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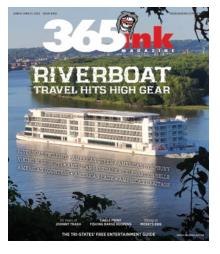
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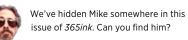
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I just got home from the Multicultural Family Center's Dubuque Pride Family Picnic + Block Party, and I'll tell you what. This wasn't a party; it was a festival. We arrived about 1:30 p.m., and 11th Street was packed with people, hundreds of people, all coming together to celebrate, support, and champion the rights of ALL people to live their lives as they wish, as they were born to. Dozens of booths with great information, fun goodies, treats, and interesting people joined the main stage where entertainment, speakers including city council members reading a Pride Day Proclamation, and State Representative Lindsay James speaking about human rights in the face of a State House that has so far brought 33 pieces of legislation to the floor designed to suppress people's basic freedoms. But it was not an angry speech nor an angry day, despite dealing with the supposed pushback coming from those who can't seem to wrap their heads around what love really means.

And I'm not here to attack anyone personally today (except Ted Nugent, I guess). But I have watched something happen this spring that is beyond disturbing, and I want to shed some light on it.

Remember when Ted Nugent and Fox News went after Bud Light a couple of months ago for simply supporting a human being's right to express themselves and be who they are in their heart? And all of this hate and unveiled bigoted vitriol spilled out. Some wrapped in a flag and some in a Bible, but none of it carried a message of love nor the teachings of

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But not for Fox News. Despite the parent company of Bud Light being a huge donor to the Republican National Committee, Fox News went after them with a tenacity that was baffling. Every single day they were posting new stories about the woes of Budweiser and the "trouble" they were in. I chose to keep following it every day. It was pathetic. Even DJTJ tried to go on social media and call off the dogs, but no dice. Trust me, Bud is going to be just fine.

And then it was Target. And it got even stranger. If all you read is Fox News (and I know that sadly for many, that is the case), you are aware that Target's LGBTQ+ Pride displays in stores have led to the loss of billions of dollars and the shunning from their customers, right? Except, that it's completely untrue. Like, not at all as is the case. Some Targets took down displays, but it was because of threats of violence from, I guess, more moral Americans? Target Dubuque's display is still up and right at the front of the store, God bless 'em!

Yes. Target's stock dove this month. but so did every major retail chain's stock, based on some bleak fiscal outlooks and a clear sign from consumers that they are reigning in their spending with the possibility of a recession on the horizon. Fox didn't mention that. While Target was off a full 20%, other major brands had stock slumps of up to 40% so far. Retailers with no stance on LGBTQ+. Yet Fox News is unashamedly writing stories (and stumping on air) with headlines telling you in no uncertain terms that all of that loss is directly tied to their support of LGBTQ+. It's pure fear-mongering. It's like when hot weather increases both ice cream sales and violent crime, but Fox is trying to convince you that an increase in ice cream sales is causing violent crime. Correlation is not causation.

They are desperate to convince Americans that this tidal wave of acceptance for people to be themselves, love who they want to love, and be welcome where they once were not is backfiring. "Americans" don't want it, and they're showing it with their boycott of brands who show support. But it's not working. Their fake numbers can't cover for the fact that in 2023, an outpouring of public support for LGBTQ+ people from the business sector has jumped exponentially. And I fully believe that the suppressive hate and rhetoric from the far-right media these last couple of months has been a driving force for many companies not to hide, but instead to come forward and say, "You're not going to scare us into staying quiet."

Rainbow-laden posts from places I never thought I'd see came out this month. Casinos, banks, major retailers—even chemical companies, auto manufacturers, and more who never said a word on it before are fully "out" as allies of the LGBTQ+ community. So the further Fox News entrenches itself as the flag bearer of a countermovement that isn't really there is sad but also dangerous. They're not just giving a platform here for other people's lies; they are creating lies to try to stop an unstoppable evolution in people's value systems.

And I'm so very proud and heartened to see conservative friends of mine rejecting the call. I believe that the discriminatory actions of state legislatures are pandering to a gay-hating base that is ever-shrinking. Young people especially get it. They're "woke" I guess, though that's a word that Fox also latched onto, turning it into a slur. But it doesn't really exist. The same way that ANTIFA and Critical Race Theory don't really exist. They're boogeymen fueled by Fox News and the like. "Woke" just means you are compassionate and have an open mind. ANTIFA literally means you oppose fascism. CRT was applied to any US history teacher who dared mention that Thomas Jefferson had slaves and even probably was in love with one that he had children with. That's just the ugly truth of our history. You know what they say about those who don't learn from history ...

So they're selling fear, and it's backfiring. I'd like to say, one day soon, we will all look back at the way America treated gay and transgender folks with the same scorn and shame that we look at the way we treated Black people, but sheesh, even that isn't even close to being over either. So the fight goes on.

And really, did they think that calling for a boycott of Target was going to work? Have you ever tried telling a woman they can't go to Target anymore? Good luck with that! Someone didn't think that one through. It's like telling a guy they can't go to the hardware store anymore. Now they're attacking their own by calling Chick-fil-A "Woke"! I'm not even kidding. Ha! And it's right next to Target! How convenient!

The Chicago Bears were the 1st NFL team to let LGBTQ+ youth know "It Gets Better," and the Packers were a Gold Founding Member of the LGBT Chamber of Commerce in 2015. The Vikings and Chiefs are right there, too. Checkmate, haters!

I sold beers to raise money for Toys For Tots at the Dwight Yoakam and Aaron Lewis concert at Five Flags last week, and while Lewis was on stage swearing up a storm while verbally eviscerating Joe Biden (seriously, I didn't know the Constitution had that many f-bombs in it), people who came to see him were still buying Bud Lights from me. So the fact is, most people just don't really care how people live their lives. They just think they're mad because someone is telling them they are.

Believe your eyes. Believe your heart. And most importantly, enjoy a nice cold Bud Light this summer! Or a Busch Light. It's the same company, knucklehead!

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Millwork Night Market THURSDAY, JUNE 8 @ 5-8 PM

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Find high-quality local food producers, artists, musicians, and brewers.

The Conservation Station joins in June with interactive family-friendly activities, brought to you by Iowa Learning Farms and Water Rocks! The mobile learning centers educate audiences of all ages on different conservation aspects. The trailers house a unique combination of highly visual and interactive lowa-centric demonstrations that delve into the impacts of land management choices, both urban and agricultural, on water quality and the connections between our state's water, soil, and wildlife.

Enjoy music by The DZ Combo. Smoke-free and pet-free. Bring your own water, reusable grocery bags, and lawn chairs. For more information, visit **MillworkNightMarket.com**.



Food Festival Fridays

FRIDAYS: JUNE 9, JULY 14, AUGUST 11, AND SEPTEMBER 8 @ 11:30 AM-1:30 PM WASHINGTON PARK (700 LOCUST ST) Dubuque Main Street (DMS) hosts the ever-popular and flavorful Food Festival Fridays at Washington Park. Similar to Food Truck Fridays, food vendors will be available every second Friday in May-September, between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., in and around Washington Park.

365ink Magazine brings the perfect side dish to your crepe, pizza, or coffee: local, live music! Catch the following performers in the gazebo: Joie Wails on June 9, Ralph Kluseman on July 14, Addison Aronson on Aug. 11, and John Moran on Sept. 8. The DSO Youth String Quartet will open on some dates.

DMS Executive Director Danielle Jacobs says, "We are grateful for this opportunity to offer an expanded selection of food options for residents and downtown employees to enjoy in a beautiful, outdoor setting."

The event was renamed to Food Festival Fridays so more businesses without a mobile food license would have the same opportunity to sell food, just as they do at other downtown festivals.

The festivals are free with food and beverages available for purchase. For more details, including vending at the festivals, contact Jacobs by calling **563-588-4400** or emailing **djacobs@dubuquemainstreet.org.**

EVENTS

THU 6/8

Movie Screening: Till 6 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY Starring Danielle Deadwyler and Jalyn Hall, Till (2022) is a drama based on the true story of Mamie Till-Mobley and her pursuit of justice for

her son Emmett Till, who was lynched in Mississippi in 1955. 360 W 11th St. 563-589-4225. CarnegieStout.org.



Iowa Civil Rights Traveling Exhibit CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY Through June 15. The traveling exhibit from the African American Museum of Iowa explores the struggles and triumphs faced by Black lowans in their fight for equal rights. Featured individuals

include Alexander Clark, the man who helped desegregate lowa schools in 1868, and Edna Griffin, the woman who led sit-ins at the Katz Drugstore in Des Moines in 1948. 360 W 11th St. 563-589-4225. CarnegieStout.org.

FRI 6/9

Downtown **Summer Nights** 6:30-10 PM @ DOWNTOWN DYERSVILLE, IA Not to miss out on the fun, Dyersville hosts its own summer festival series. Besides live music the event includes food, games for kids. Free. Dyersville.org.

SAT 6/10

Adult Gnome Hunt 8 AM-5 PM @ SWISS VALLEY NATURE PRESERVE (PEOSTA, IA) June 10 and 11. Oh no! Swiss Valley has been overrun by

gnomes again, but this time, they are really causing some trouble! Bring your adult friends out to the preserve and look for the naughty gnomes hiding off the trail. This is a self-guided hike. Please keep gnomes where they are placed, so everyone can enjoy the hike. These gnomes are meant for adult audiences. Free. 13606 Swiss Valley Rd, Peosta, IA. DBOConservation. eventbrite.com.

Little Free Libraries Book Worm Treasure Hunt and Celebration 10 AM-3-30 PM @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE Travel with a responsible adult to participating Little Free Libraries: 909 Shiras Ave, 10284 Dixie Dr, 260 York St, 1655 S Grandview Ave, 2512 Crissy Dr, 3010 Indiana Ct, 3466 Crestwood Dr, 5165 Park Place, 2307 Central Ave. 1715 Scenic View Dr, and 2300 Chaney Rd. Sign a paper apple at each

LFL for a chance to win a door prize. Celebrate after the hunt at 2300 Chaney Rd starting at 2:30 p.m. Fun activities, local authors, sweet treats, door prizes, and some surprises. Hosted by retired DCSD teachers Janet, Marsha, and Sandy, dbqlfl172@gmail.com.



Scales Mound Celebrates 170th **Birthday** 10:30 AM @ SCALES MOUND, IL Festivities kick off with a parade starting at the school. Then the fun moves to the Scales Mound Park where you will find music, food, and lots

climbing, and slides going

until 8 p.m. SMASH is hosting

of entertainment. There are bounce houses, an obstacle course, Xtreme Air, Rock Wall

a dunk tank starting at noon, and you can further test your skills at axe throwing with Haulin' Axe from 2 until 5 p.m. Everybody's favorite event—the Bean Bag Tournament-begins at 4pm. If you are brave enough, you can go on the Cemetery Walk hosted by Joann Schultz and her other-worldly friends from 7 to 9 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs to enjoy the music in the Scales Mound Park Pavilion with Meghan Davis at noon. The Resistors will be on at 2 p.m., and the Dylan Doyle Band play at 4 p.m. Lori Gravel & The Timber City Ramblers will be featured at 6 p.m., and Ten Gallon Hat will be the entertainment for the street dance on the basketball court starting at 8 p.m. Plenty of food and drinks will be available from the various food booths and stands at both ends of the park. Free.



Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show Team 4 PM @ SOUTH OF LOCK 12, RIVERVIEW ST (BELLEVUE, IA) June 10 , 24, July 15, Aug 19 at 4 p.m. and July 2 at 6 p.m. Enjoy great family entertainment with barefooting, jumping, human pyramids, glittery costumes, great music, and powerful towboats. Ski Bellevue is Bellevue's own water ski show team. They are one of only four water ski show teams in Iowa and the only one to perform on the Mississippi River. Check them out north of Lock 12 for practice. Ski Bellevue is always looking for new members of all ages and skill levels. Free. facebook.com/skibellevue.



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Galena Pride Picnic

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 @ NOON-5 PM GRANT PARK

(625 PARK AVE, GALENA, IL) Galena's 3rd Annual Pride Picnic brings a variety of family-friendly pride activities to Grant Park on Saturday, June 10 from noon to 5 p.m. All are welcome to join in the festivities. Celebrate with a variety of familyfriendly activities including a drag show with MC Anna Mae featuring Scylla, Cynthia Mooseknuckle, Jonny B, Malaiya Marvel, and Sage Umbra; rodeo games with the Illinois Gay Rodeo Association; dog trick show; drag story time with Cara Toon; live music by Liliana Asta and Brion Bowman; and meet and greets with Hoof It. Browse local vendor tables and grab a swag bag of goodies for local businesses. Food and beverages available from Birds., Galena Bakehouse, La Michoacana Irmanaju, Udderly Delicious, and Galena Cellars.

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 the Galena Public Library at **815-777-0200** or visit **facebook.com/GalenaPridePicnic**.

Berning Acres Day and Night at the Farm

DAY AT THE FARM: COWS, KIDS AND CURDS JUNE 16, JULY 7 @ 3-5 PM & SEPTEMBER 9 @ 2-4 PM NIGHT AT THE FARM: COWS, BEERS AND CHEESE CURDS JUNE 16, JULY 7 @ 7-9 PM & SEPTEMBER 8 @ 6-8 PM DAY AT THE FARM: PICNIC & PLAY JUNE 17, JULY 8, SEPTEMBER 2 @ 11 AM-1 PM NIGHT AT THE FARM: COWS, WINE & CHARCUTERIE

JUNE 17, JULY 8 @ 7-9 PM & SEPTEMBER 9 @ 6-8 PM BERNING ACRES (8850 N MENOMINEE RD, EAST DUBUQUE, IL) Berning Acres gives you the opportunity to experience life on a farm. Day at the Farm and Night at the Farm take place

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and feed a farm friend (goat, sheep, pig, or pony). Grab some photo ops and play with the goats and other animals.

Day at the Farm is a family-friendly event. Cows, Kids and Curds includes locally-sourced cheese curds, meat sticks, and ice cream and is \$55/person. Picnic & Play includes a picnic in the lawn overlooking the fields and horses playing. Enjoy homemade baked goods like croissants and rolls along with veggies, fruits, and wholesome dairy products, plus ice cream. Picnic & Play is \$65/person.

Night at the Farm begins in the shop with beverages and an introduction to the farm. Cows, Beers and Cheese Curds includes locally-sourced cheeses curds, flavored meats, and Italian summer



sausage and is \$55/person. Cows, Wine & Charcuterie includes a charcuterie board that highlights a duo deliciousness of goat and dairy cow cheeses and is \$65/person.

All of the events include a tour and beverages. For more information, call Berning Acres at **563-543-8936** or visit **BerningAcres.com**.

EVENTS

SUN 6/11

Preston Heritage Museum Open House 1-5 PM @ 7569 OLDE MASSEY RD

Feature a Native American collection and items dating back to 1835. Gerda Preston Hartman will also address questions relating to the park as well. Hands-on demonstrations. All ages. Free.

MON 6/12



The Swine Republic Author Talk and Forum

6:30 PM @ EB LYONS NATURE CENTER Chris Jones will speak on his book The Swine Republic: Strugales with the Truth about Agriculture and Water Quality. Jones is a former research engineer at the University of Iowa where he was responsible for a state network of 66 water quality sensors until his retirement last month. Previous to that. Jones worked for the lowa Sovbean Association and the Des Moines Water Works. Jones will discuss the status of lowa's impaired rivers, streams and groundwater on the 10th anniversary of the adoption of the state's "nutrient reduction strategy." The plan developed by the lowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and the Department of Natural Resources pledged to reduce certain pollutants-nitrogen and phosphorus-that degrade lowa's surface waters and discharge from lowa to damage the Gulf of Mexico. The author talk will be followed by a public input forum with elected officials. The conversation will be moderated by

Adam Hoffman, professor of

environmental chemistry in the Department of Natural and Applied Sciences at the University of Dubuque. The visit is being coordinated by State Rep. Chuck Isenhart, who serves on the state Watershed Planning Advisory Council, along with lowabased Ice Cube Press. Free. 8991 Bellevue Heights Rd. facebook.com/ commongoodcampaign.

TUE 6/13



Youth Art Class: **Fairy Houses** 1-5 PM @ GALENA ARC (GALENA, IL) Make a fairy house out of natural materials like wood, acorns, nut shells. bark, pinecones, twigs etc. Option to display house on Belden School Fairy Walk. Ages 6-14. \$35. 11084 W US HWY 20. Galena. IL. galenaarc.org/art-classes.



Native Book Discussion Series: Firekeeper's Daughter

7-8:15 PM @ ONLINE Discuss Firekeeper's Daughter by Angeline Boulley. This book discussion series is an invitation to deeply engage with wisdom, pain, challenge, tragedy, beauty, history, land and much more through the words of Native women. Lead by Eric Anglada, Sinsinawa's Ecological Programming Coordinator. \$10. 608-748-4411. sinsinawa.org/moundcenter.



From Mowing to **Monarchs: Native** Pockets

7-8 PM @ ONLINE Have extra space in your yard that you want to repurpose to something better then turf grass? Learn about the Dubuque County Conservation Mowing to Monarchs program. Mowing to Monarchs helps landowners with the resources and tools to convert a section of vard to native species in the form of native pockets! The program guides landowners with native pockets (~100 sq ft) that thrive in full sun, semi shade, and curbside. Resources include the actual native plants, signage, coaches, workshops, and more. Applications for Mowing to Monarchs opens June 15. Free. dbgconservation. eventbrite.com.

WED 6/14



Emma Benoit. My **Ascension Viewing** and Q&A

5-8:30 PM @ CLARKE UNIVERSITY ATRIUM The free suicide prevention community film screening and panel brings speaker Emma Benoit to share her powerful documentary, My Ascension, which follows her journey after her suicide attempt. The film is part of Emma's nationwide efforts to spread hope and fight suicide. Audience members will have the opportunity to ask guestions of Emma and others participating in the panel who have been impacted by suicide. Support and resources will be available at the event. Free. 1550 Clarke Dr. 563-513-9236.



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EVENTS



13th Annual Juneteenth Celebration

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 @ 5-9 PM MULTICULTURAL FAMILY CENTER (1157 CENTRAL AVE) SATURDAY, JUNE 17 @ NOON-3 PM JACKSON PARK (1500 MAIN ST) SUNDAY, JUNE 18 @ 11 AM-1 PM JACKSON PARK (1500 MAIN ST) SUNDAY, JUNE 18 @ 1 PM DUBUQUE MUSEUM OF ART (701 LOCUST ST)

This year's three-day Juneteenth Celebration features activities at Multicultural Family Center on June 16 and Jackson Park on June 17 and 18.

On June 16 at the Multicultural Family Center, enjoy works of up-and-coming African American artists, spoken word, and poetry. Hosted by Briana Thompson.

The June 17 party in Jackson Park includes a talent show (cash prizes awarded), raffles, bounce house, games for all ages, community booths, local business vendors, door prizes, free food, and food trucks.

Then, the June 18 event at Jackson Park hosts a community prayer and praise at 11 a.m. Food trucks will be available. At 1 p.m., the Dubuque County Historic Preservation Commission, Dubuque Branch NAACP, and the Dubuque Museum of Art are doing a half hour presentation at the Dubuque Museum of Art followed by a walking tour to look at some of the sites and formers site. A reception back at DuMA follows.

Juneteenth, also called Emancipation Day, is a celebration of the day in 1865 when the abolition of slavery was announced in Texas. Although the Emancipation Proclamation was issued on Jan. 1, 1863, it was not formally announced or enforced in the State of Texas until June 19, 1865, more than two years later. Today, it is an American celebration of freedom and achievement, and focuses on building stronger communities.

The 13th Annual Juneteenth Celebration is hosted by the Multicultural Family Center. For more information, call the MFC at **563-582-3681** or visit **MFCdbq.org**. ■



Great Galena Balloon Race

EAGLE RIDGE RESORT & SPA NORTH COURSE PRACTICE RANGE

(444 EAGLE RIDGE DR, GALENA, IL) Shake out your blankets, grab the kids, and head to Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa in the Galena Territory for the Great Galena Balloon Race. Three days of family fun on June 16–18 host a night glow, a classic car show, art show, balloon rides, and, of course, the balloon race!

The first race begins Friday night at 6 p.m. followed by Saturday and Sunday morning at the "Crack of Dawn," when the hot air balloon pilots launch at 5 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 hot air balloon night glow at 8:30 p.m.

Live music begins at 5:30 p.m. with The Wundo Band on Friday and Joie Wails 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 for Camp Hertko Hollow, a camp for kids with diabetes, and Juvenile Diabetes Research (JDRF). The event has raised more than \$350,000 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**.





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THU 6/15

Live @ The Plaza: Amazing for All

5-8 PM @ GREEN STREET PLAZA (GALENA, IL) Celebrate diversity and inclusion with special Amazing For All giveaways. This family-friendly event features regional musicians, performers, food, and drinks. Free. 110 Green St, Galena, IL. 815-776-9200. visitgalena.org.



Jackson County Pro Rodeo

BELLEVUE HORSEMEN'S CLUB (BELLEVUE, IA) June 15-17. The Jackson County Pro Rodeo is a PRCA/WPRA sanctioned rodeo and is ranked as one of the top five small rodeos in the United States by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA). Enjoy the unique three-day event filled with cowboys, cowgirls, queens, food, music, and wholesome fun. Gates open at 5 p.m., free kid's corral 5:30–7 p.m., and rodeo starts at 7:30 p.m. Fireworks and free live music after the rodeo each night. Live music with Jimmy Welty Band on Thursday, The Ditch Lilies on Friday, and Whiskey River Band on Saturday. \$10-\$20. 25125-297th Ave. Bellevue. IA. bellevuerodeo.com

FRI **6/16**

Sunset Street Fest 5-9 PM @ CASCADE, IA Highlighting small businesses and local crafters plus food and beverages at Cascade's first night market. Live music on every block including the Eric Richards Duo and Gypsy. cascadechamber.org.

SAT 6/17

BSA Caravan Stop Day Camp 9 AM-3 PM @ CAMP C.S. KLAUS

Train in the Old West! From Olde Tyme crafting and panning for gold, water, to sharp shooting archery and bb guns, you will be kept busy the entire day. These one-day camps for all youths (not just Scouts) include a day camp T-shirt, event patch, and lots of memories. All youth must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Entering Grades 1–5. \$40 Youth; free parents/guardians. **scoutingevent.com**.

Herb Spiral Workshop

Herb Spiral Workshop 9 AM-NOON @ CONVIVIUM URBAN FARMSTEAD

Join Convivium Farm Manager, A.J., for this interactive workshop where you will first learn the basics of what an herb spiral is and how it functions, and then assist in the actual building of an herb spiral in one of our neighborhood gardens. Information and advice will be provided on the best herbs to grow in the different parts of the spiral-you will even tour Convivium's spiral! \$15. 2811 Jackson St. 563-557-2900. convivium-dbq.com.

Mushroom and Forage Hike

10-11 AM @ EB LYONS INTERPRETIVE CENTER Join Dubuque County Conservation staff on a hike through the woods to look for common mushrooms and wild foods of the area. Learn about native mushrooms. some edible mushrooms, and tips on foraging sustainably. Meet at EB Lyons Interpretive Center and hike out from there. Please dress for the weather. Good walking shoes, long pants, longsleeve shirt, and possibly a hat are recommended.

A shallow basket or brown paper bag make an excellent container in which to transport your foraged finds. Free. 8991 Bellevue Heights Rd. dbqconservation. eventbrite.com.



Woodland Fairy Garden Walk

10 AM-2 PM @ BELDEN SCHOOL (GALENA, IL) The Woodland Fairy Garden Walk features 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, free ages 10 and younger. 52 Heatherdowns Ln, Galena, IL. thegalenaterritory.com.



Dubuque Dog Expo 2-5 PM @ LINA'S LOUNGE DECK

An afternoon of fun and information with your favorite furry family member. Dog-friendly vendors from across the Tri-States will be available to chat, answer questions, share some stories, and give away some swag. 2055 Holiday Dr Suite 580. **dbqdogexpo.com**.



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Pride in the Park

TUESDAY, JUNE 20 @ 3-8 PM PLATTEVILLE CITY PARK (75 N BONSON ST, PLATTEVILLE, WI)

Celebrate pride with the Southwest Wisconsin Rainbow Alliance at Platteville City Park on Tuesday, June 20 from 3 to 8 p.m. Everyone is invited. Everyone belongs.

The family-friendly event boasts entertainment including poetry and storytelling along with food trucks and local vendors.

Kicking things off are Driftmore DJs who will also spin discs between acts. Also enjoy Kampfires (UUUU's), Darren Shireman, Drag Queen Bingo, Sarah Day, and a drag queen show hosted by Tha Snick L. Diamond and featuring Luna B. Lyon, Gypsy Black, Dimitri Darling, Jax Onyx, and Miranda Maize.

Kids activities include a jumpy house, hair dye or face painting, water activities, and an art table



Bring a blanket. Bring cash if you like. Bring friends and family, too! For more information, visit SWRainbowAlliance.org.



Tour of Gardens SATURDAY, JUNE 24 @ 9 AM-4 PM VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN

VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE AND PEOSTA, IA The Dubuque County Master Gardeners

in partnership with Dubuque County Gardeners, Inc. will be hosting their annual Tour of Gardens open to the public on Saturday, June 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visit five garden locations around Dubuque with themes including Woods Edge Garden, Country Heaven, Hydrangea Waterfall Paradise, 7-Acres of Heaven, and Learning as We "Grow." Three of the garden locations will host mini workshops focusing on berries, hydrangeas, and how to become a Master Gardener.

This year's featured gardens include:

 "Woods Edge Garden" by Bruce & Carleen Rehmke (Master Gardener)
 15547 Abbey Cir, Peosta, IA Workshop: Master Gardeners 101 (Who, What & Why) @ Noon and 2 p.m.

- "Country Haven" by Judy & Steve Selchert (Master Gardener)
 8753 Jennifer Ct
- "Learning As We 'Grow'" by Ken & Kathy Legrand 11472 Amy Dr Workshop: Caring for Brambles &

Berries @ 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. "Hydrangea Waterfall Paradise" by

LouAnn & Dan Arensdorf (Master Gardener) 8785 Scenic Hill Ln Workshop: Hydrangeas

@ 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

"7-Acres of Heaven" by Karen & Paul Wagner (Master Gardener) 9824 US 52,

Tickets are \$10 per person and can be purchased at any of the garden locations. For more information, call **563-583-6496** or visit **DBQTourOfGardens.com**. ■

EVENTS

WED 6/21

Make Music Platteville

11 AM-9 PM @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN

PLATTEVILLE, WI Make Music Platteville is an annual one-day citywide, free, outdoor day of music held on the summer solstice, June 21. Make Music Platteville will turn backyards, front porches and even showers into a virtual stage, and offer a full spectrum of performers the opportunity to display their musical skills. This year marks Platteville's sixth year in the international summer solstice music celebration They join more than 1,000 communities around the world in kicking off summer by filling the city with music. makemusicday.org/ platteville.

Lunch & Learn: Managing Your Garden Pests

NOON-1 PM @ CONVIVIUM URBAN FARMSTEAD Squash vine borer killing your zucchini? Cabbage worms putting holes in your kale? Order lunch and join Convivium Farm Manager AJ Shultz for an introduction to Integrated Pest Management (IPM). Take away some interesting and effective techniques to control pests in your garden this year. Free. 2811 Jackson St. 563-557-2900. convivium-dbq.com.



POPnology Classic Movie Nights: Back to the Future 5-7 PM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM Enjoy some of the classic science fiction films related to the summer exhibit at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium POPnology. Films will be shown in the 4D Theater in the National River Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. with films starting at 5:30 p.m. Ticket does not include admission to the exhibit. \$9 Nonmembers, \$7 members. 350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545**. **rivermuseum.com/events**.

Melodies of Summer: A Summer Solstice Event

6-7 PM @ SHALOM SPIRITUALITY CENTER Celebrate the summer sunshine and the longest day of light. The Summer Solstice is a time of energy and promise, an affirmation of the Sun's nurturing role in life on Farth including our own. Honor and connect to all this powerful energy with beautiful melodies; engage your senses through drumming and sound healing using crystal rain sticks, singing bowls, and more to deepen your sunny brilliance. RSVP by June 19. \$15. 1001 Davis St. 563-582-3592. shalomretreats.org.



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Join B-1 Yoga, Ignite Power Yoga Studio, Kaity Anne Yoga, Soul Revolution, and Challenge to Change and practice 108 sun salutations to honor, celebrate, and connect with the energy of summer. Come and join, do what you can, and leave when you need to. Music and instructors from all the community studios will be present. Donations support Mindful Minutes who bring yoga into the schools. Freewill donation. 700 Locust St. 563-495-0464. b-1yoga.com.

Wild Church:

Summer Solstice 7-8:30 PM @ SINSINAWA MOUND CENTER (SINSINAWA, WI) Fire and song, ritual and community, prayer and quiet: this inclusive, outdoor gathering is centered on honoring the longest day of the year. In a time of planetary upheaval, it is crucial to recover our elemental sense of connection and kinship with Creator and Creation. Inspired by Celtic tradition and the Wild Church movement. Lead by Eric Anglada, Sinsinawa's Ecological Programming Coordinator. Freewill offering. 585 County Rd Z, Sinsinawa, WI. **608-748-4411**. **sinsinawa.org/moundcenter**.

THU 6/22



Eagle Point Solar Open House 4-6 PM @ EAGLE

POINT SOLAR

Meet Eagle Point Solar staff, learn about solar energy technology, tour the facility, and see the equipment. Free. 2400 Kerper Blvd Ste A20. eaglepointsolar.com.



Statera June Book Club: The Good Life

5:30-6:30 PM @ STATERA UPPER LEVEL, CONFERENCE ROOM Discuss The Good Life: Lessons from the World's Longest Scientific Study of Happiness by Robert Waldinger and Marc Schulz. Join each month for a time of thoughtful reflection and meaningful discussion on books all themed around mind, body, and spirit health and wellness. Free. RSVP. 3375 Lake Ridge Dr. 563-207-8932. stateraintegrated.com.



The Dubuque Arts Council along with the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens celebrate more than 30 years of the area's premier free summer concert series every Sunday evening 6:30, June 4-August 27.

June 4: The Neverly Brothers celebrating their 2023 20th Anniversary Tour. Sponsor: McNamer Family Foundation



June 11: Lori Gravel & The Timber City Ramblers providing a "Branson Styled" show. Sponsor: Fidelity Bank & Trust; J&R Supply Inc.; Deery Brothers of Dubuque

June 18: Hunter Fuerste and His American Vintage Orchestra with musical recreations of the Big Band era including a fourteen piece big band, soloists and a harmonized vocal group. Sponsors: MidWestOne Bank; Conlon Construction Co.; Steele Capital Management, Inc.; Steve and Diana Moore



June 25: The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra's family-friendly concert features a range of musical styles. Enjoy a sneak preview of the orchestra's 2023-2024 season, and the Youth Summer String Camp's final performance (5:15 pm). *Sponsors: GreenState Credit Union; The Wahlert Foundation*

July 2: Secrets with a wide variety of hits from the 1960's-80's. Sponsors: Dupaco; Burkart Brothers Flooring; Burkey's Bar & Grill; Home+Floor Show

July 9: Layne Yost, Jon Shimoda, and Carol McDowall with a "Tribute to the Music of John Denver." Sponsors: Dutrac Community Credit Union; Anderson-Weber Toyota; Parco/Old Chicago

July 16: Denny Diamond and The All Night Long Show Band, one of the top Neil Diamond tribute artists in the world. Sponsor: A.Y. McDonald Manufacturing

July 23: The Chicago Irish Band, Ring of Music with Top 40 hits spanning the 1950's through today. Sponsors: Department of Psychiatry at Medical Associates; Premier Bank; Vinny Vanucchi's Little Italy (Dubuque and Galena); University of Dubuque, Heritage Center; Anonymous

July 30: Kids from Wisconsin celebrating their 55th year. More than 30 of the State's most potential-filled youth give a one-of-a-kind performance. Sponsor: Fuerste Eye Clinic

August 6: Classical Blast's with *Bach to Rock* entertainment featuring classic rock music all mashed with classical music by the great composers. *Sponsor: Lowe's*



August 13: Boogie Monster with dance hits from all genres. Sponsor: Cottingham & Butler

August 20:Ten Gallon Hat playing country and rock. Sponsor: Premier Bank

August 27: Brushfire Bandits with rock, country, disco and more! Sponsor: Riley Subaru

Corkless in Galena

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 @ NOON-6 PM DEPOT PARK

(91 BOUTHILLIER ST, GALENA, IL) Corkless in Galena, a wine event celebrating Illinois' family and local owned wineries, will be held Saturday, June 24 from noon until 6 p.m. in Galena's Depot Park. Spend an afternoon sipping handmade wines of seven Illinois wineries. Taste fabulous food from regional food trucks. Listen to world class live music while visiting with local artists showcasing incredible handmade creations.

Depot Park sits along the Galena River with fabulous views of historic architecture and Driftless Region scenery. Sample Illinois handcrafted wines from August Hill Winery, North Utica; Fergedaboudit Winery, Hanover; Galena Cellars Winery, Galena; Lavender Crest Winery, Colona; Massbach Ridge Winery, Galena-Elizabeth; Sable Creek Winery, Plainfield; and West of Wine Winery, Petersburg. Listen to music by Jordan Danielson and Jef Spradley starting at noon playing a mix of soulful ballads and blues with a touch of hip hop, followed at 3 p.m. by headliner Dylan Doyle Band playing a unique style touched of delta roots, rock, and jazz.

Enjoy tasty food from Birds. Serious Chicken, of Dubuque; Howling BBQ of Dubuque; Bonfire Pizza Company of Galena; and Vesperman Ice Cream of Lancaster, WI. Touch your inner artist as you stroll viewing creations of artists Cindy Legate of Twisted by Design, Kewanee, WI; Laura Bomgardner of Lollypalooza, Moline, IL; LeeAnn Breitbach of BGA Love of Dubuque; Dan Aldeman of Pound Town Art, Dubuque; and Henry Matthiessen III of Stoned Art Studio and Gallery, Dubuque.

Parking is free. A covered tent with seating will be on hand or bring your chairs, small tents, or coverings (up to 10'x 10') are welcome. Well behaved pets on leashes are also invited.

Tickets are \$20 for adult admission which includes a Corkless Festival glass and five tasting tickets for wine or food. Presale \$20 tickets are available through June 22, which includes a Corkless Festival glass, five tasting tickets for wine or food, and a \$5 bottle voucher. Tickets can be ordered at **CorklessIngGalena.com** or at the festival entrance. Tickets for designated drivers and under 21 years of age tickets are \$5.



FRI 6/23

Couples Cooking Fun: Rhubarb Crumb Pie 6-7:30 PM @ GALENA

ARC (GALENA, IL) Learn how to make rhubarb pie with Lynnie. Create a from scratch pie crust filled with rhubarb and covered with Lynnie's special crumb topping. Ready to take home and bake. Pie tin will be supplied. Bring a baking/ cookie sheet pan to carry pie home on. Bring your favorite wine, beer, or beverage to enjoy during class. You can also sign up as an individual and create your items solo cost is still the same. \$45/ team. 11084 W US HWY 20, Galena, IL. 815-777-2248. galenaarc.org

Summer Stroll and Stories 7 PM @ LINWOOD

CEMETERY June 23, Aug 25, Sept 22. Stroll along the paths with GRIPS, to graves of the movers and shakers of Dubuque buried at the beautiful and serene Linwood Cemetery. Enjoy tales of the Tri-State area's past. Relish in the warmth and sunshine of the season. Sign up starts t 6:30 p.m., walk begins at 7 p.m. Space is limited. RSVP. \$10. 2736 Windsor Ave. 563-213-9043. grips@netscape.com. gripsghosthunt.com.

SAT 6/24



Galena ChalkFest 8 AM-4 PM @ GALENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS (GALENA, IL) This family friendly event brings all together for a day of artistic fun. Live music, kids drawing zone, food and drink available for purchase. \$20/team, free for spectators. 971 Gear St, Galena, IL. galenacenterforthearts.com.

Tiny Art Show 9-11 AM @ CARNEGIE-

STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY Pick up supplies beginning June 1 and show off your artistic talents in Carnegie-Stout Public Library's second annual Tiny Art Show! There are two ways to participate: either stop by the library to pick up a kit with everything you need to create a mini masterpiece at home, and then return it to Carnegie-Stout Public Library by June 30: or register for a spot to gather and create in the library's auditorium on June 24 at 9–11 a.m. Patrons of all ages and abilities are welcome to participate Artwork will be on display during the month of July. All ages. RSVP required. 360 W 11th St. 563-589-4225 x2228. CarnegieStout.org.

Shenanigan's Veterans Freedom Center Ride & Benefit

FICHMAN'S BAR The biggest bike ride around returns to Dubugue leaving from and returning to Eichman's but still named for Shenanigan's (the original host). Run stops at 4 Way, Buene & The Barn. Ride leaves at 11 a.m. and returns at 3:30 p.m. for festivities outdoors. Registration from 9:30 a.m. \$10. Live music, raffles, hog roast (3-5:30 p.m.), silent auction, kids entertainment. You don't have to ride to join the party. 11941 US-52.

WED 6/28

Yoga Jams Live 5-7 PM @ ALLIANT AMPHITHEATER Join B-1 Yoga for two backto-back, 45-minute, all-level yoga practices plus live music by seven musicians: Kristina Marie Castañeda, Marcus DeJesus, Theresa Cook, Lexi Healey, Austin Scott, Nathanial Gee, Joie Wails. Hot Diggity Dogz and Stone Cliff Winery offer food and beverages. Tips for the musicians are appreciated. Free. 600 Star Brewery Dr. 563-495-0464. b-1yoga.com

FRI **6/30**



Jay & Leslie's Laughing Matters 10 AM @ DUBUQUE ARBORETUM

Do you enjoy watching jugglers? So do we! Do you enjoy stories told with humor and heart? So do we! Do you like having fun at the library? So do we! Join Jay and Leslie for their 2023 summer reading program "United We Laugh" a show full of juggling, mime, hat tricks, stories, magic, and other nonsense. Join the library twice a month on Friday mornings at the Dubuque Arboretum for an outdoor library program. From music to science and even bike tricks, this is the place for family educational fun. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and get ready for a show. These programs are sponsored by the Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens. No rain dates. All ages. 3800 Arboretum Dr. 563-589-4225 x2228. CarnegieStout.org.

Shenandoah Freedom Reins Pro Rodeo

6-9 PM @ SHENANDOAH RIDING CENTER (GALENA, IL) June 30 and July 1. Featuring bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, bull riding, women's barrel racing, and "Mutton Bustin." \$15/\$10. TheGalenaTerritory.com/ freedomreins.



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The Five Flags Center is located at 405 Main St. in Downtown Dubuque. Fees may apply to ticket purchases. Tickets are available at Ticketmaster.com or at the Five Flags Center Box Office. For more information, call 563-589-4254 or visit FiveFlagsCenter.com.



FLY-BY-NIGHT PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

The New Sincerity JUNE 9 AND 10 @ 7:30 PM FIVE FLAGS BIJOU ROOM Join Fly-By-Night for their 40th Season presenting *The New Sincerity* by Alena Smith on June 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Five Flags Center Bijou Room.

In the office of a hip literary journal, Asymptote, we meet the young, idealistic and cynical, work-a-day staff, while outside in the public park a political protest ensues. When one of the protesters intrudes on the office, emotional conundrums begin. Is it an opportunity to participate in the defining activist movement of their generation or the difference between sincere action and skillful self-promotion? Entertaining, funny, thought provoking, the play enjoins us to enter the world of young working adults trying to figure out what matters in life, against a backdrop of turbulent political times. This production features mature

content and strong language. Tickets are \$20 at the Five Flags

Center box office, online, and one hour prior to performance (cash only), based on availability. For more information, visit **FlyByNightDubuque.com**.



Comedian Jim Breuer FRIDAY, JUNE 16 @ 7:30 PM FIVE FLAGS THEATER



Kenny Wayne Shepherd THURSDAY, JUNE 22 @ 7 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER Kenny Wayne Shepherd heads to

the Five Flags Theater on Thursday, June 22 at 7 p.m.

There are few artists whose names are synonymous with one instrument and how it's played in service to an entire genre. Utter the phrase "young blues rock guitarist" within earshot of anyone with Comedian Jim Breuer is coming to the Five Flags Theater stage for the first time ever on Friday, June 16, at 7:30 p.m.

Breuer, one of Comedy Central's "100 Greatest Standups of All Time" and an *SNL* Alum, is a global sensation. He has a multitude of appearances on latenight television shows, radio shows like *The Howard Stern Show*, and his Comedy Central specials such as *Hardcore* and *Let's Clear The Air* are some of the highest-rated in the network's history.

Enjoy an evening of laughter with a self-described "deep-rooted family guy with hardcore blue collar roots," who loves to make people laugh. Tickets are \$48-\$78.

even a cursory knowledge of the modern musical vanguard, and the first name they are most likely to respond with will be Kenny Wayne Shepherd. The Louisiana born axeman and songsmith has sold millions of albums while throwing singles into the Top 10, shining a light on the rich blues of the past and forging ahead with his own modern twist on a classic sound he has embodied since his teens.

In a 20-year recording career that began when he was just 16, Shepherd has established himself as an immensely popular recording artist, a consistently in-demand live act and an influential force in a worldwide resurgence of interest in the blues.

From television performances on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, The Late Show with David Letterman, and Jimmy Kimmel Live (amongst others) to features in Rolling Stone, Vanity Fair, Spin, and more, his musical career has been nothing short of phenomenal. Tickets are \$70-\$100.

Laughter is Therapy Comedy Special

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 @ 7:30 PM FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Laughter is Therapy Comedy Special brings a night of comedic talent to the Five Flags Theater on Saturday, June 10, at 7:30 p.m.

Get therapy you can truly afford, administered by the comedians of Laughter is Therapy, Comedy Special presented by Burnt River Dojo. Featuring the talents of Dan McCullough, Forest Schoenrock, BURNT RIVER DOJO Presents: Laughteris Destructions Destructions Destructions Automatical States of the set Alos Main Street Dubruse, Main States at 7:30pm

Austin Ingels, "Big Poppa Kronk" Scottie Lee, Dana Moss-Peterson, Brody Tudy, Zach Vaughn, "The Wizard" Chris Coffman, Ben Woodfield, and Todd Baysinger. Hosted by Tim Blanco. Ages 18+. Tickets are \$16-\$21. ■



Koe Wetzel WITH PECOS AND THE ROOFTOPS AND DYLAN WHEELER SATURDAY, JULY 1 @ 8 PM FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Don't miss your chance to see Koe Wetzel live at Five Flags Arena on Saturday, July 1 at 8 p.m. He is joined by Pecos and The Rooftops and Dylan Wheeler.

Koe Wetzel might just be the last real rebel out there. The gold-selling East Texas-born singer, songwriter, guitarist, and producer shakes up the status quo, shatters expectations, and sticks to his guns with a sound steeped in country storytelling, yet spiked with grunge grit.

Breaking through with a series of independent releases and tallying over 1.3 billion streams to date, he has impressively notched three RIAA gold-certified singles, including "February 28, 2016," "Something To Talk About," and "Drunk Driving." Tickets are \$40+. ■

SUNDAY

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

Dubuque Cars and Coffee

9 AM-NOON @ VETERANS MEMORIAL PLAZA 3^{PD} SUN THROUGH OCT Casual meet up for cars of all makes, models, and years. Coffee, donuts, and drinks will be for sale. Proceeds go to Veteran's Freedom Center. 1795 Admiral Sheehy Dr. facebook.com/ dubuquecarsandcoffee.

Music in the Gardens

6:30 PM @ DUBUQUE ARBORETUM & BOTANICAL GARDENS THROUGH AUG The 31st season boasts 13 weeks of family-friendly music in a variety of styles. Bring a chair or blanket. Presented by the Dubuque Arboretum or The Dubuque Arboretum or The Dubuque Arts Council. Free. 3800 Arboretum Dr. 563-556-2100. DubuqueArboretum.net/ music-in-the-gardens.

MONDAY

Dubuque Area Humanists 6:30-8 PM @ DBQ CO PUBLIC LIBRARY ASBURY BRANCH (ASBURY, IA) 3RD MON Cultivate a community who is good without God. Free. 5290 Grand Meadow Dr, Asbury, IA. facebook.com/ dubuqueareahumanists.

TUESDAY

Early Explorers

10 AM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM 1st TUE & 1st SAT *No event on 7/4.* Discover the ABCs through handson and active activities. Ages 2–5 with parent/ caregiver. RSVP suggested. \$10 for non-members; \$8 for members; adult free. 350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545**. **RiverMuseum.com.**

WEDNESDAY

Sinsinawa Mound Farmer's Market

4-7 PM @ SINSINAWA
 MOUND COLLABORATIVE
 FARM (SINSINAWA, WI)
 4[™] WED THROUGH SEPT
 Featured vendors include
 Collaborative Farmers,
 Sandhill Farms, City Girl
 Farming, The Mound's Farm,
 Sinsinawa Bakery, and
 Sinsinawa Book & Gift Shop.
 2551 County Rd Z, Sin sinawa, WI. 608-748-4411.
 sinsinawa.org/farm.

Cuba City

Community Market 4-7 PM @ VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK (CUBA CITY, WI) 3RD WED THROUGH SEPT Featuring Vesperman Farms ice cream, homemade goods, meat, fresh produce, Sinsinawa baked goods, and arts and crafts. 100 S Washington St, Cuba City, WI. 608-744-2152. CubaCity.org.

Toastmasters Speakeasy Club

5:30 PM @ TBA 2ND, 4TH, AND 5TH WED Overcome your fear of speaking in front of a group and develop the skills to give an organized, dynamic, and interesting presentation while also building your confidence. Ages 18+. Free. facebook.com/ ToastmastersSpeakeasyClub.

Dubuque Harley Davidson Bike Nights

6-9 PM MCGRATH DUBUQUE HARLEY-DAVIDSON LAST WED THROUGH AUG Motorcycle enthusiasts gather for outdoor parties featuring live music, great food from Catfish Charlies, cold drinks, and more. Classic cars, Jeeps, off-road vehicles, or anything with wheels is welcome. \$1,000s in prizes each night. 145 N Crescent Ridge. 563-557-3735. dubugueharleydavidson.com.

She Unites

6:30-7:30 PM @ 7 HILLS EVENT CENTER 3RD WED An inclusive women's group working to connect women across the region through education, philanthropy,



facebook.com/ GarysGraffitiNights.

mutual support, and more.

THURSDAY

In the Mind's Eye

2ND THU THROUGH OCT

committed to improving the

The respite program is

quality of life and bring-

ing the joy of art to people

living with mild to moderate

Alzheimer's disease and their

caregivers. Participants look

at and talk about art, engage

in an art activity, and share

conversation in a safe and

A typical session involves

viewing one or more works

in the exhibition followed by

variety of mediums including

clay, pastels, paper or paint.

RSVP required. 701 Locust

St. 563-557-1851 x115.

Farmers Market

(DYERSVILLE, IA)

THROUGH OCT 5

offerings. 225 11th St SE,

Millwork Night

5-8 PM @ 7TH-9TH

AND JACKSON ST

farmers' market fea-

tures high-quality local

food producers, artists,

musicians, and brewers.

Smoke-free and pet-free.

bags, and lawn chairs.

BYO water, reusable grocery

MillworkNightMarket.com.

Gary's Graffiti Nights

No event 7/27. Cars 1979 and

older gather for a 1950s/60s

car show based on American

Graffiti with music and door

prizes. 14569 Old High-

way Rd. 563-588-1406.

5-9:30 PM @ DUBUQUE

COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

THROUGH SEPT 14

2ND THU THROUGH OCT

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Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

JUNE 9, 10, 15, 16, AND 17 @ 7:30 PM JUNE 11 AND 18 @ 2 PM

THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE (135 8TH ST) The Grand Opera House and Rising Star Theatre Company presents *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Beloved by generations, Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's reimagining of the Biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob, eleven brothers and the coat of many colors has been entertaining audiences for over 50 years. Performances are on June 9–10 and 15–17 at 7:30 p.m. and June 11 and 18 at 2 p.m.

Told entirely through song with the help of a main character Narrator (Kristina

June 9–11 and 16–18 at 7 p.m. in its enchanting, electrifying, immersive outdoor production of Shakespeare's comic fantasy, *The Tempest*.

Presented in the breathtaking natural amphitheater of The Irish Cottage's historic fairy circle, grab a cocktail and be swept away... not just into a performance, but into a living, breathing, interactive world of absurdity, enchantment, and romance.

Stranded on an island of monsters and spirits, the sorcerer Prospero and his naïve daughter Miranda find their peaceful paradise turned topsy turvy as the modern world crashes onto their beach! Shipwrecked princes, drunken comedians, grumpy fairies, and fishy servants are only the beginning.

Tickets are \$29 and can be purchased at **GalenaShakes.com** or in cash at the door. ■

Castañeda), the musical follows preferred son Joseph (Mike Grant). After being sold into slavery by his brothers, he ingratiates himself with Egyptian noble Potiphar (Jeremiah Winkler), but ends up in jail after refusing the amorous advances of Potiphar's wife (Carrie Lohrmann). While imprisoned, Joseph discovers his ability to interpret dreams, and he soon finds himself in front of the mighty but troubled, Elvis-inspired, Pharaoh (Brandon Golden). Joseph's solution to Egypt's famine elevates him to Pharaoh's right-hand man and reunites him with his family.

The magical musical is full of catchy songs in a variety of styles, from a parody of French ballads ("Those Canaan Days"), to country-western ("One More Angel in Heaven") and calypso ("Benjamin Calypso"), along with the unforgettable classics "Any Dream Will Do" and "Close Every Door." The sparking show is filled with great music, laughter, joy, and heart.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is directed by Nick Halder and choreographed by Megan Schumacher. The cast features 60 local performers of all ages playing the various roles throughout the musical.

This production marks the second collaboration between the Grand Opera House and Rising Star Theatre Company. They previously produced *Disney's The Little Mermaid* in August of 2022 as their youth production, which they will once again be collaborating on this August with *Peter Pan*.

Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children under 18. Tickets can be purchased in person at the box office, by calling **563-588-1305**, or at **TheGrandOperaHouse.com**.



Godspell—2012 Revised Version JUNE 15-17, 21, 23, AND 24 @ 7:30 PM

JUNE 15-17, 21, 23, AND 24 @ 7:30 P JUNE 18 AND 25 @ 2 PM BELL TOWER THEATER (2728 ASBURY RD) Bell Tower Theater brings its 10th Annual high school musical to the stage. See *Godspell–2012 Revised Version* on June 15–17, 21, 23, and 24 at 7:30 p.m. and June 18 and 25 at 2 p.m.

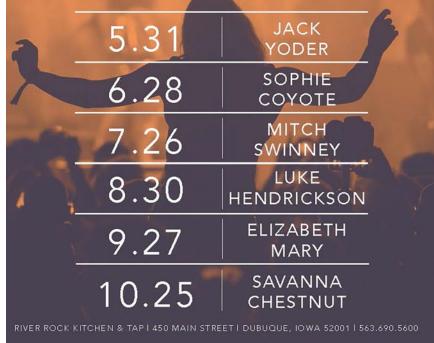
Based on the Gospel according to St Matthew, *Godspell* follows the last days of Jesus and includes musical versions of well-known parables. This successful rock opera is a demonstration of joy and a celebration of the family of man. This new version is a masterful retelling of the original sensation, injected with contemporary references and dazzling new arrangements.

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AMERICAN MELODY AND VIKING MISSISSIPPI

Riverboat Travel Hits High Gear

Story By Bryce Parks Photos by Nelson Klavitter and Contributed

Riverboat passenger travel on the Mississippi River is as storied a tradition as we have in the Midwest. Being one of the very best river cities for tourism among the entire stretch of the mighty river, you can imagine that we'd get our fair share of river-going vessels making port in our fair city-and you'd be right. While the frequency of visits has ebbed and flowed over the years, we're currently entering into a new and unprecedented era of this pastime. If you thought Dubuque got a lot of visits from the majestic boats that own the river before, hold onto your skiff. We're about to add some serious horsepower to that paddle wheel.

While it would not be fair to say that the popularity of the pastime ebbed in the early 2000s, it may be fair to say that those tourist waters got a little overfished for a while, or at least, not properly stocked. Okay, I'll stop with the silly metaphors.

According to Julie Kronlage, Vice President of Sales at Travel Dubuque, in 2008, there was "kind of a riverboat implosion of the large excursion lines. Everybody was doing so much business, and they were over top of each other so much that riverboats kind of stopped in 2008."

Before 2008, Mississippi River tourism travel was dominated by the old guard including the venerable Mississippi Queen, the Delta Queen, and the American Queen. Since then, two of those have been retired, with the Delta Queen reportedly being converted into a stationary hotel in Louisiana. The American Queen is still part of American Queen Voyages, but that's really the last big old historic riverboat to be running.

Julie tells us that it was in 2010–2011 that the large riverboat excursion cruises started looking to come back in service, at least as far as Dubuque is involved. How could they not? We're dead smack in the middle between St. Louis and St. Paul. We have a lot more to offer than some of those smaller communities on the river. And our unique amenities and their proximity to the river are very advantageous.

American Cruise Lines was the first of the companies to start coming back with tourist travel, and the American Queen followed. They changed the name last year, by the way, from American Queen Steamboat Company to American Queen Voyages. Even a decade ago, things that are just happening now started to quietly take shape as Viking Cruises started to test the waters of the Mississippi for their high-end luxury passenger ships. But we'll get there later... and sorry for another metaphor. I can't help it.

Amidst and even before this shake-up in the travel boat industry, regional riverboat tourism was alive and well as the Riverboat Twilight and the Celebration Belle were actively entertaining passengers on one- and two-day trips up and down the Mississippi from Davenport, IA / Moline, IL to Dubuque, IA. The Twilight first arrived in 2005, and the Celebration Belle began its 100 Mile Day Long Cruise from Moline, IL to Dubuque around the turn of the millennium. Both are still going strong today.

As the boats we list get smaller, the number of passengers served by the boat vessel actually goes up. Did you



AMERICAN SYMPHONY

know that the American Lady Cruises, which makes port next to Catfish Charlie's restaurant on Chaplain Schmitt Island in Dubuque served approximately 24,000 passengers last cruise season via lunch, happy hour, and sunset cruises?

So tally it up, and the amount of people enjoying the waters of Dubuque is staggering. If we don't count the daily sightseeing trips of the American Lady, there were 125 stops made in Dubuque by all of the players combined, including Riverboat Twilight, Celebration Belle, American Queen Voyages, American Cruise Lines, and Viking Cruises in 2022. And some of these lines have multiple vessels with more on the way. If you like looking at the big ships, you can just about pick any day during the summer and find one at the port. In fact, the Travel Dubuque website (traveldubuque.com/riverboats) has a handy 2023 Riverboat Schedule showing every single Dubuque stop from May to October, with the large excursion ships where passengers stay on the ships overnight arriving at the end of June.

While we can point to a lot of evidence showing that riverboat travel was always alive and well in Dubuque, what is it about the arrival of Viking Cruises that changed the landscape? I asked that question of Dubuque City Manager Mike Van Milligen.

"Viking Cruises announced that they were going to come here, beginning with one boat, and eventually they would like to have six boats saying, 'We'll have a boat in Dubuque six days a week from July through October.' When Viking Cruises told us that they were going to be coming to the Mississippi River-remember, they're an international riverboat cruise line-they said, 'Now, you might think that the other riverboat cruise companies are going to be upset because there's going to be more competition. It's going to be exactly the opposite because we are a marketing machine on an international basis.' And they were right. The American Queen built three new boats after Viking announced they were coming."

They say hide tide floats all boats, but in this case, massive marketing increases travel across all riverboat options. If you wonder if they can really sustain that level of traffic. Well, first I'd say these guys probably know a heck of a lot more about that than we do, but I can also just direct you to **VikingRiverCruises.com** where you'll see that you cannot even book a trip on the Mississippi this year. They are long sold out. And 2024 has heavy booking already with sell-out dates there as well.

Viking is also the most expensive option. So whether you can't get on a Viking ship because they're full or they're too expensive (or maybe you don't have a horned helmet), there are more options out there. And those fill up too.

Their maiden ship is, unsurprisingly, the Viking Mississippi. Newly built just last year and 450 feet long, it hosts 386 guests in 258 rooms (staterooms to suites) with a crew of 148. It will be making 12 stops in Dubuque this season. It features "clean Scandinavian design, as well as public spaces that are familiar to guests but that have been reimagined for Mississippi River voyages. Purpose-built for the Mississippi, the ship's cutting-edge design, expansive windows, and comfortable amenities make it the first truly modern cruise ship in the region." There's an Infinity Plunge Pool, a 360-degree promenade deck, a restaurant, a cafe, lounges, bars. and elevators throughout the ship.

If you can even get a booking, the upper Mississippi trips between St. Louis and St. Paul range from \$4,499 per person to, well, if you have to ask, never mind. Their 22-day trip from New Orleans to St. Paul started at \$17,999 per person. Started. Suites can run double and triple that rate. So clearly, this is a somewhat exclusive target demographic. Well-off seniors, in case you need it spelled out for you.

Next up, but by no means a step down, would be the ships of American Cruise Lines. Their Upper Mississippi

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River Cruises also run from St. Louis to St. Paul and back aboard the American Heritage (a real paddle wheeler built in 2015), the American Melody, the American Symphony, and new in 2023, the American Serenade. These smaller ships host 150-180 passengers each, and the newest ships are all less than 3 years old, launched in 2021, 2022, and 2023. The newer vessels are very modernlooking, smaller versions of what we see from Viking. And the prices aren't far off, with weeklong trips starting at \$4,920.

American Queen Voyages (a separate company) is the classic paddle wheeler company you envision when thinking of old-school Mississippi passenger travel. They feature a 9-day itinerary from St. Louis to Minneapolis starting at \$3,999. Similar to the other cruises, they lean hard on the iconic vision of "exploring the territory that served as Mark Twain's muse." Built in 1995, the American Countess was actually cut in half and extended by 60 feet to increase passenger capacity when it changed names from being the Kanesville Queen Casino Boat in Council Bluffs, IA. Interestingly, the ship was sold as scrap to Newt Marine of Dubuque in 2013 before the 2016 sale, and after many delays, it launched in 2021. The ship boasts a grand dining room, grand lobby, and a theater as well as a coffee shop, fitness center, and four levels of suites and staterooms.

Julie Kronlage says most of the cruises are running from St. Louis to St. Paul but notes that all of them have to come to us out of New Orleans one way or another, which is why tours by the big boats don't really get going until the end of June.

"Typically, the first cruise of the season is going to go from New Orleans to St. Paul, and that's going to be a 21-day cruise, and that's going to be on all cruise lines. Then, your season-ending cruise is going to be that same thing, St. Paul, then down to New Orleans, but they may also go all the way down midseason as well. Otherwise, most of those ships are staying on the Upper Mississippi and just doing that seven-day, six-night cruise back and forth."

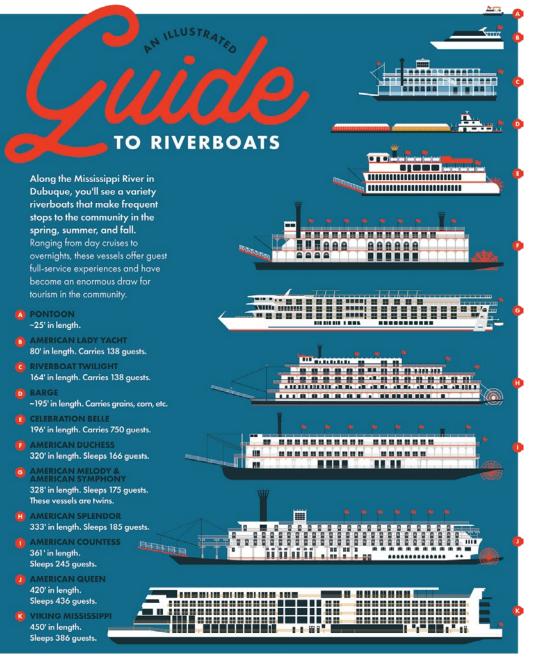
There's a lot to say about what these river travelers do when they get to Dubuque too, but I'm going to save that as I want to get to the rest of the boats first.

The Celebration Belle offers shorter regional trips with the vessel hosting entertainment, meals, and great scenic views from two outside decks, but it does not have overnight accommodations. In other words, there are no cabins on this paddle wheeler when it visits Dubuque monthly, July through October.

Susan Yarolem who runs group sales and marketing for Celebration Belle pointed out what's particularly special about their boat that others don't make available in Dubuque. "We do an all-day cruise that leaves on Tuesday from the Quad Cities and goes up to Dubuque. But what's different about us is that the boat actually stays in Dubuque on that following day, Wednesday, and then we offer cruises throughout the day. So this allows us to have a four-hour themed lunch cruise [classic oldies, for example] that



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CELEBRATION BELLE

boards at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, cruises at 11 a.m., and returns at 3 p.m. This year we've got a tribute to Piano Man, and we have an Oktoberfest the same day [different bands on different decks]. And then in September, we've got a Hits of the Decades cruise. The short cruises offer a full hot lunch buffet, all for \$68.95."

Then, in the evenings, they offer a Captain's Dinner Cruise at 5:30 p.m., returning at 8:30 p.m. That's a threeentrée dinner buffet with prime rib for only \$54.95. So, you get a taste of the river on a paddle wheeler and a great meal, and if you go as a couple, you're still under \$150 either way, tax included! Not bad for a fun day compared to \$5,000 for a week.

By the way, if you want to take a trip from Dubuque to Prairie du Chien, it's only \$151.95, and they will drive you back by bus. An October cruise also goes from Dubuque to Savanna, IL for \$95.95, all inclusive. Even an allday cruise from Dubuque to Moline, IL includes three full meals with coffee or iced tea, live entertainment, the captain's



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RIVERBOAT TWILIGHT

narration, tax, and meal gratuity for \$188 95. And a ride home, of course.

Certainly, the most frequent visitor to the Port of Dubuque is the wonderfully nostalgic Riverboat Twilight, birthed out of LeClaire, IA. They've been visiting Dubuque regularly since 2005, and even when the big boats went away for a while, you could still find the Twilight making her runs.

Twilight owner, Carrie Cloat Stier, acknowledges her niche market, and even with all the giant boats adding Dubuque to their itineraries, they are not really in direct competition. And as Mike Van Milligen noted, more interest in river travel is good for everyone. The Twilight is also small enough to actually enter Dubuque's Ice Harbor, so it has its own dedicated slip and never has to vie for a parking spot out in the open channel.

Similar to the Celebration Belle, if a \$10,000 trip on the river is not in your budget, here's your fantastic answer. "We have that lovely little peace that if the economy is not great, we're still at a good price point. Those big boats are more about the entertainment inside and the shows and the food, and we're more about 'let's look at the river and learn about the river.'"

And the food is still great here, too. I can attest. I've traveled downriver on the Riverboat Twilight with friends. We were the youngest people on the boat by a margin, but we had a great and completely relaxing time.

The Twilight currently does two trips a week in June, July, and August and three each week in September and October as the leaf's are changing. That means they visit Dubuque some 50-plus times a year with more than 6,000 passengers, 140 at a time. They do have 2-day trips as well, and many of those are already sold out. Twoday trips mean an overnight in Dubuque which is great for the local economy. Like the big boats, they too offer local sightseeing stops for their 2-day patrons. The 2-day signature cruise from LeClaire to Dubuque and back includes all three meals plus snacks; one-night, off-boat lodging in Dubuque; entry to the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium; a Dubuque shuttle; and entertainment and activities onboard with rates from \$429 per person.

A 1-day cruise from Dubuque to Guttenberg includes a continental breakfast, a mid-morning and mid-afternoon snack, and a full lunch. Take in historical narration, great scenery, wildlife, and live entertainment. If river conditions allow, they will dock in Guttenberg to give passengers the opportunity to spend time in this quaint, river town. Be sure to listen to the instructions from the captain for the re-boarding time. Lunch will be served after the boat departs from Guttenberg. If docking is not an option, lunch will be served at approximately 12:15 p.m. Arrival time back at Dubuque is approximately 5 p.m. The 1-day cruises are only \$189 per person, but they also only happen for three consecutive days in August, September, and October, so plan accordingly!

The captain also knows these waters well, and his 35 years of experience lend to a great narration during the trip as you enjoy awesome scenery from three levels of outdoor decks. Since I follow them on Facebook, I've seen the extensive updates that took place this spring with new carpeting, fresh paint, and a whole lot of TLC to make the elegant boat a memorable experience.

Even more frequently traveled is the hard-working American Lacy Yacht featuring public and private cruises all season long from Catfish Charlie's on Chaplain Schmitt Island. They specialize in 1.5- to 2-hour public cruises along the banks of Dubuque. Depending on which day you ride, they will have a combination of lunch, happy hour, and evening dinner cruises. Rates range from a \$24 sightseeing tour to a \$51 dinner cruise. Some special cruises like Fireworks and Fall Colors are also available but are going fast. It's a very convenient and affordable way to get off dry land for a couple of hours and chill on the river. During the course of the year, they actually take more people on the river in Dubuque than all the bigger boats combined. So keep that in mind when you think about the economic impact of local river tourism travel.

Why, what an amazing segue, Bryce! Let's talk about the impact because it happens in a number of ways, some measurable and some not.

Going back to the bigger boats: Even when they stop in Dubuque, riverboat passengers have a limited amount of time to absorb as much as they can about our awesome city. And that is where Travel Dubuque really comes into play. I had no idea just how complex Julie Kronlage's job was until it was all laid out before me.

Every one of these boats needs an itinerary of what they're going to see when they get here. Then, they need transportation to get there, and in some cases, tickets to get in and more. Would you believe that for the massive Viking Mississippi, there are eight fully unique itineraries that a passenger can take once they step off the boat? American Cruise Lines each have four. American Queen has three. And Julie prepares them all, right down to the scripts that the tour guides use to narrate the excursions.

These tour packages are upsold to the passengers, so right there is income for some of the venues they will be visiting. Some boats have their own buses traveling with the boats, and I'm sure you've seen them all over downtown and beyond. Other boats hire our local motor coaches like Windstar or Tri-State Travel. And these tours can be extensive.

Depending on the boat, tours will visit the Field of Dreams; Cable Car Square and the Fenelon Place Elevator; the famous Tiffany stained glass at St. Luke's United Methodist Church; the historic Millwork District; the Dubuque Museum of Art; Galena, IL; Stonefield in Cassville, WI; and even all the way to Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin in Spring Green, WI.

"Our city tour takes them around the community," explains Kronlage. "We drop off at the Dubuque Museum of Art, the Fenelon Place Elevator, here at the Iowa Welcome Center, and then at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, for American Cruise Lines as an example. Then, we also have another tour called "Delight and Dubuque" that takes them to our north end. I was most excited about that tour because I really want to see more expansion for some of the tourism offerings we have on our northend. So we stop at Steeple Square to tour

St. Mary's. Then we go to the Dubuque Arboretum, Convivium Urban Farmstead, back into the Fenelon Place Elevator, and return to the ship. Those places are all seeing a direct impact because they're getting admission charges that are coming into them. And when you look at a place like St. Luke's or the arboretum or St. Mary's, that money is substantial throughout the year. It's all about how we push those people out into the community to go into each of these locations."

The restaurants probably don't see as much business as our attractions do and some of our smaller stores because travelers are eating on the ship, but that doesn't deter people from still stopping in. Maybe they're tired of boat fare. I know I like to sample the local food when I travel.

The Port of Dubuque Marina convenience store is open again this year, packing it down there with ice cream and sundries. It's operated by the City of Dubuque's Leisure Services Department. Maybe it's time to get some Dubuquebranded compression socks made locally along with a whole lot of "Dubuque"flavored clothing and visors? Why do older people love visors so much?

What I found stunning is not just that all the boats have tours, but that they are also all different from each others'. No two cruise lines want give the same tours as other lines, and each line has different rules and lingo for tour guides. The 10 tour guides that Travel Dubuque trains for Viking work only for Viking tours, and the same goes for other cruise lines. There are 27 guides in total. So, there's no crossover and no confusion. No one gets the same script, and no cruise lines get upset that you didn't stick to their carefully crafted protocols. And, of course, sometimes there are two boats in town at the same time, so you can't split a tour guide two ways. It comes down to a huge logistical juggling act for Julie and the Travel Dubuque team to keep everything running and doing so smoothly. And the cruise lines notice.

"Our partners all of the riverboats often say to us how nice lowa is and how good it is working with us in Dubuque and with all of our Iowa partner communities," notes Julie. "I personally think they wish all of the Iowa contingency was doing the plans on every other part of the river."

When the tours hit on a system that works, they stick with it. Time is limited, so they visit the greatest hits of Dubuque and move on. Most of these visitors have not been here before, and a lot won't be here again, at least not on this same boat tour. So, there is no need to change up the tour each year. and the boats don't want to anyway.

The big overlap this summer will be in September when we host the USS

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LST 325 Navy vessel visit for six days of tours. When they're docked, we also have three other large riverboats coming in and out, parked right next to them. And the Riverboat Twilight will be making her weekly stops during that same time.

If we're talking hotel stays triggered by riverboat traffic, the Twilight has the biggest impact of all the boats. "The Twilight will generate the most because the ship is here so much," explains Julie. "Close to 3,000-room nights in 2022. We work hard with all of our riverboats that stop in the community, but the Celebration Belle and Riverboat Twilight do put the most heads in beds."

The impact from hotel stays in of course important, but remember, riverboat passengers impact in a community reaches far beyond that stay. There's ancillary spending. From aspirin, to food, to art, to collectibles, and more.

"We were also told that the average cruise line passenger spends about \$150 per stop, and a Viking Cruises passenger spends \$500 per stop," shares Dubuque City Manager Mike Van Milligen. "Let's acknowledge it's very expensive to ride Viking Cruises. It's going to be a lot of very wealthy international guests who are going to discover Dubuque that would have never had that opportunity before. So places like the gift shop at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium are going to do really well. And a couple of years from now, if they have boats here every day or even six days, suddenly you're supporting lower Main Street gift shops and restaurants. They don't want to eat every meal on the riverboat."

And not all of the economic impact from this growth will come in dollars. Keep in mind that tens of thousands of new visitors will be seeing Dubuque for the first time, and when they do so, they're getting a well-curated look and the very best of our community.

Kronlage says there are also repeat visitors coming back to town via land. "There'll be people who will stop in the Welcome Center, and they'll say, 'Oh, I did an American Cruise Line tour of the Mississippi River 7 years ago, and now we're driving through, and we wanted to stop back again.' We hear it a lot from the people that are on the ship that they really like the Dubuque stop because we're so close to the river."

Van Milligen certainly has an eye on the big picture. "The nice thing about Viking, for example, is we already know that the Mississippi River is an international destination. But them being an

international marketing machine, they're going to bring so many more international guests to the City of Dubuque. They're going to see the Field of Dreams and Eagle Point Park and the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium and the historic buildings. And they're going to leave Dubuque, we believe, having a very good impression. As a matter of fact, Viking Cruises told us that on the entire Mississippi River, there were three can'tmiss cities: New Orleans; Hannibal, MO; and Dubuque. And there's a potential that some of those people will decide to invest money here. We've had that experience before. Would it be residential property? Will it be commercial property? Will it be industrial property? Will it be jobs? I think over time, it'll be all those things."

So now it's our turn to own this new opportunity. From as little as taking the time to go down and witness these beautiful boats when they come in to dock at the Port of Dubuque and possibly even greet some of our new guests in person, to getting actively involved in the growth of the industry through employment or investment.

Will tremendous river traffic create the need for more riverboat parking spots, and could one of those be at Chaplain Schmitt Island? "Well, I think that's actually a great suggestion," notes Van Milligen. "They're talking about a \$130 million investment in Schmidt Island over the next three years. I'll guarantee that some of those riverboats will find that attractive. This is going to create a tremendous amount of exposure for us on an international basis. And you combine that with the Field of Dreams, which is going to be and has always been an international destination as well, it adds a lot of character."

Fifteen years of developing Dubuque's approach to welcoming these boats still haven't jaded Julie Kronlage. "I enjoy it. Working with the teams on each of the riverboats to create a memorable experience is just a lot of fun. It's fun to just listen to the visitors aboard the ship. I like to be there when they come off the ship and when they go back on the ship just so that I can ask, 'So what do you think?' or 'Was I right about visit?'"

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FEATURE STORY



The Eagle Point Fishing Barge Reopens... Renewed

Grand Opening and Cookout Saturday, June 10 @ 2 PM Eagle Point Fishing Barge (4380 Eagle Point Rd, Hazel Green, WI)

By Bryce Parks

Ashley Lawrence and Zach Kuhl have two big things in common: They know how to run legendary bars, and they love fishing. In fact, these guys have been going on fishing trips together for years. It was on one of those trips that they both realized they had been kicking around the same idea. So, when the opportunity came around to acquire the old Eagle Point Fishing Barge just below the Lock and Dam on the Wisconsin side of the river at O'Leary's Lake, the pair grabbed their gear and hooked this big catch. There has been a fishing barge there for years, as long as they or I can remember, and they have the feeling that the current vessel is maybe the third iteration of the venerable fishing destination—a retired sand dredge. It was managed by a cool old guy named Carl with some investors, and though these two bought the place, Carl is there right now helping out. I think maybe he came with the purchase of the barge, and Ash and Zach are just fine with that.

Zach currently owns the storied Kieler Mall, which is a bar, naturally. And Ash owns the Sandy Hook Tavern. And if what Ash has done to re-invent the Sandy Hook Tavern into an amazing weekend destination for music lovers is any indication, you can bet that this fishing barge isn't going to just sit there and be what it always was. They're taking it places... without ever moving it.

Recently under some renovation, the destination fishing spot and bar is getting a good cleaning up and reorganization. They added a deck on the front, and the duo gave it an overall fresh dose of energy. And they have bigger plans for the future as work continues even as they open. In addition to offering fishing accessible to disabled individuals, Ash is looking at the entire lake the barge sits in.

"I want the whole lake," Lawrence tells us. "That's going to be a process and needs to go through committees and stuff like that. A five-year process or more. It's just garbage all the time, and it needs attention."

And Ash has a great track record of turning tired venues into a great thing. He's not looking to retire just yet, but he's also ready to get out of the late-night weekends at the Sandy Hook and get into a lower-key way to make a living. Here he'd be done at 8 p.m. every night.

"It's something that I can manage into my life and Zach can manage along with his place."

As for what to expect when you visit the Eagle Point Fishing Barge, Zach Kuhl assures you, "What I can honestly tell you is if you come down, there are six of the best bar stools in the Tri-States. You just can't beat it. And you can go out on the deck."

There are 20 seats on the front deck, some fishable, and a little standing bar as well.

They've kept the vessel open as the rehab is underway. One of the first things they noticed since assuming operations is the huge diversity of folks who have shown up to fish.

"We've had Yugoslavian and Russian people coming in right now because of the sturgeon run," says Lawrence, "and people from Chicago, Green Bay, and Michigan. There's a group from Canada, and they come here just specifically to just fish sturgeon and get caviar."

It only costs \$5 to come down and fish on the barge, and, hey, there's a bar and snacks—everything you need. And yes, you sure can bring the kids. Accessibility for all, both age and abilitywise is important to these guys. "We do moderately price everything, even though it's twice as hard for us to get everything there," adds Ash, who does own an amazing food trailer at the Sandy Hook. He is allowed to cater food to the barge, so who knows what you'll see. It's an odd situation as they technically fall under maritime law, which means they basically regulate themselves. And the plans continue to make the barge and the lake better and better. First will come lighting and a new dock off the back and solar power, but they really want to run the whole lake before it's over. They've already begun in good faith, lawn mowing and maintenance of the grounds right now.

"We're showing that we're good stewards of the property. In order for me and Zach to try to get any improvement money, that's what you do. But it doesn't happen in one summer. It happens in two or three years. And you can't take it out of your own pocket."

They plan to improve signage to help guests find the spot, but for the uninitiated, turn onto Eagle Point Lane right there at the Sandy Hook Tavern. Drive down past the Kall Inn, crossing Bluff Road, and Eagle Point Road will take you right to the parking lot at O'Leary's Lake Recreation Area. The skinny lane to the left goes out onto the point where the barge sits. It's mostly on-the-road parking at the barge. Hopefully that road will be in a lot better shape in a couple of months as it's a little rough following the flood.

So, if you don't have a boat or a friend with a "spot" you can visit, this is a great way to engage in the sport of fishing with ease, comfort, a great view, a cold beverage, and an opportunity to catch both a big fish and a wonderful memory. It all starts with a grand opening celebration on Saturday, June 10 at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For updates and more, find "Eagle

Point Barge Bar LLC" on Facebook.

FEATURE STORY



30 Years of Trash

Story By Bryce Parks Photos by Bryce Parks and Dave Haas

For many performers, once a musician, always a musician. Many players in local Dubuque bands have been at it for much of their adult lives, but the list of musicians that can point to one band that they are a part of, that has stood the test of time and crossed over milestones, with the lineup greatly unchanged, and the recognizable name firmly entrenched in local music lovers' minds is short. Very short. I think of the Mississippi Band, and now, crossing over the 30-year mark together, you have to give it up for Dubuque's kings of '70s, '80s, and '90s hard rock: Johnny Trash.

You will be hard-pressed to attend a major multi-band music festival in Dubuque and not find Johnny Trash on the roster. In addition to headlining hundreds of shows for their own die-hard fans, they've played with everyone who's anyone in the hard rock world who's come to Dubuque, sharing stages with Alice Cooper, Cheap Trick, Warrant, Tesla, Firehouse, Halestorm, Quiet Riot, Slaughter, Puddle of Mudd, Jackyl, and more they can't even remember.

But on top of that, there's a magic here that's kept them going at the top of their game for three decades. You could point to skill, as they all have it in spades. These guys are just great musicians, period. But what makes them who they are, and surely what has kept them together for so long, are two key ingredients. One: they are all just simply extraordinarily nice guys. Like, crazy nice. Generous and humble, even when rocking your face off like metal gods. And two: the magic sauce is that before being a band, these guys are best friends... "family," they call it. And nothing makes playing music more fun or makes it sound or look better than when you're playing it with friends that you clearly love performing with so much that the whole crowd can see it.

Currently, and for some time now, the band is comprised of Gary Newsom on bass, Tony Rokusek on drums, Gene "Geno" Rokusek on guitar, Steve Napolitano on guitar, and, of course, lead singer, Craig Ihm. Tony remembers it beginning when he left the band Crysis and brought another member, Dave Adams (guitar), with him to start a new band. "About a week later, his brother Geno called from the road, and I told him about it, and he said, 'That's funny because we're dissolving our band too.'" Geno was in the well-known road band Vaduz, and then Rock Pig (from which the Pig Pen bar in Clinton, IA was eventually named).

Geno continues, "Rock Pig was playing four to six nights per week, and I was working in Dubuque, and I just couldn't do it. I left Rock Pig, and we started Johnny Trash in Dubuque in the summer of 1993, and it gelled really well."

Craig and original bassist Mark Whitaker came about when Tony was getting a haircut from Craig's sister. "She asked how things were going. I said, 'We need a singer and a bass player,' and she said, "Well, my brother is a singer in Snidely Whiplash which was also just breaking up."" Must have been a bad year for bands, I guess.

They started in Craig's garage. "We had a New Year's Eve show but no name. We needed a name for the marquees," says Craig Ihm. It was 1993. So they had been practicing for months and were finally ready to gig at the end of the year. The name started around Johnny Cash. Then, Mark Whitaker came up with "Johnny Trash," and it stuck for 30 years.

The key to the band working is all about the vocals for singer Craig Ihm. But he doesn't mean that in an arrogant way. "There are songs I can't sing. We've tried things I can't do well, and I'm stuck in a certain range and style for my voice. So it's AC/DC, Kiss, Judas Priest, and Ozzy."

Geno chimes in, "And we're all fine with that. That's what we grew up with, and we're all on the same page. We love playing it. I don't think I'll ever get sick of playing it. And people still love hearing it."

That may be the other unique thing about this cover band. They play the bands people from the '80s metal scene love, but you don't just subsist on the hits. No one does more AC/DC in Dubuque (well, not until Electric Shock AC/DC tribute was formed). But for all the killer AC/DC those guys crank up, you're not going to hear "You Shook Me All Night Long." Everyone else plays it. They don't need to, don't want to. And their fans don't care. They like the band, love these bands, and have a deep knowledge of their discography. The fans are probably happier to hear a deep cut they know but have never seen live than some band's No. 1 radio-friendly hit.

That's what Gary noticed and loved about Johnny Trash when he first saw them before eventually taking over the bass duties. "I drove to Hammerheads/Dr. B's with our mutual friend Brian to see these guys, and it was just packed. What got me was that they were doing deep cuts of these bands I love. I didn't audition, but they had tried another guy, and it didn't fit."

Gary fit nicely and has for 27 years since. Steve Napolitano is the "new quy" though, since 2015, playing guitar #2. Dave Adams started a business and bowed out. Actually, Shawn Alyasiri, who was previously in Snidley Whiplash with Craig played guitar for Johnny Trash for a two-year stint in the '90s when Dave was dealing with some health issues, but he eventually returned. After a while of not playing out following Dave's final departure, Gary called Geno and said, "Hey man, I wanna play," and Geno said, "Ok, I got one guy that could probably fill in for Dave." He called Steve and asked if he wanted to fill in for a little bit. "Maybe a couple of months... just for the summer." Steve hadn't been playing at the time, so he came up to jam, and well, it worked. They had musical chemistry from previously playing together in Rock Pig, and one summer turned into eight.

Chemistry is so crucial to the guys. "If you're a virtuoso on your instrument and you're a dick, get out," says Geno. "And if you're a good guy and play well, you're in."

"And I think that's what keeps us together for as long as we have," explains Ihm.

"We've cycled songs in and out. Some songs we loved didn't go over." Loved tunes are "Metal Gods" and, if you know the band, "Balls to the Wall" by Accept, one of Craig's signature pieces. I find their shows interesting because they don't hesitate to do blocks of songs by the same bands all together. I had not seen that before in cover bands. But you simply don't see bands, even '80s metal bands doing "Midnight Maniac" by Krokus or The Cult, and if they do Def Leppard, it's certainly not "Mirror Mirror." They just pick a radio hit.

"I love new music, don't get me wrong," Ihm is quick to add, as evidenced by a side project, Sins of Seven, that focuses heavily on newer music. But if Johnny Trash does new tunes, it's new cuts they've never done from old albums recorded during their golden fandom years.

Speaking of signature pieces... You will always be able to spot Johnny Trash on stage from a mile away because of two things. Craig's trademark bare feet and coveralls have been his uniform forever. "My grandfather's a farmer, and he wore bibs. Hardly ever wore a shirt, just bibs and shoes, and I want to be comfortable on stage, so I went with bibs because of grandpa," explains Craig.

And to match that history, you'll always see Geno wearing a button-down gas station mechanic work shirt with his name embroidered on it. In my opinion, if anyone ever looked like a rockstar in Dubuque, it's Geno. If you saw him at the grocery store, you'd be like, "That dude plays guitar!'

One person the band is quick to credit and thank for helping them establish a strong following and known name in the local music scene is Scott Thomas. As a local promoter for many years, he has not only created long-running festivals such as Kickoff to Summer and Summer's Last Blast, but he also works deals to bring big names in rock to town. When those artists are the right genre and need a supporting act to open up on big stages from Five Flags to the Dubuque County Fairgrounds Grandstand, Johnny Trash most often gets the call. The band is great, but Scott has put them in front of tens of thousands of people over the years, solidifying their place atop the Dubuque rock and roll hierarchy.

But they're not just filling opening slots. These guys have a loyal following all their own, and they will add a nice chunk of the audience to any show on which they share a bill.

"Scott also brought Firehouse down to see us play once, and they got up and played with us, and that's even better than opening for them," Craig said. "CJ Snare (Firehouse singer) was up there singing with me, singing our cover songs for us. We're the same age. And he's a fan too because we'd opened for them before."

"Lizzy from Halestorm called herself Lizzy Trash because she liked us," says Craig. "The manager wished we could go on the road with them because there's so much conflict with big bands on the road, and there's no conflict or attitude with us guys."

But despite doing some touring with bands in their younger years, these guys have never had delusions of conquering the world. They own this town. They toured the Tri-State area for 30 years and never really played any more than a couple of hours away.

"We got offers for Chicago and that and just don't care," says Craig.

But they're not lazy. "New Guy" Steve Napolitano says, "I see a work ethic that I've never seen in my years in bands. They just practice, work hard, and exhibit professionalism."

"Do our job, get out there, and bring it every night, and entertain people," interjects Ihm.

"They're easygoing," Steve picks up, "That's why I'm still here. I drive from Clinton for practice. It's two and a half hours back and forth. I wouldn't do it if these guys weren't great guys to play with and talented."

That's dedication to drive to Dubuque just to practice together. And yes, after 30 years, they still practice. In the end, this is a passion project, not a career. All of these guys work regular jobs too, and diverse jobs at that.

Craig Ihm works for PPG Paint as an application specialist all across the US and Canada and Mexico. Tony Rokusek works for Collins Aerospace, testing out airplane cockpit equipment. Bassist Gary Newsom works at Green Industrial Supply: "Best place I've ever worked!" Steve Napolitano is a financial advisor in Clinton, and Geno Rokusek owns A-1 Windshield Repair.

The youngest guy in the band, Tony, is 53, and Gary is the oldest at 61. And they rock.

"But we can make mistakes on stage," says Craig, and Geno adds, "We're raw, but that's what rock is."

Raw rock is not what you think of when you think of a symphony, but I have had the pleasure of seeing both Craig and Geno perform with the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra's annual Ultimate Rock Hits show at the Diamond Jo Casino's Mississippi Moon Bar, and it's a wonderful experience to behold. Great performers from very different genres coming together.

"It is an honor to play with the symphony," shares Geno, who was a featured guitarist again this year. "I love it. I'm glad they get different musicians. They're great."

In regards to DSO Music Director and Conductor William Intrilligator, Geno notes, "I'm gonna tell you something. That guy is absolutely through the roof amazing. He sees music, and he knows what everyone is supposed to be doing. He's the flipping sh*t! I've done four shows, and it was awesome. I would have loved to do a Johnny Trash thing with the symphony, but it's not my say. It's not my gig. But to just get this whole band up with the symphony for a couple songs would be a dream."

Are you reading, William? So what's next? Are there more milestones to hit? If you love Johnny Trash, you're not going to like what comes next.







GARY NEWSOM AND STEVE NAPOLITANO

"Everything winds down," admits Craig Ihm. "I'm not Mick Jagger. This might be the last year as Johnny Trash. We've been a staple in Dubuque for 30 years. There's some young people I've told, 'Your mom and dad probably went home and did the nasty after one of our shows, and here you

are!'" And he's probably right. "We're never playing a slow song," ensures Craig. "We're not doing ballads, and we've stuck to our guns on that. One of the best descriptions of Johnny Trash: It's like going to a hog roast. You know what you're going to get!'"

Today they're more selective with their shows. "We used to play a lot," Ihm explains, "Now it's like, eight to 10 times a year."

The rarity of the shows makes the diehard fans more enthusiastic to come to one. It's almost a special event these days, and thus, they get great crowds for their shows wherever they are. If you didn't see them this week, you can't see them next week.

But at some point, if you don't think you can do it at the level you are at, do you want to keep doing it not quite as well? Craig's been singing in bands since he was 16 years old in 1978, bands like Revelation which became Sledge Feather in the early '80s. Then the super heavy Chambre Made before Snidely Whiplash.

Geno started playing in bars at 14 and never got carded with bands like Blind Ambition, Vaduz, and Rock Pig.

Gary didn't start playing bass until he was 27. "I was doing sound for a band, and their bass player left, and I had three days to learn so many songs." Johnny Trash is his only Dubuque band. He says he was spoiled. "It's like joining Kiss."

Steve mostly played Clinton and the Quad Cities in bands, and Tony,

of course, played drums in Crysis with vocalist Buck Mess.

And let me give a nod here to Buck Mess who is still singing today, (with Mark Whitaker playing bass) and doing so very well with his long-time hard rock band Menace in Dubuque. While Craig is a harder-edged metal singer, Buck is a more melodic singer with an amazing range, even as he hits his mid-60s. These two guys both sing the '80s hard rock they love to a very loyal crossed-over fan base. I saw Menace last weekend at the Sandy Hook Tavern. Their more mainstream set is still a hair metal lover's dream. We're lucky to have these two great options in town, but the clock is ticking on both, so don't wait around to enjoy them this year!

Johnny Trash knows their die-hard fans well and loves them. "We have fans that have tattoos. One fan, Rick, has a full back tattoo. Russell has got a guy on his calf." The fans become great friends.

And they have favorite haunts to play from current venues like Yardarm, Q Casino, and Poopy's in Savanna, IL, and they ALWAYS play Summer's Last Blast. But back in the day, it would have been Dr. Bs, My Brothers Place, and Mr. Hydes in East Dubuque with the famous stage above and behind the bar.

Before they're done, Gary would love to write and play one original Johnny Trash song. "Originals just never seem to go over. But just for us, to do one of our own."

"I still get butterflies every night before we get up," admits Craig. And Geno says, "I have to take a Valium before a show to calm myself."

Craig jokes, "It used to be, 'How many shots did you do tonight?' and now it's like, 'What pills does your doctor have you on?' It takes me three days to recover from a show." They also tune down a half step to save his voice. Trust me, it makes all the difference. "But my throat never goes away. I'm sure it did back in the day. I'm trained differently. I've changed the way I sing a little bit over the years. Trust me, it's not easy every night."

Drummer Tony says, "I play hard, I play heavy. To this day, I play the same. And that gets grueling on your body. I break cymbals and sticks and heads. But it's still 100%."

So, Tony's hearing's shot. Craig's got A-fib and high blood pressure. I guess Steve is the only healthy one.

"We don't take ourselves seriously sometimes. It's a good life," says Craig. "To us, it's more than just playing. It's visual, too. They need to see you having a good time and goofing off. We try to perform for everyone, not just play. I learned that watching show bands come to Junnie's. Why would you want five jukeboxes up on stage and not interact with each other and with the crowd, right?"

"There's times where I watch these guys on stage, and I just start laughing," says Gary. "Not because of a mistake. It's just some goofy things they do that make it special. And I also see the best guitar players, best drummer, and best singer around. I have the least self-esteem, and they make me work harder and want to practice and make me a better bass player." Trust me, he's already an excellent bass player.

"We've had great crowds over the years," says Craig. "Let's face it, our crowd's older now. Not everyone wants to stay out 'til 3:15 a.m. The 8-to-12 gigs are the best." Far better than the one time they played to one guy in a blizzard in Cuba City back in the day or got through three songs in a monsoon up north.

"And when we see musician friends out there, come on up, we welcome you! Not on shows when we're openers, but



TONY ROKUSEK

if it's our stage and we've got plenty of time," adds Craig. "That's fun."

So, will this be their swan song year? They think it's likely. But I just can't see these guys hanging it up completely. There's just way too much talent and skill left on the plate. Maybe there will finally be new bands for some of these old dogs to learn new tricks. Then again, if famous '80s rockers are a template, you can't have a kick-ass reunion tour until you retire at least once first!

"We've been very fortunate..." finishes Craig.

Johnny Trash will be in the Iowa Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. If there's one thing fans can do to say thanks for 30 years, it's to get those nominations in! I'm going to. I think I just wrote it right here!

Upcoming Johnny Trash Shows

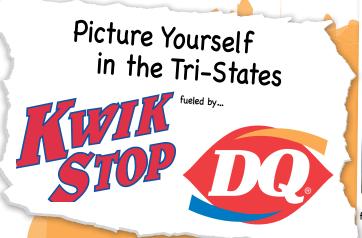
Saturday, June 17 8 PM @ DUBUQUE MARINA & YARDARM

Saturday, July 15 VOLBEAT AFTERPARTY 11 PM @ Q CASINO SHOWROOM

Saturday, August 12 8 PM @ DUBUQUE MARINA & YARDARM

Saturday, August 26 SUMMER'S LAST BLAST 8 PM @ Q CASINO BACK WATERS STAGE

Saturday, September 16 7 PM @ POOPY'S (SAVANNA, IL)





EJ Droessler rakes 3,400 pounds of fresh rhubarb that arrived from Iowa to flavor the lightly tart and fruity wine coming this season from Galena Cellars Winery in Illinois.



Dubuque Area Arts Collective hosted a controversial Art Beyond the Human Hand A.I.-based opening reception at Smokestack.



Hundreds gathered on a Sunday afternoon for the Multicultural Family Center's Pride Family Picnic + Block Party in support of the local LGBTQ+ community.



Dubuque Boy Scouts joined local military Veterans, marching bands, vehicles, floats, and more at the Dubuque Memorial Day Parade, held this year downtown on Schmitt Island and ending at the Veterans Memorial. Photo by Ben Roethig.



Art lovers gathered to celebrate to opening of the amazing new Voices Studios gallery space on Central Ave. in downtown Dubuque.



Celebrated rapper Flo Rida got the huge crowd hoppin' during the first weekend of Q Casino's Back Waters Stage concert series sponsored by MidWestOne Bank. Photo by Kodiak Creative.



This happy youngster enjoys the fruits of Project Rooted's labor at an amazing event centered around art and bringing together teens and families from diverse backgrounds at the MFC. Hosted by Brianna Thompson and Georgie Nakima.



Summer nights full of baseball have returned to the magical Field of Dreams Movie Site in Dyersville, IA!



U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg visited Dubuque to meet with community members and discuss important transportation issues and tour of the Elm Street corridor. A \$2.3 million RAISE Grant will assist with planning a vehicular/pedestrian overpass, street enhancements, and more.



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Cruisin' Thursdays: Johnnie Walker 5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave. East DBQ, IL

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

Mini Monster 6 PM @ Houlihan's

Tony Walker 6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Casey Klein 6 PM @ Yardarm

THU 6/8 Joie Wails Millwork Night Market: 6 PM @ Trackside Bar & Grill The DZ Combo (Peosta, IA) 5 PM @ 8th & Jackson St

Asher Cataldo, Bryce Reeg,

Logan Wheat, Laura Calhoun 6 PM @ Gehlen Barn Beer in the Barn Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Pride Trivia Night 6 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

Music in the Park: Point Five 6 PM @ City Park (Platteville, WI)

Benny Bassett 6 PM @ Textile Brewing Company (Dyersville, IA)

An Evening of Words & Music: Mikkel Beckman, Charlie Parr, Carv Morin Duo 7 PM @ Fox Den Motel



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FRI 6/9 Food Festival Fridays: Joie Wails 11:30 AM @ Washington Park

Damn Juhl 5 PM @ Smokestack

Music on Main: Retro Gold 5 PM @ Town Clock Plaza

Steve & Randy 6 PM @ Days Inn Spirits Bar & Grill

Stone Wolf Trio 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Chalk the Park Festival: Rock Steady 6 PM @ Riverside Park (Cassville, WI)

Camp Cardinal 6:30 PM @ Lacoma Golf (East DBQ, IL)

Downtown Summer Nights: The Party Band 6:30 PM @ Legacy Square (Dversville, IA)

Iulius 7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Tiger Kings 7 PM @ Hilltop at Menominee (Menominee, IL)

Johnnie Walker 7 PM @ Locals Bar (Epworth)

Drag Bingo Pride Party @ 7 PM Lojo Russo @ 9 PM Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Hangin Around 7 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)

Joie Wails 7 PM @ Maguoketa Brewing (Maquoketa, IA)



Three Quarter Buzz 8 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

SuperKick 8 PM @ Yardarm

Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

lan Gould

8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's

TyJon Charlie 9 PM @ Lock 12 (Bellevue, IA)

Poison Arrows, Products, Haves Noble 10 PM @ The Lift

SAT 6/10 Dubuque Farmers' Market: Dubuque Symphony, Lexi Healey 7 AM @ 11th-13th & Iowa St

The DZ Combo 10 AM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

Kayla Brown @ Noon Kara Gordon @ 5 PM Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

Galena Pride Picnic: Liliana Asta, Brion Bowman, Drag Show Noon @ Grant Park (Galena, IL)

Scales Mound 170th Birthday Meghan Davis @ Noon The Resistors @ 2 PM Dvlan Dovle Band @ 4 PM Lori Gravel & The Timber City Ramblers @ 6 PM Ten Gallon Hat @ 8 PM Scales Mound Park and Basketball Court (Scales, Mound, IL)

Fever River String Band 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard (Scales Mound, IL)

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

Big Night Out 2 PM @ Massey Marina Jef Spradley 2 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, II.)

Matt & Amanda 2 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)

Gvpsv 3 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Rocktail 3 PM @ Hilltop at Menominee (Menominee, IL)

Theresa Rosetta 5 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

Kristina Marie Castañeda & Shawn Healy 5:30 PM @ Champagne on Main (Galena, IL)

John Moran 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Sam Day 6 PM @ Potosi Brewery (Potosi, WI)

John Gay 7 PM @ Days Inn Spirits Bar & Grill

Donovan Gustafson 7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Mark Zalaznik 7 PM @ Gehlen Barn Beer in the Barn Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Laughter is Therapy **Comedy Special** 7:30 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Stolen Grace 7:30 PM @ Midtown Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Josh Thomas & Friends 8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

The Scratch Offs. Brent Windler 8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Run Forrest Run 8 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

Your Mom 8 PM @ Yardarm

lan Gould 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Josh Sinclair 8 PM @ Galena Brewing Co (Galena, II.)

Galena Pride After Party: **Boogie Monster** 8 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Them Coulee Boys, Humbird, Long Mama 8 PM @ Codfish Hollow Barnstormers (Maquoketa, IA)

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

STACKED: Postal, Chicon, Darkhurst 9 PM @ Smokestack

SUN 6/11

Drag Brunch 11 AM @ Ashton Hill Farm (Galena, IL)

Steve Cavanaugh & Randy Droessler Noon @ Tony Roma's

Elizabeth Mary (Solo) Noon @ Millennium Bar & Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Laura McDonald & Robbie Barr 1 PM @ Yardarm

Jimmy Welty Band 1 PM @ O So Good Winery (Dyersville, IA)

DR Band 1 PM @ Bellevue Golf Course (Bellevue, IA)

Joie Wails 1 PM @ River Ridge Brewing (Bellevue, IA)

Boogie Monster 2 PM @ Days Inn Spirits Bar & Grill

Clark Wilkinson 2 PM @ Asbury Eagles Club (Asbury, IA)

Mark Zalaznik 2 PM @ Textile Brewing Company (Dyersville, IA)

Adam Beck 2 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)

Johnnie Walker 2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery (Guttenberg, IA)

Tony Walker 3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

BJ McAndrew 3 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

Three Quarter Buzz 4 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

Big John Hammer & The Rusty Nails 5 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern (Hazel Green, WI)

NIGHTLIFE

Music in the Gardens: Lori Gravel & the Timber City Ramblers 6:30 PM @ DBQ Arboretum

Corey Jenny 7 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

TUE 6/13

David Mehrl 5:30 PM @ Carnegie-Stout Public Library

Massey Road 6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Summer Nights at the Plaza: Gin, Chocolate and Bottle Rockets 6 PM @ Schreiner Memorial Library (Lancaster, WI)

WED 6/14

Bike Night: Cal Coohey 6 PM @ Jimmy's Pub (East DBQ, IL)

Music by Gib 6 PM @ Midtown Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Shekinah King 6 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Jimmy Welty Band 6 PM @ Pizzeria Uno The Annex (Platteville, WI)

Kampfire Kings 7 PM @ First Reserve

Ellie Ruth 7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Iowa CCI's Summer Jamboree: Dick Hubert, Dartanyan Brown, Young Forgi, Christine Baker 7:30 PM @ Smokestack

THU 6/15

Three Quarter Buzz 5 PM @ Jimmy's Pub (East DBQ, IL)

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

Live @ The Plaza: Liliana Asta 5 PM @ Green Street Plaza (Galena, IL)

Leo David 6 PM @ Houlihan's

Stone Wolfe Duo 6 PM @ Lina's Lounge

Ralph Kluseman 6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Back Booth Duo 6 PM @ Yardarm Music in the Park: Panchromatic Steel 6 PM @ City Park (Platteville, WI)

Maquoketa Summer Concert Series: Far Out 283 6 PM @ Green Space (Maquoketa, IA)

Tri-State Wind Symphony The Accordion Divas @ 6:15 PM Conductor Dr. Nolan Houta @ 7 PM Alliant Amphitheater

Flotsam River Circus Benefit 7 PM @ The Lift

The Guthries 7 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Jackson County Pro Rodeo: Jimmy Welty Band 8 PM @ Jackson County Pro Rodeo (Bellevue, IA)

FRI 6/16 Tom Pease 10 AM @ DBQ Arboretum

Elizabeth Mary 5 PM @ Park Farm Winery (Bankston, IA)

Chad Olson 5 PM @ River Ridge Brewing (Bellevue, IA)

Sunset Street Fest: Eric Richards Duo , Gypsy 5 PM @ Cascade, IA

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

Rock Steady 6 PM @ Days Inn Spirits Bar & Grill

Three Quarter Buzz 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Johnnie Walker 6 PM @ Back Bar Annex (Platteville, WI)

Bryce and Asher 6 PM @ Lock 12 (Bellevue, IA)

Madhouse 6:30 PM @ Lacoma Golf (East DBQ, IL)

Jacquie Miller Duo 7 PM @ Gehlen Barn Beer in the Barn Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Molly Shannon 7 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA) Jim Breuer 7:30 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Ozzy & Bon JoeB 7:30 PM @ Midtown Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Got Your Six 8 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

David S. Kruse, Skinny & The Shakes, Addison Aronson 8 PM @ Smokestack

Boogie Monster 8 PM @ Yardarm

Hearthfire Duo 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Tony Walker 8 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Jackson County Pro Rodeo: The Ditch Lilies 8 PM @ Jackson County Pro Rodeo (Bellevue, IA)

Jason Kane & The Jive 9 PM @ The Lift

SAT 6/17 Dubuque Farmers' Market: Sam Day, Brion Bowman 7 AM @ 11th-13th& Iowa St

John Moran 10 AM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

Bruce Kort @ Noon Steve Kalmes @ 5 PM Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

Kofi Baker, Not Dead Yet, Gladdy Ressler Family Band Noon @ Council Hill Station (Council Hill, IL)

Kristina Marie Castañeda & Shawn Healy 1 PM @ River Ridge Brewing (Bellevue, IA)

Ace Jones 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard (Scales Mound, IL)

JJ Schmitz 2 PM @ Gehlen Barn Beer in the Barn Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

DR Duo @ 2 PM Searchlight Soul @ 8 PM Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Side Piece 2 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)









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SAT 6/17 The Gambler:

Kenny Rogers Tribute 2 PM @ Ohnward Fine Arts Center (Maguoketa, IA)

Mississippi 3 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

Jeff Theisen 3 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina (East DBQ, IL)

The Broken Rubber Band 3 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

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

Big Cat Eddie 5 PM @ Potosi Brewery (Potosi, WI)

Great Galena Balloon Race: Joie Wails 5:30 PM @ Eagle Ridge Resort North Course (Galena, IL)

DR Band 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Hunter Fuerste & His American Vintage Orchestra 6 PM @ Turner Hall (Galena, IL)

Jimmy Welty Band 7 PM @ Days Inn Spirits Bar & Grill

George Shingleton @ 7 PM Roseloft @ 10 PM The Lift

Stolen Grace 7 PM @ Cajun Jack's (Elizabeth, IL)

Peyton Ruddy & Friends 8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

Brad Upton 8 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino Mississippi Moon Bar

Trapper Schoepp, Dickie 8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Renegade Wildflower 8 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

Disco on the Roof w/ DJ SaladSpinner 8 PM @ Smokestack

Johnny Trash 8 PM @ Yardarm

Massev Road 8 PM @ Locals Bar (Epworth, IA)

Hearthfire Duo 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Jackson County Pro Rodeo: Whiskey River Band 8 PM @ Jackson County Pro Rodeo (Bellevue, IA)

SUN 6/18

Ace Jones Noon @ Tony Roma's

Mark Zalaznik Noon @ Millennium Bar &

Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Hearthfire Duo Noon @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Ozzy & Bon JoeB 1 PM @ Yardarm

Stonewolf Trio 1 PM @ Potosi Brewery (Potosi, WI)

Tony Walker 2 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)

Johnnie Walker 3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Lojo Russo 3 PM @ Tabor Home Winerv (Baldwin, IA)

Terry Mccauley 4 PM @ Park Farm Winery (Bankston, IA)

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

Danny Parker Project 5 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern (Hazel Green, WI)

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

Steve McIntyre 7 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

MON 6/19 Divine Sweater, Rianna Marie 7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Wilderado, Hembree 8 PM @ Codfish Hollow Barnstormers (Maguoketa, IA)

TUE 6/20 Pride in the Park

Driftmore DJs @ 3 PM Kampfires @ 3:30 PM Darren Shireman @ 4 PM Drag Queen Bingo @ 4:30 PM Sarah Day @ 5:30 PM Drag Queen Show @ 6:30 PM Platteville City Park (Platteville, WI)

Jimmy Welty Band 6 PM @ Tony Roma's

WED 6/21

Make Music Platteville 11 AM @ Platteville, WI

Bike Night: Cal Coohey 6 PM @ Jimmy's Pub (East DBQ, IL)

Kristina Marie Castañeda & Shawn Healy 6 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Daniel Eric 7 PM @ First Reserve

THU 6/22

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

Mick Mason 5:30 PM @ Lina's Lounge

Denny Troy 6 PM @ Houlihan's

The Mixed Emotions Band 6 PM @ Tony Roma's

The Driftless Rambler 6 PM @ Yardarm

Music in the Park: Gary Beal Band 6 PM @ City Park (Platteville, WI)

Shannon Woulfe 6 PM @ Textile Brewing Company (Dyersville, IA)

DR Duo 6 PM @ Belmont Mound (Belmont, WI)

Kenny Wayne Shepherd 7 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Nathan K. 7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

JE Sunde, Ben Dunegan 7 PM @ The Lift

Jef Spradley 7 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Charlie Parr 8 PM @ Codfish Hollow Barnstormers (Maguoketa, IA)

FRI **6/23**

Joseph John Valenti 5 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

Rianna Marie 5 PM @ Potosi Brewery (Potosi, WI)



NIGHTLIFE

Keith Scott 5 PM @ River Ridge Brewing (Bellevue, IA)

Joie Wails 6 PM @ Days Inn Spirits Bar & Grill

Party on Purpose III: 11 the Band, DR Band 6 PM @ Dubuque County Fairgrounds Grand Ballroom

Jacquie Miller 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Lexi Healey 6:30 PM @ Lacoma Golf (East DBQ, IL)

King Explosion 2023: Elvis Tribute 7 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino Mississippi Moon Bar

Eric Weimerskirch & Kurt 7 PM @ Midtown Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Tony Walker 7 PM @ Locals Bar (Epworth, IA)

Trivia 7 PM @ Gehlen Barn Beer in the Barn Brewery (St. Donatus, IA) Tallgrass Chamber Music Festival: Juliani Ensemble 7 PM @ Tallgrass Chamber Music Festival (Potosi, WI)

Brion Bowman 7 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)

Al Holiday, Dick Hubert, Jacklen Ro 8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

3 Doors Down, Candlebox 8 PM @ Q Casino Back Waters Stage

Ten Gallon Hat 8 PM @ Yardarm

Andreas Transo 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Kampfire Kings 8 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Brushfire Bandits 9 PM @ Lock 12 (Bellevue, IA)

The Lavender Project, Sugar Lads 10 PM @ The Lift Deal Breakers 10:30 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

SAT 6/24 Dubuque Farmers' Market: Second Wind, James Gregory 7 AM @ 11th-13th& Iowa St

Shannon Woulfe 10 AM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

Corkless in Galena Jordan Danielsen & Jef Spradley @ Noon Dylan Doyle Band @ 3 PM Depot Park (Galena, IL)

Bruce Kort @ Noon Keith Scott @ 5 PM Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

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

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

Kevin Moore 2 PM @ Off Shore Resort Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA) Joie Wails 2 PM @ Highway 20 Brewing Co (Elizabeth, IL)

Kara Gordon 3 PM @ Millennium Bar & Marina (East Dubuque, IL)

King Explosion 2023: Elvis Tribute 4 & 7 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino Mississippi Moon Bar

Patio Party: Obeygrey, Skeemuth, YoKE, Tngl, Javie Air, Echoras, Thysbe b2b Staring Contest 4 PM @ Esther's Lounge

Tony Walker 4 PM @ Son Chasers (Cassville, WI)

Joseph John Valenti 5 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

Steve Davis 5:30 PM @ Champagne on Main (Galena, IL)

Steve & Randy 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery Worthington Music In The Park: Jimmy Welty Band 6 PM @ Veterans Square Park (Worthington, IA)

Adam Bartels Band 7 PM @ Days Inn Spirits Bar & Grill

Midwest Megan 7 PM @ Midtown Marina (East Dubuque, IL)

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

Steve Kalmes 7 PM @ Gehlen Barn Beer in the Barn Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

The Mixed Emotions Band 7 PM @ Twisted Vines (Potosi, WI)

Renegade 7 PM @ Whitetail Bluff Camp & Resort (Cassville, WI)

Kadeem Fuller & Friends 8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

Shenanigans Veterans Freedom Center Benefit and Ride: RatchetJaw 8 PM @ Eichman's Bar Johnny Delaware, Elijah Below 8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

UltraBeat 8 PM @ Q Casino Q Showroom

Summer Son 8 PM @ Yardarm

Andreas Transo 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Mojo Busted 8 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Dylan Doyle Band 9 PM @ The Lift



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Ongoing & Recurring Nightlife

SUNDAY

Disco Brunch 9 AM @ Convivium Urban Farmstead 2nd Sun, Oct event on 10/15

Open Mic w/ Scott Rische 1 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Bingo 4 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Open Mic & Sketch Group w/ Addison Aronson 4 PM @ Smokestack fst Sun

MONDAY

Trivia w/ Fun N Games Company 6:30 PM @ Textile Brewing Company (Dyersville, IA) *pt & 3rd Mon*

Taproom Trivia w/ Fun N Games Company 6:30 PM @ The Corner Taproom (Cascade, IA) 2nd Mon

TUESDAY

Dance Dance Party Party 5:30 PM @ Smokestack 2nd Tue

Tuesday Night Record Club w/ DJ Jon Purvis and DJ Nick Riedman 7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Trivia w/Triviawithbrett 7 PM @ Hotel Julien Dubuque Riverboat Lounge

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

Trivia w/ Fun N Games Company 7:30 PM @ Backpocket Dubugue

WEDNESDAY

Trivia w/Triviawithbrett 6 PM @ Hy-Vee Locust Bike Night 6 PM @ Jimmy's Pub (East Dubuque, IL) Through Aug

HitMix Music Bingo 7 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co

Trivia For Dorks 7 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co.

WORDS: Poetry Hip-Hop Open Mic 7 PM @ Esther's Lounge

Open Mic 7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Trivia w/ Fun N Games Company 7 PM @ Lina's Lounge

The Mixologist DJ AA 7 PM @ The Other Side (East Dubuque, IL)

Rockstar Bingo 7 PM @ 7 Hills North (Platteville, WI)

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

Karaoke w/ Dante Steele Entertainment 9 PM @ Baraboo's on Main

THURSDAY

Trivia w/Triviawithbrett 6:30 PM @ Hy-Vee Dodge

Adagio w/ Nate 7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Family Game Night 7 PM @ 7 Hills West (Dyersville, IA)

Music Bingo w/ Think & Drink 8 PM @ Barrel House

Karaoke w/ Dante Steele Entertainment 8 PM @ The Dungeon *Every Other Thu:* 6/15, 6/29, 7/13

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FRIDAY

Karaoke

Open Mic w/ Chad Olson

8 PM @ Smokestack

9 PM @ Southend Tap

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon 7 PM @ Offside Sports Complex 2nd Fri

Karaoke & Live Music w/ Johnny C 7 PM @ Swiss Inn (East Dubuque, IL) 2nd Fri

Trivia Night 7 PM @ Maquoketa Brewing (Maquoketa, IA) I^{pt}Fri

Karaoke 7:30 PM @ Lock 12 (Bellevue, IA) *I*st & 3rd Fri through Dec June events on 6/2 & 6/24

Speedquizzing Trivia w/ GQ Entertainment 8 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co

Open Mic 8 PM @ The Comedy Bar

Open Mic Karaoke 8:30 PM @ The Big House (Petersburg, IA)

Karaoke w/ Dante Steele 9 PM @ Baraboo's on Main

SATURDAY

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon 7 PM @ R Place (East DBQ, IL) *P^t Sat July event on 7/8*

Karaoke w/ Dante Steele Entertainment 9 PM @ Baraboo's on Main

Karaoke & Live Music w/ Johnny C 9 PM @ Swiss Inn (East Dubuque, IL) *Last Sat*



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Upcoming Entertainment





Brad Upton

After 36 years in the standup business, the world is discovering comedian Brad Upton. Brad was teaching the fourth grade and coaching high school track in Pasco, WA when he first stepped on stage in 1984. He quickly decided that he wanted to do standup instead, so he quit teaching in June of 1986 and never looked back. He has since gone viral and become Dry Bar's most popular comedian with two of his comedy specials ("Will Be Funny for Money" and "I'm Not Done Yet!") and over 250 million views on social media.



Whitey Morgan & The 78's JULY 22 @ 8 PM

In a career spanning 15 years, Morgan has released five studio albums and a live recording from his hometown of Flint, MI. Rolling Stone has described Morgan as a "Waylon Jennings acolyte... modern day outlaw [with a] hard hitting blue-collar brand of music," while NPR Music hailed, "Staying close to the sound and subject matter of classic outlaw artists like Waylon Jennings, Merle Haggard and David Allan Coe, Morgan is poised to lead this handworn brand of country to the next generation."

King Explosion 2023: Elvis Tribute JUNE 23 @ 7 PM

JUNE 24 @ 4 & 7 PM King Explosion captures the greatest moments of Elvis's career highlighted by his introduction to the world in the 1950s, the 1968 television appearance that marked his return to live performances, and the concert years with his legendary jumpsuits. Starring Jonathan Lyons, Award-Winning Elvis Tribute Artist; Joseph Hall, Spirit of Elvis Award Winner; and King of the World Champion, Tim "E" Hendry. All backed by the Change of Habit Band and hosted by MC Ronny Craig.

Additional Entertainment

WRËKING CRÜE JULY 21 @ 8 PM

THE ULTIMATE DOORS: TRIBUTE **TO JIM MORRISON & THE DOORS** AUGUST 5 @ 8 PM

CROCE PLAYS CROCE PERFORMED BY A.J. CROCE SEPTEMBER 9 @ 8 PM



Diamond Jo Casino's Mississippi Moon Bar is located at 301 Bell St. in the Port of Dubuque. All shows are 21+. For tickets and more information about the upcoming entertainment, call Diamond Jo Casino at 563-690-4800 or visit MoonBarRocks.com.



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FRI 6/16 • 9 PM • FREE JASON KANE

SAT 6/17 • FREE GEORGE SHINGLETON • 7 PM ROSELOFT • 10 PM

THU 6/22 • 7 PM • FREE JE SUNDE, BEN DUNEGAN

FRI 6/23 • 10 PM • FREE THE LAVENDER PROJECT, SUGAR LADS

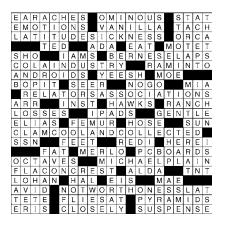
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MOUNT CARROLL, IL

Smash Mouth, Spin Doctors June 17 @ Rhythm Section Amphitheater

DAVENPORT, IA

Quad Cities Comedy Fest: DC Young Fly June 23 @ Adler Theatre

Larry Fleet June 24 @ Adler Theatre

Brett Young June 30 @ Rhythm City Casino

Deana Carter July 6 @ Rhythm City Casino

Collective Soul July 13 @ Rhythm City Casino

John Lodge July 14 @ Adler Theatre

Trey Kennedy July 16 @ Adler Theatre

American Aquarium July 18 @ Raccoon Motel

Rory Scovel July 23 @ Raccoon Motel

MOLINE, IL Cody Johnson

Matchbox 20

EAST MOLINE, IL

Dylan Scott June 16 @ The Rust Belt

In this Moment, Motionless in White, Fit for a King, From Ashes to New July 17 @ The Rust Belt

Powerman 5000 July 22 @ The Rust Belt

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA

Rival Sons June 13 @ Alliant **Energy Powerhouse** Avett Brothers, Gov't Mule June 22 @ Alliant **Energy Powerhouse**

Billy Currington June 23 @ McGrath Amphitheatre

The Revivalists & The Head And The Heart July 3 @ McGrath Amphitheatre

Falling in Reverse July 8 @ Alliant Energy Powerhouse

Dream Theater July 13 @ Alliant Energy Powerhouse

Little Feat July 18 @ McGrath Amphitheatre

A Flock of Seagulls July 19 @ McGrath Amphitheatre

Granger Smith, Earl Dibbles Jr. July 21 @ McGrath Amphitheatre

IOWA CITY, IA Mat Kearney, Marc Scibilia June 27 @ The Englert Theatre

Booker T. Jones July 9 @ The Englert Theatre

Béla Fleck July 11 @ The Englert Theatre

RIVERSIDE, IA Nick Swardson June 17 @ Riverside Casino

MADISON, WI Tyler Hubbard, Maddie & Tae, Drake White June 9 @ Breese Stevens Field

Cosmic Gate June 9 @ Liquid

The Bad Plus, Marc Ribot June 11 @ High Noon Saloon

Elliot Page June 12 @ Barrymore Theatre

Martha Wainwright June 13 @ High Noon Saloon

Weezer, Modest Mouse, Momma June 14 @ Breese Stevens Field Joe Dombrowski June 15 @ Comedy on State

Joe Dombrowski June 16 @ Comedy on State

Hairitage June 16 @ Liquid

Joe Dombrowski June 17 @ Comedy on State

The Doobie Brothers June 21 @ Breese Stevens Field

Monét X Change June 22 @ Comedy on State

Monét X Change June 23 @ Comedy on State

Colin lost June 23 @ The Orpheum

Monét X Change June 24 @ Comedy on State

The Struts, Mac Saturn June 24 @ The Sylvee

Nita Strauss, Lions at the Gate, Sarah Longfield June 25 @ The Sylvee

Milky Chance, Talk June 26 @ The Sylvee

Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds, Garbage, Metric June 28 @ Breese Stevens Field

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy June 29 @ Barrymore Theatre

Ron Funches July 13 @ Comedy on State

Ron Funches July 14 @ Comedy on State

Hermitude July 14 @ Liquid

Ron Funches July 15 @ Comedy on State

Shinedown, Zero 9:36, Sleep Theory July 16 @ The Sylvee

Ramy Youssef July 21 @ Barrymore Theatre

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June 15 @ Vibrant Arena

June 17 @ Vibrant Arena



LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES

THU 6/8



Asher Cataldo, Bryce Reeg, Logan Wheat, and Laura Calhoun 6 PM @ GEHLEN BARN BEER IN THE BARN BREWERY (101 MAIN ST, ST. DONATUS, IA) COVER: FREE

Asher Cataldo is a singer-songwriter with a wide range of genres, raised in middle Tennessee. Bryce Reeg is an Americana singer-songwriter with a background in folk, blues, country, buegrass, and classic rock, joining the Tennessee music scene in 2017. Logan Wheat is joining the group from Tennessee to add his unique music and sounds. Laura Calhoun is a local artist with unmatched skills on the fiddle/violin.



An Evening of Words & Music: Mikkel Beckmen with support from Charlie Parr and Cary Morin Duo 7 PM @ FOX DEN MOTEL (920 MAIN ST) TICKETS: \$15

Long-time Minneapolis-based folk percussionist Mikkel Beckmen. who has collaborated with many musicians on stage and in the studio, including Charlie Parr, Mike Munson, and Jeff Ray, released a new book, Gifts of the Superior Hiking Trail. The book is a collection of reflections on his solo thru hike of the trail. It includes illustrations by graphic artist Siri Marie and an illustrated postcard of Charlie Parr's song "817 Oakland Avenue," with a link to the song. Mikkel and Charlie Parr, whose book *Last of the Better* Days Ahead is now in its third printing, will be reading from their books and

playing some of the folk songs they have performed together over the past 25 years, as well as Charlie's original material. Native Americana roots and multi award winning touring artist Cary Morin Duo showcase a fingerstyle guitar technique that has been compared to that of Tommy Emmanuel and Doyle Bramhall II. Cary Morin Duo just recently performed for NPR Music's Mountain Stage with Larry Groce. This will be a unique listening room experience combining word and song. \$15. 920 Main St. **facebook.com/foxdenmotel**.

FRI 6/9



Filipino Food & Vintage Market Popup: Damn Juhl 5 PM @ SMOKESTACK (62 E 7THST) COVER: EREE

As a 15 year veteran in the DJ world, Damn Juhl is currently a resident DJ at Fieldhouse, Coa Cantina, and Elrays in lowa City. During that time, he's mastered a wide range of musical styles to cater to a diverse crowd. Ranging from pop and hip hop to obscure EDM, Juhl's ability to match the sound to the vibe of the room is unparalleled. Additionally, enter the GUCCI bag raffle at the door. \$25 per ticket, limit 2 per person, 50 tickets total. North Carolina's Kuya Bear Food by Dubuque native Joe Olson brings Filipino food to the kitchen. The menu includes tapsilog burrito, pork/ chicken BBQ skewers, lumpia, rangoon rolls, and halo halo. Pretty Dope Vintage specializes in wrestling, movies, pop culture, sports and band tees.



Music on Main: Retro Gold

JUNE 9, JULY 14, AND AUGUST 11 @ 5-9 PM TOWN CLOCK PLAZA (7TH & MAIN ST) Music on Main Street brings three concerts to Dubuque's Town Clock on Main St this summer. Enjoy free live music and food and cold beverages with Dubuque Main Street. The series begins on Friday, June 9 with Retro Gold. This is a live band that brings the party and a memorable experience to you and your friends. Their highenergy performances consist of hits from the '90s to present day. Future concerts include Tyler Richton & the High Bank Boys on July 14 and 10 of Soul on Aug. 11.

The concert series is free to attend. For more information, call Dubuque Main Street at **563-588-4400** or visit **DubuqueMainStreet.com**.



Kofi Baker's Psychedelic Trip SATURDAY, JUNE 17 @ 7 PM COUNCIL HILL STATION

(6521 N HILL RD, COUNCIL HILL, IL) Son of legendary drummer Ginger Baker, Kofi Baker is a name synonymous with drumming excellence. Without question, Kofi not only continues, but extends the family legacy, with outstanding skills, drive and dedication to his craft.

Kofi hand picked top session musicians to form a power trio celebrating the classic cuts from the '60s and '70s including the likes of Jimi Hendrix, Blind Faith, David Bowie, and Pink Floyd. See the Psychedlic Trip for yourself at Council Hill Station in Council Hill, IL on Saturday, June 17, at 7 p.m.

He has a unique approach to playing, and with his uncompromising daily practicing regime, it's no wonder he has forged his own long and distinguished career working with many other legendary musicians such as Eric Clapton, Steve Winwood, Roger Waters, Nile Rogers, Tom Jones, Jack Bruce, Steve Marriott, Uli Jon Roth, and many more.

Kofi's first live performance was with his father on the cult UK TV music show *The Old Grey Whistle Test*. At just six years of age, he proved he had inherited more than just his father's name.

During the 1990s, Kofi toured with Jack Bruce in Budapest, signed with Scotty Brothers Records, and recorded the album *Lost City*, cut *Abstract Logic* with Jonas Hellborg and Shawn Lane, and toured extensively—including more drum duets with Ginger Baker.

In 2015, Kofi joined The Extreme Guitar Tour with Uli Jon Roth (former Scorpions lead guitarist), with Vinny Appice (John Lennon, Rick Derringer, Black Sabbath, DIO, Black Sabbath) and Vinnie Moore (UFO).

Later that year, he attended the Cream reunion concerts at Madison Square Garden and following these historic shows, started to develop and evolve his Cream Experience band. Now, Kofi concentrates on his project, Kofi Baker's Cream Faith, celebrating classic cuts from Cream and Blind Faith, with other top session musicians.

On February 17, 2020, Eric Clapton invited Kofi to perform with him, his band, and very special guests at a tribute concert organized to celebrate the life, times, and music of Ginger Baker.

Limited RV parking and camping are available. To reserve your space or for more information, text **815-858-5276**.



The Gambler Returns

ROGERS TRIBUTE SHOW SATURDAY, JUNE 17 @ 7 PM OHNWARD FINE ARTS CENTER (1215 E PLATT ST, MAQUOKETA, IA) Honor the legacy of Kenny Rogers when The Gambler Returns to the Ohnward Fine Arts Center in Maquoketa, IA on Saturday, June 17, at 7 p.m.

Award-winning country artist Alan Turner recreates memorable magic in the ultimate Kenny Rogers tribute show. This full band stage production will take you on a musical journey through the career of American icon Kenny Rogers, who sold more than 120 million albums worldwide and racked up 24 number-one hits, including "The Gambler," "Lady," "Islands In The Stream," "Lucille," "She Believes In Me," and so many more. Kenny's command of the stage, heartfelt performances, gift for storytelling and distinctive voice are all on full display in this nostalgic concert.

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 **OhnwardFineArtsCenter.com.**



Party on Purpose III

FRIDAY, JUNE 23 @ 5 PM DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS GRAND BALLROOM (14569 OLD HIGHWAY RD)

Party On Purpose III brings great food and live music to the Dubuque County Fairgrounds Grand Ballroom on Friday, June 23 at 5 p.m. as a fundraiser for Almost Home at St John Lutheran Church Emergency Shelter. Doors open at 5 p.m., and music runs from 6 to 10 p.m.

At this year's annual event, enjoy music by 11 the Band and DR Band along with a silent auction, 50/50 raffles, and a cash bar. Almost Home's mission is to "put

people back on the path home by sheltering, serving, and supporting our neighbors in need with beds, clothing, and a connection to resources." Thousands of Dubuque residents benefit from the services provided by Almost Home and the Open Closet. This year will be special as the shelter expansion nears completion to house even more fathers with children—the only shelter in our region to offer this service!

The party is free though donations are welcome. For more information, call Almost Home at **563-583-6572** or visit **PartyOnPurpose.org**.

SAT 6/10



Run Forrest Run 8 PM @ Q CASINO Q SHOWROOM (1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD) COVER: FREE

Run Forrest Run is your answer to all things '90s! With the pop and R&B hits of today monopolizing radio stations, it can sometimes be an effort to get back to "the good old days." We could only be talking about the '90s, a generation that we all love. "Run Forrest Run would like the '90s to bring you as much joy as it has brought us. We strive to put that joy to work, giving you the best '90s tribute in the Chicago area. Get ready to sing and dance all night long as we PARTY LIKE IT'S 1999!"



Donovan Gustofson 7 PM @ GARY DOLPHIN'S IRON BAR (333 E 10THST) COVER: EREE

Donovan has been a musician and music educator in the Quad Cities area for more than three decades. One of his highlights includes teaching music at Moline, IL's Black Hawk College for 20 years. He has performed with several of the QC's favorite bands such as Sin City Orchestra, The Mercury Brothers, Funktastic 5, 10 of Soul, and many other musical acts. Notably, he toured with Nashville recording artist Brad Morgan. He also lived in and performed music in Amsterdam for several years. His shows include acoustic guitar and/or the piano, along with vocals, covering a wide range of music styles from classic rock and blues to oldschool country, southern rock, jazz, and the '80s. He performs popular songs so audiences can sing along.

SUN **6/11**



Big John Hammer and the Rusty Nails 5 PM @ SANDY HOOK TAVERN (3868 BADGER RD, HAZEL GREEN, WI) COVER: FREE

Big John Hammer and the Rusty Nails have become one of the area's favorite groups. Playing everything from your favorite traditional and classic country hits to introducing you to some of the band's favorite hidden gems! If Americana and traditional country filled with with passion, energy, and fun is your thing, you're in business. The Hook is also featuring a steak feed that day, so double word score!

TUE 6/13



David Mehrl 5:30 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY (360 W 11TH ST) COVER: FREE Carnegie-Stout Public Library welcomes

David Mehrl for a performance of jazz standards. Mehrl is a solo jazz musician from Cascade, IA. He plays keyboard, sings, and accompanies himself with bass foot pedals to provide a full sound.

FRI 6/16



Jason Kane & The Jive 9 PM @ THE LIFT (180 MAIN ST, LOWER LEVEL) COVER: FREE

In the spring of 2015, Jason Kane & The Jive released their first EP and proceeded to tear up the Texas rock scene. Over the course of the next two

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years, The Jive had the honor to share the stage with many iconic acts, such as Ace Frehley, Moxy, Y&T, Dokken, Uli Jon Roth, and The Winery Dogs. In 2017, they released their self-titled debut album. Combining vintage sounds with modern elements, tracks such as "Courthouse Blues," "Crystal Ball," and "How I Do" breathed new life into San Antonio's underground rock n' roll legion. In September of that year, they joined forces with drummer Thomas Chapoy, completing their power trio.

SAT 6/17



Hunter Fuerste & His American Vintage Orchestra 6 PM @ TURNER HALL

(115 S BENCH ST, GALENA, IL) TICKETS: FREE, DONATIONS ACCEPTED Hunter Fuerste and his American Vintage Orchestra presents an authentic recreation of the big band era. What started as a picnic in the park is now celebrating a milestone their 15th Annual Galena Foundation Concert. galenafoundation.org.



Renegade Wildflower 8 PM @ Q CASINO Q SHOWROOM (1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD) COVER: FREE

A wildflower will grow anywherethrough concrete if it has to. It just won't be stopped. Renegade Wildflower brings a relentless assault to the stage, playing what they love: their own energetic brand of Southern rock. With roots from the heart of Texas and northern Illinois, the well that Renegade Wildflower draws from is filled with soaring harmonies and gritty, heartfelt guitar work inspired by acts such as Lynyrd Skynyrd, Waylon Jennings, and Stevie Ray Vaughan. Bringing a huge sound to the stage reminiscent of the 1970's live music experience, this is one show you will tell your friends about.

SUN 6/25



Jackson Browne Music Special: Pennyroyal, Dave Dati, James Riley 3 PM @ DARKBIRD TAPHOUSE (7305 THUNDER VALLEY DR, PEOSTA, IA) COVER: FREE

Pennyroyal will be performing all of your favorite Jackson Browne songs (and even a few surprises). Prepare to be blown away by their incredible renditions! The extraordinary Dave Dati will be joining Pennyroyal on acoustic guitar, weissenborn, and vocals. With his remarkable talent, they might even showcase a couple of Dave's original tunes, adding an extra layer of excitement to the event. James Riley, an incredible artist heavily influenced by Browne and other songwriters who have explored the intensity of young adulthood, will also be singing. He will be performing several of his heartfelt acoustic originals and will also join the other musicians for a few collaborative tunes, creating a unique musical experience you won't want to miss.

WED 6/28



Angela Meyer 7 PM @ FIRST RESERVE (210 W 1st ST) COVER: FREE

Angela Meyer calls the Quad Cities "home" and recently won Best New Artist of the Year from the Midwest Country Music Organization. Her live show explores many genres of music through acoustic covers as well as her own country/western originals. She has played professionally around the QC area for over 10 years and has traveled far beyond to play shows anywhere from New Mexico to New York. Along the way she's graced stages of all sizes including the National Finals Rodeo events in Las Vegas. For fans of Kacey Musgraves, Johnny Cash, The Eagles, Lizzo, and Bob Seger.



Tallgrass Chamber Music Festival

FRIDAYS: JUNE 23 AND 30 @ 7 PM SUNDAYS: JUNE 25 AND JULY 2 @ 4 PM TALLGRASS CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL GROUNDS (5535 ROCKVILLE RD, POTOSI, WI) The Tallgrass Chamber Music Festival brings its first summer season of outstanding performances and engaging music to the festival grounds and the renovated barn and concert hall in Potosi, WI. From June 23 through July 2, music enthusiasts can look forward to a two weekend-long festival featuring world-class musicians and a diverse repertoire of classical music.

The festival is organized and performed by the Juliani Ensemble and



3 Doors Down w/ Candlebox

Q CASINO BACK WATERS STAGE (1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD) 3 Doors Down celebrates the anniversary of *Away From The Sun* at Q Casino Back Waters Stage on Friday, June 23 at 8 p.m.

Candlebox joins as a special guest. Formed in 1996, Grammy Award nominated multi-platinum Mississippi rock band 3 Doors Down consistently captivates audiences worldwide. The quintet's has been in production since 2016. This year marks the first season of Tallgrass' summer season and the beginning of the expansion of Tallgrass Chamber Music Festival into a summer-long multidisciplinary arts festival The Juliani Ensemble, founded in 1999, is an adaptable ensemble composed of a core roster of musicians and visiting guest artists. The roster of internationally acclaimed artists will perform a range of classical music, from beloved masterpieces to popular works.

Nestled in the heart of the countryside, a rustic and charming barn has been transformed into a stunning concert hall. The festival's artists will lead talks about the concert programs designed to inspire and educate patrons in this intimate setting.

"We believe that music has the power to connect people and create meaningful experiences, and we're committed to providing a festival that does just that," said Executive Director Julian Graef.

With its exceptional lineup of musicians, diverse repertoire, and engaging educational events, the Tallgrass Chamber Music Festival promises to provide an unforgettable experience for music enthusiasts of all ages.

Tickets are \$50 for individuals and \$150 for a season pass. Use code "Dubuque365" to save 30% off your ticket! The festival's schedule and ticket information can be found at **TallgrassFestival.org**. ■

many accolades include selling more than 20 million albums globally, receiving a Grammy nomination, two American Music Awards, and five BMI Pop Awards for songwriting, including "Songwriter of the Year." Their debut, *The Better Life*, became certified seven-times RIAA platinum and was fueled by the success of juggernaut hit "Kryptonite" *Away From The Sun* has been certified five-times platinum. Also known for hits like "Here Without You" and "When I'm Gone."

Candlebox, '90s Seattle soundwielders, brings their own charttoppers like "Far Behind," You," and "Change" to the show.

Back Waters Stage is located behind Q Casino. The all-ages show is 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, but you can bring your own chair. On-site parking is free. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages and food will be available for purchase. Credit, debit, and cash are accepted.

Tickets start at \$54.99. Purchase tickets in person at Q Casino or online at **BackWatersStage.com**. ■

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Moski's BBQ

By Bryce Parks

Moski's BBQ in Cascade, IA has been on our hit list since it opened with a brickand-mortar location last August, but because it entailed a little road trip, it kept getting bumped down the list. And then during an event for Great Give Day in Washington Park last month, we had the chance to sample their wares from the food trailer, and... wow! THAT was a pulled pork sandwich. Piled high, well-smoked, and without a sauce, it was still crazy moist which is so often a problem with pulled pork. The \$12 lunch special with two sides-mac and cheese and baked beanswas a huge meal. Moski's knows how to play this game. It's time to hit the road.

So, on a Saturday afternoon, we did just that. If you take the second exit into Cascade, you'll literally drive right up to their building if you stay on that exit road, HWY 136. How convenient?

At first glance, this place looks like brand-new construction, but it's actually



BBQ SUNDAE

a significantly and wonderfully renovated space. An attractive aesthetic of black board-and-batten siding, brick and stone at the base, and copper accents carries inside with rustic lighting and tables made from the ends of industrial cable spools and oil barrels with a long counter where orders are placed. There's also a patio on the opposite side of a garage door for outdoor seating.



The restaurant is owned by a guy named Brice, so even if he spells it wrong, that's a good sign. But I might be biased. Mr. Morris has been a pit master for 15 years and owns the business with his wife, Shawna, who left a 22-year nursing career to start this passion project. Their kids, Shannon, Brock, and Beau, all play critical support roles in both the restaurant and the food trailer which is simultaneously busy traveling around Eastern Iowa.

On our first visit, we made a bit of a mistake because before 5 p.m., they only serve pulled pork, pulled chicken, and chopped brisket sandwiches. If we wanted ribs, sliced brisket, or smoked chicken legs, we had to come during dinner hours. Somehow we managed to survive on just the amazing sandwiches. Actually, they also serve a BBQ Sundae which is a pile of meat from the sandwich topped with two sides such as potato casserole and baked beans... just like a meat sundae should be. The chopped brisket was a lovely treat. The sandwiches with two sides or the sundaes range from \$12 to \$14.

There are a great variety of sides to choose from, and everyone was a winner. Let's run them down: BBQ beans, smoked mac n cheese, creamy baked potato casserole, spicy jalapeño sweet corn, traditional coleslaw, potato salad, a stellar honey-topped cornbread, and a banana pudding dessert option. You really can't make a bad choice.

As great as it was, you know we had to go back for the fancy cuts, and we did that a week later. That's because the hours are pretty limited—Moski's is open only three days a week: Thursday 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 11 a.m.-9 p.m. We went on a Thursday, so we only had a two-hour window to get those specialty meats. And hit them we did. We ordered the sampler which



PULLED CHICKEN SANDWICH

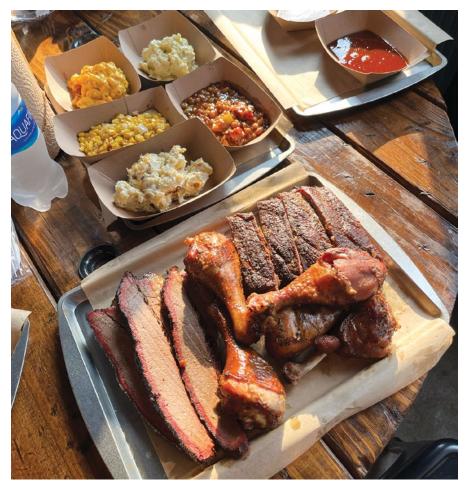
included 3 slices of brisket, 4 rib bones, 5 jumbo chicken legs, and our choice of 5 sides for \$60. It was worth every penny.

The ribs were a big winner. I wanted far more than my one rib allotment of the sample. So tender with a wonderful smoke ring and tasty, salty bark. Next time, I'm just getting ribs and more ribs. Not that the sliced brisket wasn't also absolutely fantastic. And the smoked chicken legs are enormous! Nuff said! You can also just order a dinner of one of the three meats with two sides; 3 chicken legs are \$13, 3 big rib bones are \$15, and 2 slices (and we mean SLICES) of brisket are \$17. All of the sides are \$3 each to keep it easy. So, if you want to add a couple extra to your dinner, no problem.

This is a classic Texas-style BBQ where you apply the sauce after it's done and only if you want it. The ribs definitely need nothing added. There are three sauces to choose from: classic, mustard-based, and spicy.

The food is FAST. This is because they designed the business to work buffet style, only it's the staff who has access to the row of goodness. So, you place your order at the counter, and they serve it up right in front of you on platters with little cardboard boats holding each of the sides. The featured meats are just laid out on the brown paper that lines the tray. It's a simple and attractive approach. I assume the plan to make all of the possible sides immediately ready to serve is why there are no fries on the menu or anything that needs special prep. We don't miss them.

We didn't get to try any, but based on their Facebook pictures, they occasionally do specials like brisket chili, prime rib, smoked pork chops, smoked sausage, BBQ shrimp for Lent, and signature specialty sandwiches like the smoked bologna with pulled pork and



THE MEATY SAMPLER WITH FIVE SIDES

slaw. Maybe there needs to be a special Bat Signal they can create to let us know when something special is happening.

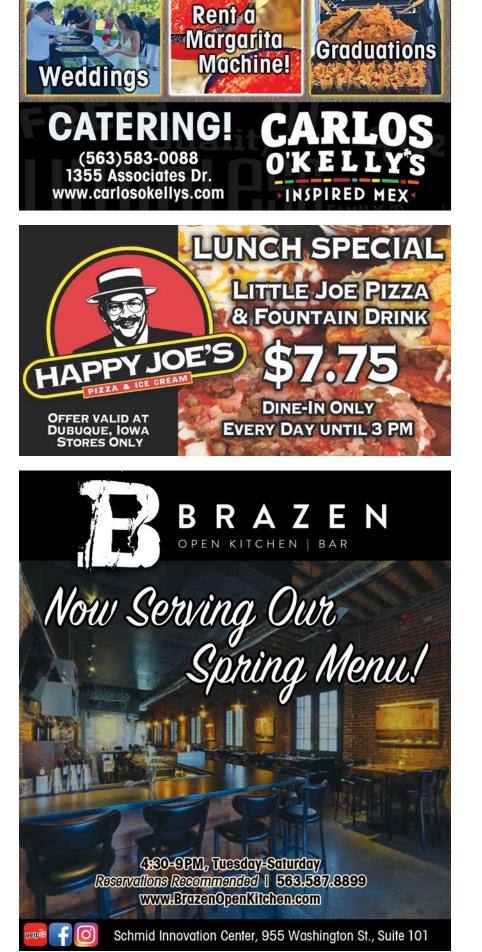
If there's anything to criticize about this essentially infallible BBQ joint is that it was sort of hard to share the food among the four of us with no plates. We had to divvy up the platters that the food came on so we each had something to eat on. It would be nice if they asked if we need extra trays, at least when ordering the sampler. Also, the sauce is in three big bottles at the end of the serving counter. so you have to choose and maybe apply your sauce before you sit. I asked for extra boats so I could put some shareable sauce in each to take to the table. It would be nice if we could have had our own set of BBQ sauce bottles to take to our table. But again, we prevailed in the end.

Like the convenience of the food setup, drinks, too, are served in cans or plastic bottles featuring a variety of Budweiserbranded tallboys and seltzers joined by canned Pepsi products, tea, or bottled water. It's set up for speed and convenience for both sides of the counter. But what they didn't rush was the smoke. I think I know BBQ pretty well. It reminds me of Downtown BBQ in Platteville, WI, and trust me when I say that is a massive compliment. This is truly fantastic BBQ, and it is worth the trip. I just suggest going for dinner so you can have those ribs! Or maybe just move to Cascade.



Moski's BBQ 329 1st AVE W, CASCADE, IA 319-431-7543 MOSKISBBQ.ORG Hours: Thu: 11 AM-7 PM; Fri-Sat: 11 AM-9 PM; Sun-Wed: Closed

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Coming Soon

TRANSFORMERS: RISE OF THE BEASTS (PG-13) FRIDAY, JUNE 9

Returning to the action and spectacle that have captured moviegoers around the world,

Transformers: Rise of the Beasts will take audiences on a '90s globetrotting adventure with the Autobots and introduce a whole new faction of Transformer, the Maximals, to the existing battle on earth between Autobots and Decepticons.

ELEMENTAL (PG)

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 Disney and Pixar's all-new, original feature film is set in Element City, where fire, water, land, and air residents live together. The story introduces

Ember, a tough, quick-witted, and fiery young woman, whose friendship with a fun, sappy, go-with-the-flow guy named Wade challenges her beliefs about the world they live in.

THE FLASH (PG-13)

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 Worlds collide when Barry uses his superpowers to travel back in time in order to change the events of the past. But when his attempt to save his family

inadvertently alters the future, Barry becomes trapped in a reality in which General Zod has returned, threatening annihilation, and there are no superheroes to turn to. That is unless Barry can coax a very different Batman out of retirement and rescue an imprisoned Kryptonian... albeit not the one he's looking for. Ultimately, to save the world that he is in and return to the future that he knows, Barry's only hope is to race for his life. But will making the ultimate sacrifice be enough to reset the universe?

ASTEROID CITY (PG-13) FRIDAY, JUNE 23

The itinerary of a Junior Stargazer/Space Cadet convention (organized to bring together

students and parents from across the country for fellowship and scholarly competition) is spectacularly disrupted by world-changing events. It's a Wes Anderson movie, so you know what that means visually.

Movie Buzz

The *Pirates of the Caribbean* film series ran from 2003 to 2017 and consists of a total of five films. While



each installment in the series has been a box office hit, a sixth film still hasn't become a reality, leaving viewers uncertain about the franchise's future. Walt Disney's President of Walt Disney Studios Motion Picture Production, Sean Bailey, recently said, "We think we have a really good, exciting story that honors the films that have come before but also has something new to say." He was noncommittal at the point of Johnny Depp's return. But, come on, how can you not, right? However, Depp did say he was retiring from his Jack Sparrow role, and Keira Knightley has also shown disinterest in returning.

Disney's live-action *Moana* found its director with *Hamilton* and *In The Heights*' Broadway director



Thomas Kail. *Hamilton*'s Lin-Manuel Miranda produced the movie's original songs. In April 2023, Cravalho and Johnson announced they would produce a new live-action adaptation, with the Maui actor confirmed to reprise his role. Kail directed both the off-Broadway and Broadway productions of Miranda's acclaimed musicals *In The Heights* and *Hamilton* and is set to direct a remake of the 1971 period musical *Fiddler on the Roof. Moana* screenwriter Jared Bush is confirmed to return to write the remake's story.

Hocus Pocus 3 is in the works at Disney. The original 1993 film followed the Sanderson sisters,



three witches who were reawakened centuries after being hung in Salem, MA. Despite the Sandersons perishing in the original movie, they were resurrected again in 2022's *Hocus Pocus 2*, a Disney+ exclusive. The sequel was a hit for the streaming service, leading to speculation over whether a third one would get greenlit, which Disney just confirmed. This is despite the ending of *Hocus Pocus 2*, which appeared to bring the Sandersons' story to a definitive close. Oh well, money talks! You know they're not making another without Midler, Parker, and Najimy.

How Do We Break a Fever?

By John McAndrew

Who would have hesitated to join an organization that fed the poor and opened orphanages and hospitals? A proudly Christian group that opposed drug abuse, condemned sexual promiscuity, donated Bibles to public schools, and supported the Salvation Army at Christmas. Some of its most prominent members were well-respected ministers and political and business leaders.

George Dale, the editor of the Muncie, IN newspaper, wrote 100 years ago, "Hundreds of citizens here, many of them men of high character, are joining the Ku Klux Klan."

Timothy Egan and a team of journalists won a Pulitzer Prize for a series of articles titled "How Race is Lived in America." His new book, *A Fever in the Heartland: The Ku Klux Klan's Plot to Take Over America, and the Woman Who Stopped Them*, benefits from that experience. Egan tells two stories in one: the story of a seed of violent hatred and the fertile ground in which it spread. It's a terrible story, hard to put aside—and long buried until Egan exhumed it.

Eventually, a third of the white men of Muncie would join the Klan. A quarter of all residents of Evansville, IN took the Klan oath. Quaker evangelist and prohibitionist Daisy Barr became the mother of the women's Klan and focused on spreading innuendo, rumor, and disinformation. Henry Ford, an avowed antisemite, included an owner's manual and an antisemitic pamphlet with the sale of every Model T. The Klan was everywhere on the rise—and respected.

From Encyclopedia Dubuque: "A pamphlet entitled '100 Percent American Songs' was distributed in 1920 by the Dubuque Kounty Klan Kuartette." [Kute, no?] There was also a Dubuque Ladies Klan Drill Team. "The only organization in the 1920s that openly disapproved of the Klan in Dubuque was the American Legion." At the time, the Legion members had served not just in World War I, but also in the Civil War.

"We're not against other people; we're just pro-white," said Klansmen who enjoyed positions of respect within their communities. Many obliged them by nodding with sympathetic understanding at such obvious nonsense.

The founder of the new KKK was one D.C. Stephenson. "Steve" to his friends, "The Old Man" to his followers. He was a wife beater and ne'er-do-well from Oklahoma. Compulsively lying and cocksure, he arrived in Indiana and seduced the right people until, after only 4 years, he saw a slate of his chosen candidates handily elected and declared himself to be the law. Almost no one objected.

How did he do it? He exploited the racism of the people, including some of the adult children and grandchildren of Union soldiers. With a dentist from Dallas, he gave a rebirth to the KKK 40-some years after President Ulysses S. Grant had broken them. (Hello Galena, and thanks!)

The first half of Egan's book is devoted to Stephenson's shocking success, the people who helped him and benefitted from associating with the Klan, and the tales of his blatant and contagious hypocrisy. The man who crusaded against booze was a falling-down drunk. The man who preached sexual moderation was a known rapist and wife beater. Ministers loaned their pulpits to him and then attended his bacchanals. The people closest to him knew these things and helped him to hide his crimes. He had a few heroic, yet

him to hide his crimes. He had a few heroic, yet ineffective, opponents. The second half of the book is the nail-biting story of efforts to bring Stephenson and his work to a just and ruinous end. There is grave doubt

TIMOTHY EGAN

A FEVER IN THE

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THE KU KLUX KLAN'S PLOT TO TAKE OVER AMERICA, AND THE WOMAN WHO STOPPED THEM

to a just and ruinous end. There is grave doubt throughout that even this last crime would result in his downfall. Readers will be shocked to learn who, finally, brings down the Klan itself, which seemed prepared to thrive even without its founder.

How do monsters and charlatans get elevated by men and women of otherwise high character? The desire to make fun of them and their cosplay-like titles—Exalted Cyclops, Grand Dragon, Kleagle, everything but Ku Klux Kucks conflicts with the awareness that these Kretins can be deadly to those they deem inferior.

What do we do about neighbors and relatives who follow absolutely heinous people? Like Germans with Nazi neighbors and relatives, cross burners are known to some of us. From Encyclopedia Dubuque again:

"When the city council in **May 1990** adopted a plan to attract 100 black families in hopes of adding diversity to the city of 58,000 people, a backlash of fear and intolerance erupted. Five crosses were burned around town between September and November." [emphasis added]

That's well within the memories of many Dubuquers. Some current residents know those who burned crosses here. The Southern Poverty Law Center lists the Nazi group National Alliance as still active throughout Iowa. You can see Confederate battle flags being flown without fear of reprisal or even of anyone identifying it as the flag of treason against the Union.

Egan's book is about America 100 years ago. But it's also about how the soil remains fertile for hatred. The objects of hatred keep changing or expanding to new groups.

What about white supremacists themselves? Are they evil? Misguided? Should we infantilize the eager members of the KKK, from the 1920s or 2020s? Forgive the poor dears, for they knew not what they were doing? How did Germany handle the guilt of those who enthusiastically joined the Nazis? Does freedom include the freedom to be Nazis, Klansmen, or Confederates? Can we set no higher standard for ourselves?

Additional books will add to the light Egan sheds on such questions. Trumbo's unfinished yet riveting novel, *Night of the Aurochs*, is the story of how local bullies and sadists come to power and behave as you'd expect.

Bernhard Schlink's novel, *The Reader*, is the tale of forming a close personal relationship with someone who once joined a group inspired by the KKK. She asks of those who would judge her, "What would *you* have done?"

The new memoir, *Fatherland*, by Burkhard Bilger, is the story of his grandfather, a Nazi official in a small town in occupied France. Can there be such a thing as a good Nazi—or a less bad Nazi?

Carnegie-Stout Public Library has an exhibit of the history of Civil Rights in Iowa. It will be available to view until June 15. It, and Egan's unsettling history, are both recommended. Carnegie-Stout PUBLIC LIBRARY Check out the possibilities!

KAREN LAND: IDITAROD PRESENTATION THURSDAY, JUNE 15 @ 10 AM

Meet writer and Iditarod Racer Karen Land and her Alaskan husky, Noggin! Karen will talk about her experiences racing in the Iditarod (the annual long-distance dog sled race run in early March, from Anchorage to Nome) and tell us all about her adventures as a musher.



For ages 5 and older. Registration is required, please sign up via the online calendar at carnegiestout.org.

TOM PEASE FAMILY CONCERT AT THE ARBORETUM

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 @ 10 AM DUBUQUE ARBORETUM & BOTANICAL GARDENS

Join us for a free program in the park at the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens! Musician, storyteller, and humorist Tom Pease will give everyone "a big musical hug" with a participatory musical concert.



For all ages. No registration required. Bring your own chairs or blankets.

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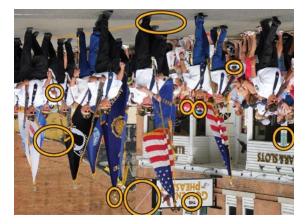
Spot the Difference

Can you spot 10 differences in this photo from the East Dubuque Memorial Day Parade by Casey Klein?





Spot the Difference Answers





Upcoming Family Events

TUE 6/13



Cartoons with

Tim Read 1-2 PM @ DBQ CO LIBRARY PEOSTA (PEOSTA, IA) Laugh out loud with author and illustrator Tim Read. In his "My Silly Monster" program, kids will help him illustrate silly monster cartoons and more. All ages. 563-582-0008. dubcolib.org/ events-programs.

WED 6/14

Babysitting Workshop 9 AM-3:30 PM @ HAZEL GREEN PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM (HAZEL GREEN, WI) The skills that will be covered in this workshop include first aid, safety, child development, responsibilities, and some fun activities to do while babysitting. Hosted by Grant County UW-Extension. Ages 10–14. RSVP required. Free. 1610 Fairplay St, Hazel Green, WI. 608-854-2952. hazelgreenpubliclibrary.org.

THU 6/15



Karen Land: Iditarod 10 AM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY An introduction to dog sledding with writer and Iditarod Racer, Karen Land, and her Alaskan husky, Noggin. Karen will talk about her experiences racing in the Iditarod (the annual long-distance dog sled race run in early March, from Anchorage to Nome), and tell us all about her adventures as a musher. Ages 5+. RSVP required. 360 W 11th St. 563-589-4225 x2228. CarnegieStout.org.

2023 Teen All Iowa Reads Book Club: Angeline Boulley Virtual Author Visit! 4 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY The purpose of All Iowa Reads is to create a sense of unity through reading. The 2023 All Iowa Reads selection for teens is *Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley. Read the title and attend the book discussion with the author. Age 12–18. 360 W 11th St. **563-589-4225 x2228. CarnegieStout.org.**

FRI 6/16



Musical Concert 10 AM @ DUBUQUE ARBORETUM Musician, storyteller, and humorist, Tom Pease, will be giving everyone "a big musical hug" with a participatory musical concert. This wildly popular performer celebrates a variety

of themes such as reading and books, the environment, family stories, and the peace and joy of movement, laughter, and song. Be prepared to enjoy Tom's brand of infectious fun! All ages. 3800 Arboretum Dr. 563-589-4225 x2228. CarnegieStout.org.

THU 6/29



Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka JR. Auditions 10 AM-NOON & 1-2 PM @ OHNWARD FINE ARTS CENTER (MAQUOKETA, IA) The delicious adventures of Willy Wonka's chocolate factory light up the stage in this captivating adaptation of Roald Dahl's fantastical tale. Featuring the enchanting songs from the 1971 film, in addition to a host of fun new songs, Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka JR. is a scrumdidilyumptious musical guaranteed to delight everyone's sweet tooth. Performances are Aug. 5-6. Ages 8-18. 1215 E Platt St, Maguoketa, IA. 563-652-9815. OhnwardFineArtsCenter.com.



HyVee



What's Kefir?

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

Kefir (pronounced kuh-FEAR) is a cultured dairy drink. Perhaps you've seen the colorful bottles of Lifeway Kefir in the dairy aisle at the grocery store and weren't quite sure what it is or how to incorporate it into your diet. Kefir has a tart and tangy taste—it tastes delicious on its own and can also be used in a variety of recipes.

Kefir goes through a long fermentation process, which produces probiotics and bioactive peptides. These substances are being touted in research for their anti-inflammatory, anti-hypertensive and even antioxidant properties—making kefir a great food to support immune, digestive, and cardiovascular health. Kefir also has other essential nutrients important for everyday health. One (8-ounce) serving of Lifeway Kefir contains 12 live and active cultures and is a good source of protein, vitamin B12, vitamin D and calcium.

What about the lactose? Many people who are lactose intolerant shy away from dairy products, missing out on the many important nutrients the dairy provides. Lifeway's unique fermentation process and specific kefir cultures ensure that Lifeway Kefir is up to 99 percent lactose-free and suitable for most people who are lactose intolerant—making it an attainable source of dairy nutrients and probiotics.

So how can you incorporate this probiotic powerhouse into your diet? Lifeway Kefir is easy to use in everyday recipes and adds a probiotic boost to any meal. Lifeway Kefir is a great replacement for milk or yogurt in smoothies and overnight oats, can be drizzled on top of oatmeal and soups, is easily added to cereal, can be used as a base for salad dressing, and is a healthy replacement for buttermilk in baked goods.

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Lighthouse People

By Matt Booth

Several years ago, I was invited to coach a group of 70 high schoolers throughout their senior year. I had monthly meetings with them, and we worked on goal setting and vision planning. Then they invited me to be their commencement speaker.

When I spoke at their graduation ceremony, I asked the audience, "Who here has their goals written down? Stand up if you do." Every student stood up, plus a few parents. Then I asked, "Who here has their goals on their person?" Nearly every student remained standing. All the parents sat down. Then I said, "Who has their goals on them and reviews them monthly?" Again, nearly all the students stayed standing.

Then I said, "You, too, can be one of the ones standing if you do these basic things every day." Those kids will be world changers because they understand the basic principles of making a difference in their corner of the world and writing down their goals. I used to tell people at speaking engagements, "Email me when you accomplish one of your goals." To this day, I still get emails from people, and it's incredible to hear of their success!

I love seeing people win, and what I want you to understand most is that you have value. You have the talents, tools, and abilities to get you through the "crapstorm." Stop wandering around out there and go for it. You're here to help our world by solving whatever problem fascinates you the most. Be the best at whatever you decide to do.

Your action is relevant and important. Walking 10,000 steps is just as important as winning Olympic gold. We may not ever face fighting in a world war, but we can walk around the block today. Or get enough sleep. Or eat a healthy diet. Or treat our family members well.

Let's be lighthouse kinds of people. Lighthouses give out light for people when they need it, and a lighthouse person shines their light into the darkness of the world. Shine your light, and when you find yourself in the darkness, others will shine for you.

"Pain will always be a part of life, suffering is up to you." —Matt Booth, #1 Amazon Best Seller Book, *Basically Incredible*

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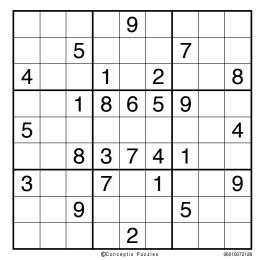




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By Dave Green



WHERE'S GENERAL BOB?

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



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I LOVE IT WHEN A DIETITIAN TELLS ME TO EAT CANDY.

Honey, I Miss You

By Pam Kress-Dunn

I had some tests the other day, really easy ones. I got to keep all my clothes on and listen to podcasts, and nobody poked me with a needle. All I had to do for the tech, every few minutes, was breathe in and out. The only hard part was eating a blander-than-bland diet the day before and nothing before the tests except a cup of something weird.

One hour into test #2, just when I was starting to fall asleep—which is forbidden, because your breathing is different in dreamland—I got the news. The good news was, "You get to stop early!" The bad news was, "You've already tested positive for fructose intolerance!" Oh no. Not what I expected.

I wanted an end to my symptoms, and now I knew what was causing them. Fructose! Raise your hand if you know what foods contain this kind of sugar. Pears? Yes. Peaches? Yes. Cherries? Yes. Apples, bananas, and tomatoes? Why, yes. Also a whole cornucopia of delicious vegetables like asparagus, artichokes, and onions. White sugar is fine; a registered dietitian encouraged me to keep drinking my shamefully sugar-sweetened London Fogs (Earl Grey, half-and-half, sugarsugarsugar) and to sprinkle sugar liberally over the berries I've been eating at breakfast for years. (Reminds me of the cardiologist who urged me to put extra salt on my popcorn, but that's a story for another time.)

Honey was especially bad. Honey in my tea and honey on my bread, drizzled over everything. What is the use of living? I really like honey. Every day, every single day even while traveling, I fix myself 16 ounces of apricot tea (allowed), apricot jam (allowed, the kind made with sugar), and a generous pour of honey (now a great big no-no). I also like to brew decaf tea in the evening, even in the height of summer, like decaf blackberry sage, as long as it's sweetened with honey. I tried it with sugar. Gross. (Sugar is equal parts glucose and fructose, apparently the magical ratio. Don't ask me to explain.)

Intolerance to fructose (pronounced FROOK-tose or FRUCK-tose, your choice) is not a disease. You will not die of it, although you may wish you could when the symptoms strike, especially when out in public. It can cause all sorts of gastric distress—pain, queasiness, bloating, gas, and other fun and games not mentionable in a G-rated paper. So once you or I get a diagnosis, we might be happy to know how to end it.

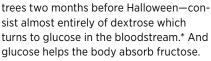
I've tried special diets before and found myself highly resistant. Tell me what not to eat, and I will crave just those things. (You could say I'm intolerant of special diets.) My month on the migraine elimination diet was unbearable because nearly everything tasty—citrus! chocolate! bread!—has been known to usher in migraines. Being off those things did not stop my neardaily headaches, while going back on them did not make them worse. Whew.

This fructose intolerance, though, is obviously related to what I eat, so I'm trying a little harder. The sample diet suggests a breakfast of oatmeal with chopped pecans and cinnamon, a hardboiled egg, two fresh (never dried) apricots, and milk. (I did not, thankfully, test positive for lactose intolerance, and I refuse to entertain the notion of being gluten sensitive.) The plan sounds fine, except that this meal alone is more than I eat for breakfast and lunch combined. At dinner, I'm allowed to eat roast beef, sweet potato with butter, green beans, a dinner roll (what is this, Thanksgiving?), and milk or water. Again, too much for me, although I'm also told I can have ice cream for dessert if it's made with real sugar. Sugar in the morning, sugar in the evening, sugar at suppertime.

We all know high fructose corn syrup is evil, even if we've forgotten why. I can have so-called Mexican soda like the Coca-Cola my son learned to love in Juarez, and sugarific Gatorade, which I only force down when completely dehydrated. But you won't find "fructose" on most nutrition labels although everything under the sun is labeled GLUTEN FREE, even cough drops. Don't tell anyone, but there is a container of pure gluten in my cupboard, from my pandemic baking phase.

There was more bad news. Wheat (GLUTEN) can interfere with the body's ability to process fructose. I might as well skip the bread aisle altogether, along with all the delicious dried fruit, juicy apples, fresh tomatoes, and red pasta sauce I'm supposed to banish from my larder.

There might be a way out. Both the G.I. nurse practitioner and the dietitian told me I could-get this-eat Smarties. After I cried, "Wait, what?" each of them laughed and said, "Yes, really." Smarties-those rolls of 15 (I counted) little sweet-tart candies we all thought only fell from the



So now, if you look into my purse, you will find not only a wallet, sunglasses, bandaids, my Covid shot card, six pens and pencils, and other Mom/Grandma stuff, you will find several rolls of Smarties. They are to be taken either just before eating something on the no-no list or popped into your mouth between bites of, say, an apple, hummus, spaghetti with red sauce, or a glass of honey, I mean tea with honey. Just kidding there! Really!

Any diet that prescribes candy is okay with me, especially if chewing a roll of Smarties means I don't have to break up with my honey.

[*Please note: I am not a doctor, nor do I play one on any streaming service. If you thought I was a doctor, that's adorable.]

PAM KRESS-DUNN

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DEAR ANGELA.

bottle. A yellow one, but lemon yellow NOT canary yellow, that fits in my hand AND my car's cup holders, that doesn't mold, and has a straw but I can still tip and drink out of like a cup, and that doesn't weigh a ton and that holds up if dropped and has a nice texture and all parts can go in the dishwasher. I don't think I'm being unreasonable but is that too much to ask? -Simple Request



Angela's Awesome Advice

DEAR ANGELA,

My wife and I are planning a summer vacation with several other families. We're planning to book a large house on a lake with lots of time for the kids to play in the water and plenty of relaxation for the adults. But we're having trouble in the planning process. We can't decide on a location, how long, who will get the master bedroom, or how we'll manage mealtimes. Do you have any ideas on how to navigate this? -Trying to Travel

DEAR TRYING,

Do. Not. Go. Take your family and run far away from this situation that can only end in frazzled friendships. Tell your friends that you found out you have a long-lost cousin who has invited you to their Cape Cod estate, and share your regrets that there isn't room for any additional guests, then go do what you want.

I'm thirsty, and I just want a water

DEAR SIMPLE,

Ah summer, the time when we dehydrated hags pretend to be water girlies in their big gulp era, carrying around ludicrously capacious water bottles with line marks, trying desperately to make choking down stale water filled from the tap hours ago "motivating." But you know deep in your heart that no matter what water bottle you convince yourself will be perfect, you'll abandon it the moment someone says, "Let's get coffee."

DEAR ANGELA,

I was out shopping this afternoon and someone recognized me. I say they recognized me because I could not place her. She knew me, asked about the kids and how the new job was going, and all I could muster was a "How's everyone?" and a "Things still good for you?" I have no idea if I fooled her or if she could see by the frightened look in my eye that I was talking to a stranger who knew me. What should I have done? -Drawing a Blank

DEAR DRAWING,

In this case, I can recommend a few options. First choice should always be the twin route. Simply state that you are actually "the twin," identical to be exact. Share that it happens all the time whenever you are back in town from Equatorial Guinea. Then excuse yourself quickly by saying you have to get some extra cash from your car because you keep forgetting about the exchange rate when you're back stateside. Another option is to claim short-term amnesia due to a concussion after falling off a boat. Or so you were told by the doctors in the memory unit you woke up in. Share that they don't need to worry because a man who says he is your husband has been wonderfully caring and patient as you have started to relearn how to cook and clean and care for your four boys. Then explain that you simply must go because you have a roast in the oven and dash out the nearest door.

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BECAUSE SPACE SAYS SO.. By Danny Fairchild, Friend to the Cosmos

SCORPIO

(NOV 23-NOV 29)

metaphorical NBA point guard. Ha. ha. No.

OPHIUCHUS

Now's the time! Your children will grow up

able to say all the things you could never say

to your parents. Like "I love you." Or "There's

SAGITTARIUS

always willing to act despite your fears, whether

it's starting a new career, or just getting out of bed.

Ha, ha. No, not really. That'd be nice though, right?

CAPRICORN

(JAN 9-FEB 15)

bring some excitement into your relationship.

But that means being open to what excites

(DEC 18-JAN 8)

no longer a place for you in my life."

(NOV 30-DEC 17)

not really. That'd be nice though, right?

Finally... FINALLY ... you will feel as comfortable in your own shoes as a

Thinking about having children?

You will finally live a courageous life,

It may SEEM like a good idea to

ARIES (APR 19-MAY 13) Stubborn Aries, let go of the things you feel entitled to. Instead, open vour arms to the universe's wonders like a ray of sun between parting clouds or a bonus curly fry in your bag of chicken nuggies.

TAURUS

(MAY 14-1UNE 19)

You know how when you hug someone, sometimes their body fits perfectly against yours and it feels safe and warm for that brief moment? Whenever the one you're pining over experiences that... they think of you instead. Ha, ha. No, not really. That'd be nice though, right?



GEMINI (JUNE 20-JULY 20)

Remember back in the day when things were just easier? Yeah? That's because you were younger with fewer responsibilities, you fool. Of course things were easier! If things seem too complicated these days, it's YOUR fault you failed to keep up. Stop sucking so much and do the work because we're all sick of your crap!



(JULY 21-AUG 9)

They've written over a hundred unsent love letters to you. And, though you think they would, they've yet to repeat even a single sweet sentiment. The prose is so... so beautiful. And it was inspired by you. Ha, ha. No, not really. That'd be nice though, right?



(AUG 10-SEP 15)

If you're thinking of doing what the stars think you're thinking of doing, well... legally I can't condone such a thing. Off the record, though? (chanting) DO IT! DO IT! DO IT!





Finally, someone has seen their future, and their future is in growing WITH you, not growing AGAINST you. Ha, ha. No, not really. That'd be nice though, right?



Huh? Oh. Umm. Yeah, the stars said something about how things will go for you over the next few weeks. Something about... I don't know. Some damn thing. Must not be that bad or I would have remembered.

them as well. And you're not ready to have that fight. Mmm, that freaky, sexy fight. **AQUARIUS** (FEB 16-MAR 11)

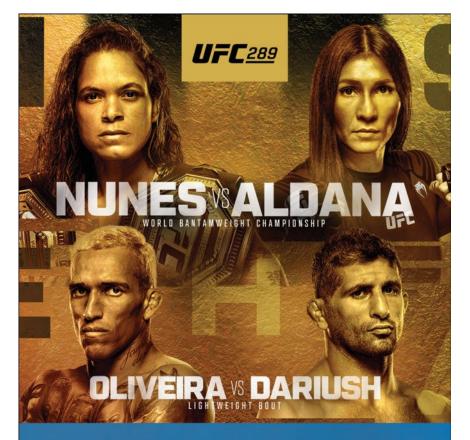
With Mercury flirting with Gemini, the next few weeks will work out for your greatest good. You will make it look easy as you navigate the world. Because it WILL be easy for you. People will want to be you. People will want you in their life. All while respecting your privacy and autonomy. Ha, ha. No, not really. That'd be nice though, right?



The next few weeks will be a spiritual journey for you! But just because you realize that literally all your sins are known and record-kept, it doesn't mean you should worship your browser history.

DANNY FAIRCHILD

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