong the life of a fully functioning brain, we need to eat foods that benefit our brain health.

Add these brain-nourishing foods to your cart the next time you shop:

- **Leafy greens.** A recent study found that folate and lutein found in leafy greens, such as kale and spinach, may slow cognitive decline.
- **Berries.** High levels of flavonoids have been associated with improving the flow of oxygen and blood, which can help improve concentration.
- **Nuts.** Many nuts, especially walnuts, contain omega-3 fatty acids that fight inflammation and help protect cells against oxidative stress, which can be harmful to the brain.
- **Fish.** Fish rich in omega-3 fatty acids, such as salmon, can help support healthy blood flow to the brain, which may assist in brain development and improving memory.
- **Whole grains.** Barley, brown rice, and buckwheat are among whole grains packed with vitamin E, which protects cells from damage and may help delay or prevent age-related cognitive decline.

Try to include a variety of the brain-nourishing foods listed above to follow the MIND diet, which is a combination of the DASH and Mediterranean diet, for optimal brain health as you age. Use this delicious recipe to get you focused on your brain health. ■

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Kale Salad with Salmon and Blueberry Vinaigrette

MAKES 4 SERVINGS

Ingredients

BLUEBERRY VINAIGRETTE

- ½ cup fresh blueberries
- 2 tbsp white balsamic vinegar
- 1 tbsp Hy-Vee honey
- 1 tsp Hy-Vee Dijon mustard
- ½ tsp Hy-Vee salt
- 3 tbsp Gustare Vita extra virgin olive oil

KALE SALAD AND SALMON

- 1 (1 lb) Verlasso salmon fillet
- 2 tbsp Gustare Vita extra virgin olive oil, divided
- 2 tsp finely chopped fresh rosemary
- 1 tsp fresh orange zest
- ½ tsp ground coriander
- ¼ tsp Hy-Vee salt
- 3 cups kale leaves, stems removed
- 1 cup Hy-Vee Short Cuts broccoli florets, cut into bite-size pieces
- 2 tbsp fresh orange juice
- ½ cup fresh blueberries
- 1 large red beet, peeled, cooked, and cut into thin wedges
- ¼ cup Hy-Vee chopped English walnuts, toasted
- Orange, wedged, for serving

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Line a rimmed baking pan with foil; set aside.
2. Prepare Blueberry Vinaigrette: Place blueberries, white balsamic vinegar, honey, Dijon mustard, and salt in a blender. Cover and blend until pureed. Add olive oil and blend until smooth. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve.
3. Pat salmon dry with paper towels and place on prepared pan. Combine 1 tablespoon oil, rosemary, orange zest, coriander, and salt. Rub mixture on top of salmon. Bake for 10 to 15 minutes or just until fish flakes when tested with a fork (145 degrees).

4. Toss together kale and broccoli in a large bowl. Drizzle remaining 1 tablespoon oil and orange juice over greens mixture. Gently massage with fingers until kale is dark green and tender. Toss in blueberries and beets.
5. Divide kale mixture and salmon among four serving plates. Sprinkle walnuts over top. Serve with Blueberry Vinaigrette and orange wedges.

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Vanity of Vanities

By Pam Kress-Dunn

I've inherited two vanities: first, my mother's; and now, Grandma's. By age 13, I had my own, a faux French Provincial white-and-gold number that matched the birthday bookcase from the year before. Clearly, books were more important than beauty, but a girl needed both.

While all this furniture was crated in a different style—made of cherry-wood, mahogany, or plywood painted to look fancy—all share these features: drawers, an open space for pulling up a dainty chair or bench, and a mirror. The word “vanity” insists upon a mirror.

Both Mom's vanity and mine sported big, attached mirrors, while Grandma Amy's was freestanding. How I coveted that three-way mirror. When I learned Grandpa was moving into a nursing home, long after Grandma's untimely death, and family members were choosing a piece or two from their house on Davenport's Fillmore Street, I was stuck in Colorado,

missing my chance to claim it. Barely in my 30s, I was still vain enough to want a looking glass in which I could view not only the front of my face, but each side. Cousin Mary got the mirror and the vanity. Now I'm just glad it remained in the family.

Hamlet did not say, “Vanity, thy name is woman” to express his consternation when his widowed mother married his uncle. His word was “frailty.” Yet vanity does seem like a weakness, burdening far too many women with the demand, spoken or written, to look a certain way or be called “homely,” or worse. The thing is, back then, I still mostly liked the way I looked and didn't mind checking out my image, be it in a car, a public restroom, or a wood altar to which I could pull up a chair. Most often, I'll admit, I was worried about smeared mascara or one more disastrous zit.

I know I was fortunate to have a pleasant face, something more than one boyfriend deemed—it embarrasses me to report this, but love is completely blind—“gorgeous.” Um, no. But with a little tan, some freckles, a smile, I felt sort of, kind of, good about my face, the visage the world knew me by.

When the king of Israel cries in Ecclesiastes, “Vanity of vanities, all is vanity,” he means that all humankind's work is pointless. Perhaps our obsession with



I CAN'T LOOK!

beauty is, too. I've read Lucy Grealy's searing memoir, *Autobiography of a Face*, describing how she lost her jaw to cancer, as well as her friend Ann Patchett's heartbreaking *Truth and Beauty*, which chronicles Grealy's descent into suicide to escape the horrified reactions of strangers.

My mom's vanity became mine only after her passing. Too often, these hand-me-downs are bittersweet gifts, wrapped in gratitude and tinged with sorrow. We think about handing them on to our own kin, wondering if they will keep and use them. I hope so.

Was Iona Kress vain? Well, sure, a little. She was really something as a young lass, thin as a reed, with bright, flashing eyes. An errant softball broke her nose and bent it for life, but she soldiered on, wearing slim dresses she sewed herself and never going outside, not even to hang the wash, without a perfectly executed swipe of ruby red lipstick. I loved to watch as she got “dolled up”—her words—to go to church or a rare date with Dad. I dispensed with the powder compact I found in her vanity's drawers, but kept the Maybelline cake mascara, the kind activated with a few drops of water. I use its little brush to shape my eyebrows to this day.

Grandma's personal vanity remains a mystery. She was—forgive me—old and saggy by the time I came along, and I regret the clues missing from her makeup-free drawers. She and Grandpa grew up on farms and talked like country folk—under-educated, little-read, but loving. I have just one photo where she looks beautiful and young, when Mom was a toddler. Once when I showed Mom a photo I loved from Grandma's later years, she muttered, “Oh, I hate how Ma got so plump.” Geez! At least I know Allison won't say that about me, no matter how I pile on the old-age weight.

My own teenage vanity was loaded with beauty equipment: blush, mascara, eyeshadow (pink! blue! yellow!), eyeliner, brushes, rollers, eyelash dye (scary stuff), and the heaviest foundation I could find at the Five and Dime. My friends and I had no idea how radiant we were back then. Katie Kelly would not go out without her false eyelashes. We all read *Seventeen*, layering on the paint to “catch the man of your dreams” long before we were 17. Only later did I learn from my own “men” that they couldn't care less, in fact preferred no makeup at all.

But that “natural look” we learned to crave turned out to require its own expensive, time-consuming regimen. I laughed at interviews in *Vogue* where the writer noted, “Gwyneth wore sweats and not a speck of makeup!” Right. Just beige foundation, barely pink lip gloss, suntan blush, and a swipe of dark brown mascara applied by a high-paid stylist.

These days, I'm not much interested in mirrors, except to get jewelry into my pierced ears or to coax a stray eyelash from my eye. I'd love to downsize our enormous bathroom mirror, except for one thing. The last time the 6-year-old grandtwins visited, Vera stood before it, naked after her bath, slapped her hands on her chest, and declared, “I. LOOK. SO. GOOD!” I'll keep the mirror, and hope the other kind of vanity never catches up to her. ■

PAM KRESS-DUNN

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Check the Mirror

By Matt Booth

Success often depends on how well a person can connect with others. Some people find connecting easy to do, while others must work at it. On a basic level, people are drawn to people when their body language (gestures, tone of voice, facial expressions, eye contact, and so on) is similar. One way to appear similar to others is to mirror their behaviors.

Few techniques will connect you more effectively than mirroring. To mirror another person, you simply pick a behavior you wish to mirror and then copy that behavior. If you choose to mirror an arm movement for example, when the person moves their arms, wait a few seconds and then move your arms to the same position. If they lean forward to tell you something, you lean forward to meet them. When they sit back to take a sip of their drink, you pause, then follow suit. Some behaviors can be mirrored, for example:

- body posture
- blink rate
- energy level
- head tilt
- key phrases
- hand gestures
- facial expressions
- breathing rate
- vocal qualities



whom they're talking. Mirroring is the way one person tells another that he agrees with his ideas and attitudes.

Anything you can observe, you can mirror. At your next social gathering, look around and see examples of mirroring. Mirroring is not the same as mimicry. It should be subtle and respectful. Friends often mirror each other unconsciously. When done successfully, few people will ever notice. Mirroring allows individuals to be comfortable and even puts strangers at ease.

The significance of mirroring is one of the most important connecting lessons you can learn because it's a clear way in which others tell us that they agree with us or like us. It is also a way for us to tell others that we like them. Mirroring gives you a head start towards making connections that are essential for success. Mirroring is easy, and it works. When you use it properly, you'll improve the connections you make with virtually anyone. ■

The next time you attend a social function, notice the number of people who have taken the identical gestures and posture of the person with

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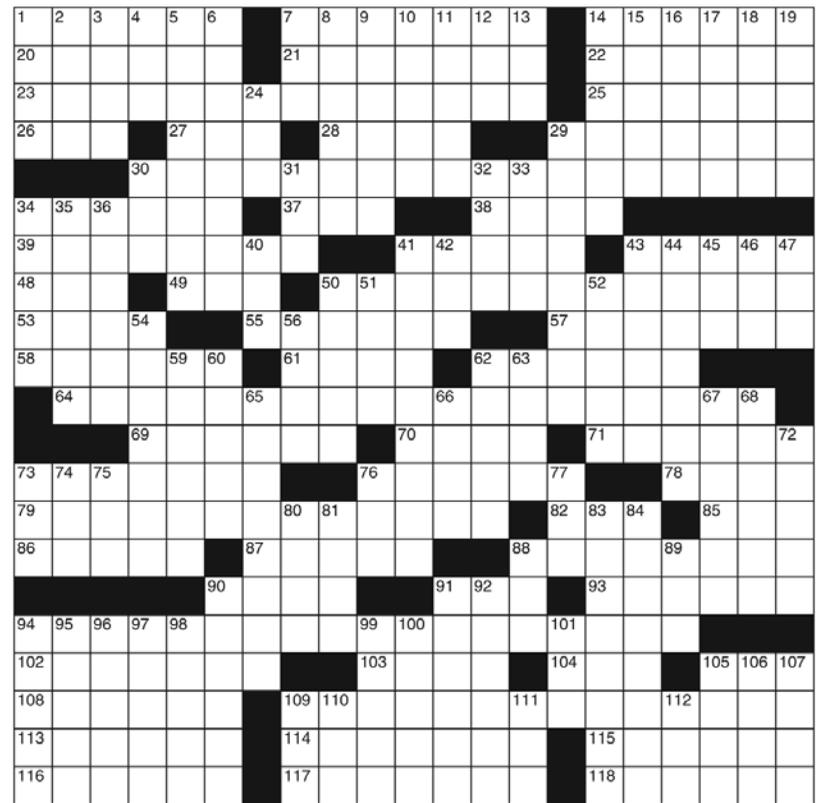
PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

SOLVING DA PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Theater district
- 7 Butcher's cleaver
- 14 Winter melon variety
- 20 Replacing, with "of"
- 21 Privy person
- 22 Ill-willed sorts
- 23 Arranged cheddar brands in order of sharpness?
- 25 Arctic jacket
- 26 Capitol fig.
- 27 Collectible toon frame
- 28 Per each unit
- 29 Set to move forward, as a car
- 30 Boldly courageous after January 1?
- 34 Second shoot of a scene
- 37 Nevertheless
- 38 "— daisy!"
- 39 Paleolithic period
- 41 Letter-shaped track in metalworking
- 43 Attach, as to a lapel
- 48 Pre-TiVo machine
- 49 — Lanka
- 50 Comparable in humility to one particular sorority member?
- 53 Quick glance
- 55 Not durable
- 57 Groups of four
- 58 Underscore
- 61 Law school beginner
- 62 Think up
- 64 Big Steinway played by your father's father?
- 69 Condo policy about animals
- 70 Dime, e.g.
- 71 Passover feasts
- 73 Canonized seventh-cen. pope
- 76 Hotel bar
- 78 Tug sharply
- 79 Wrapping a wound on the noggin?
- 82 Sit-up targets
- 85 Chou En- —
- 86 2003 #1 hit for OutKast
- 87 Artist's stand
- 88 Raconteur's offering
- 90 "... and — it all over again!"
- 91 Young boy
- 93 Complained petulantly
- 94 Lion's hunting recollections?
- 102 River in central Jersey
- 103 Certain shade provider
- 104 Certain shade provider
- 105 Chinese chairman
- 108 More asinine
- 109 Reversible fabric used during operations?
- 113 Rich, filled pastry



- 114 Daughter on "Bewitched"
 - 115 And others, to Caesar
 - 116 Rages
 - 117 — & Gamble
 - 118 Confirm officially
- ##### DOWN
- 1 Large trucks
 - 2 Apropos of
 - 3 Ladd or Alda
 - 4 Pot cover
 - 5 Petit four and Sally Lunn
 - 6 Piercing spot, often
 - 7 Prefix with air
 - 8 Coop up
 - 9 Fireplace receptacle
 - 10 Secure with string, say
 - 11 Skilled
 - 12 Ballot marks
 - 13 Afore
 - 14 Lon of old horror films
 - 15 Classic root beer brand
 - 16 Raconteur's offering
 - 17 Eagle's nest
 - 18 Cry to a prima donna
 - 19 Interrogator
 - 24 Part of REO
 - 29 Put into office
 - 30 Ex-veep Quayle
 - 31 "Science Guy" Bill
 - 32 Island dance
 - 33 Heroic poetry
 - 34 Answers an evite, e.g.
 - 35 "And so on and so on": Abbr.
 - 36 Bullfight hero
 - 40 PC image file
 - 41 High-voltage transformer
 - 42 Cloudland
 - 43 Peppermint — (York treat)
 - 44 "Bring it on!"
 - 45 Nuggets' org.
 - 46 Unusual
 - 47 "Stillmatic" rapper
 - 50 Prized Chinese vases
 - 51 The "E" of FEMA: Abbr.
 - 52 Big jumps
 - 54 Eisenhower's successor
 - 56 Politico Trent
 - 59 Floor-scrubbing robot brand
 - 60 Old photo tint
 - 62 Carding at a club, e.g.
 - 63 "Well, shoot!"
 - 65 Held back
 - 66 Adjective follower, often
 - 67 Comedian Kevin
 - 68 Very fancy
 - 72 Did the slopes
 - 73 "Quit talking!"
 - 74 No-frills shirt
 - 75 Set (down)
 - 76 Bigger than med.
 - 77 Suffix with Ecuador
 - 80 Groove for receiving the end of a board
 - 81 Not worth — (valueless)
 - 83 Perplex
 - 84 Structured frameworks
 - 88 Big fuss
 - 89 Belittle, informally
 - 90 Ill-fated flier of myth
 - 91 Actor Joseph Gordon- —
 - 92 "Cocoon" co-star Don
 - 94 Bluenoses
 - 95 Charged toward
 - 96 Poet's Muse
 - 97 Casual eatery
 - 98 Best players
 - 99 — -Croatian
 - 100 Sorcery
 - 101 Family mem.
 - 105 African nation
 - 106 "Not likely!"
 - 107 Thumbs-up
 - 109 Motor oil additive brand
 - 110 Nasser's fed.
 - 111 River of Bern
 - 112 Yoga surface

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Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Gwen Danzig's Good Advice



DEAR GWEN,

My partner recently switched to second shift. Prior to this, they were working third shift and it was really nice because when I woke up, they would get ready for bed while I got ready for the day. It was a little chunk of time we spent together before I went to work. These days, they get home around 1:30 a.m. or 2, and they still want to spend some time together before they sleep. It's really driving me nuts. The next time I get shaken awake with a, "Hey, I'm home! Talk to meeee," I'm going to lose it. But the one time I mentioned how tired it makes me, they pouted and went to the extremes, saying, "I guess you just don't even want to see me."

Because of the nature of their job, they don't get to interact with people very often, and I hate the idea of them not talking to anybody for an entire shift and then feeling isolated at home too, but I'm also completely exhausted. How can I maintain my sleep schedule and also cater to their feelings?
—Best, Too Tired to Alliterate

DEAR TOO TIRED TO ALLITERATE,

I, too, would be a disaster if I was being woken up mid-REM every single night. My sleep has been rough because of nightmares, but also because my husband does this thing where he snores and then stops snoring and I think he's going to die, so I have to roll over and put my hand above his face to feel that he's breathing. As for the nightmares, I can't decide if my platitudinous Millennial take on the nightmare causation is astrology, anxiety, or capitalism-related, but my sleep has been so rough that I've had to come up with an entirely new bedtime routine.

First, I pop a Benadryl because my nurse practitioner said I'm allergic to dairy, but I'm still eating dairy because it seems cosmically unfair that one person

would have to be gluten AND dairy free in their life. Then I do a crossword and I stare at my LinkedIn, wondering how I became the type of person who has and legitimately uses LinkedIn, like I used to make fun of these people, and now I'm one of them, and it really feels like the crack of the century. I can't say, "Catch me on LinkedIn, brother," as I'm leaving social gatherings because I quite literally have a LinkedIn and I look like a person who would have a LinkedIn and it's all very embarrassing.

So I then corner my spouse and tell him all of the horrible things he did in my dream the night before and threaten that if Dream Husband pulls any whack-adoo behavior overnight, Real Husband will be in for a world of hurt. Dreams are based upon real stuff your brain is volleying around, so I think threatening the literal people who pop up in my dreams helps the constructed dream people remember to act correctly.

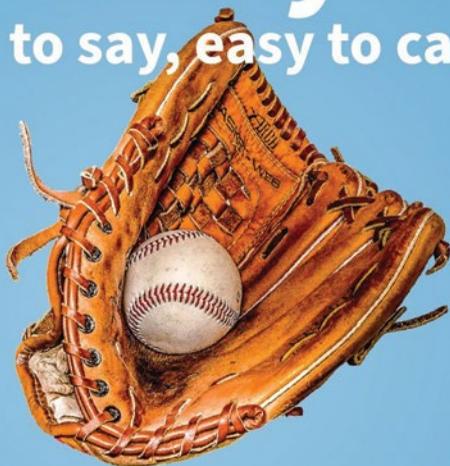
By this point in the evening, the Benadryl kicks in, and I pass out into a mostly-dreamless void. I wake up groggy and unrested, but I don't wake up in the middle of the night. I'm not telling you to drug yourself with Benadryl so you don't wake up when they get home, I'm absolutely not saying that. But I am saying that if you happen to have skin problems caused by a dairy allergy you willfully disregard because it's inconvenient and annoying and feels like a personal attack, you could take a Benadryl to handle the skin thing and get extreme exhaustion as a kind of two-for-one.
—xoxo Gwen

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 By Danny Fairchild, Friend to the Cosmos

ARIES
 (APR 19–MAY 13)
 You will soon uncover something long-since lost. Like your innocence. Or that crushed penny you got at the River Museum.

TAURUS
 (MAY 14–JUNE 19)
 Mercury is in shackles, so you'll soon be receiving bad advice from a close friend. No surprise there, right? All your friends are friggin' fools.

GEMINI
 (JUNE 20–JULY 20)
 Now's the time to just grit your teeth, roll up your sleeves, and get it done. Then you won't have to do it anymore. Because it will be done. Because you did it. So you don't have to do it anymore. Because it will be done.

CANCER
 (JULY 21–AUG 9)
 Venus is in its birthday suit, so don't expect much in the way of indulgence. That's right... even the cosmos, which in actuality lacks the capability to care about you at all... is sick of your crap.

LEO
 (AUG 10–SEP 15)
 With the moon into ska punk right now, it might be time to rekindle an old flame. I mean... everyone else has rejected you at this point, so why not start again from the top?

VIRGO
 (SEP 16–OCT 30)
 If you find yourself having doubts, just remember that nobody can keep you down except yourself. Unless, of course, someone has a huge rock they can put on you.

LIBRA
 (OCT 31–NOV 22)
 Mars is *in flagrante delicto*, so find something that fills you. Oooh, yeah... HE'LL do nicely.

SCORPIO
 (NOV 23–NOV 29)
 You'll consider going in a new direction, but it's like... there's only so many directions, you know? Left, right, forward, back, or a combination of these. I suppose you

haven't explored going up very much. Or down. So maybe take up SCUBA diving? Or take flight classes at UD? Ugh. This new direction you're considering is going to be spendy.

OPHIUCHUS
 (NOV 30–DEC 17)
 Jupiter is in the corporations' pockets, which means you should find something beautiful and keep it to yourself. Talk to it. Build a shrine to it. Write fanfic about it. Y'know? Just get really into it and maybe even get a little bit gross about it. But again, keep it to yourself.

SAGITTARIUS
 (DEC 18–JAN 8)
 With Saturn in first place right now, you may be thinking of doing something out of character for you. Don't. The cosmos brought in a whole team of continuity coordinators on this one, and it's not your job to make their job difficult. Not to mention all the work the writers did to make you likable and relatable in the first place. Plus, with contract negotiations coming up, you'll want to be seen as a team player. So just keep your head down.

CAPRICORN
 (JAN 9–FEB 15)
 For the foreseeable future, there's no reason to think anything bad will happen to you. But then again, there never IS a reason to think anything bad will happen to you. It just does. So expect more of the same.

AQUARIUS
 (FEB 16–MAR 11)
 You're in the absolute perfect mindset for tackling details. Details are small by definition, so tackling them kind of makes you a bully. Why don't you try to tackle something your own size, coward?

PISCES
 (MAR 12–APR 18)
 The stars align when Annie's Acres opens for strawberry picking season while you were already on your way to Bellevue for brews, BBQ, and a waterski show.

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