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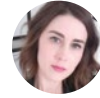
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I do try to steer clear of politics in my column these days. If you're a regular, you'll note that it's been quite a while since I went on a rant. But seeing two big heartbreaking news stories about Iowa students last week, I felt like I wanted to make sure people weren't missing what's happening. And then, I saw this piece by an Iowa teacher, Patrick J. Kearney. He nailed it. How does a level-headed person see what's happening and say, "Yeah, that's fine." I don't think they do. How can we possibly benefit by not feeding hungry poor kids and not caring for the education of rural special needs children? I guess the governor is hoping if these things doesn't affect Iowans personally, we don't care. But I do. I think "we" do. Thank you, Patrick, for allowing me to reprint your words.

Dear Governor Reynolds,

What would a Friday before a big holiday in Iowa be without your office putting out news releases that you hope Iowans will ignore? This year you decided to share the news that Iowa would not be applying for a federal program that would bring in \$29 million to feed approximately 240,000 children this summer. Some would call you cowardly for releasing this information late on a Friday before a holiday, but it's kind of courageous right? You've let those kids and their families know before Christmas that it isn't worth Iowa's time to apply for resources to feed them. In your announcement you seem to imply the federal program didn't do enough to fight childhood obesity. I find your premise that you prefer hungry young people to obese young people intriguing. Of course it's on brand for you.

I spent a good part of 2023 trying to articulate my thoughts on what you're doing to public education in Iowa and I struggled. The amount of bad education legislation that you have signed is notable. It was particularly noteworthy as I sat through teacher inservice this fall and watched really smart people to try to make heads or tails out of the badly written laws that you and your legislative allies enacted. The legislation included vague language and no guidance from the Department of Education. None of Senate File 496 makes Iowa's schools better.

I actually feel guilty that I wasn't more outspoken when you signed this legislation. At some level I was just tired. Tired of watching uninformed people call teachers "groomers". Tired of the idea that teachers have a "sinister agenda". But, as tired as we teachers are, the young people of Iowa deserve to know that teachers have their backs. Iowans deserve to know that teachers want to work with parents to support their children. The narrative that teachers want anything other than what is best for kids is insidious. I would trust

Iowa's young people with my colleagues any day over you and your legislative allies.

All of this is happening as you plan to "reassess" the work that Iowa's Area Education Agencies do. While you are trying to tell Iowans that you simply want to study AEAs, you'll forgive me if I don't trust you. Your record of assaulting public education suggests that any chance you get to steer resources away from students who need it the most is more than enough to make all Iowans leery of your intentions. Iowa's AEAs do important work for young people who need it the most. Much of their work happens in small rural districts where parents struggle to have access to the resources necessary to support their children. Iowa's schools could not survive without the work of the AEAs.

The crisis coming to Iowa's public schools is very real. The shortage of teachers is real. Even large "destination" districts can't fill their teaching positions. As you continue to write badly thought out legislation that does real damage to Iowa's schools (OK, I get that the legislation is written by lobbyists from out of state, but you get what I mean), more and more teachers are leaving the profession. As a veteran educator (and by veteran, I mean old), it is difficult to watch smart young people leaving teaching. My parents moved to Iowa in 1972 because of Iowa's commitment to public education. I am certain that they would not make that decision today. I've said this before, but as you make teaching in Iowa less attractive and actively attack my profession, where is the army of better qualified people willing to do this work? If you can point us to where there are people better equipped to teach in Iowa, please do it quickly. There's work to be done and you're spending your days attacking those of us willing to do it.

On a brighter note, I see that many of your staff got massive raises this year. Your office says these raises were an "important investment" in Iowa. Could I suggest that feeding hungry kids might be an important investment? Might I suggest that making sure our young people with special needs have access to critical services is an important investment. Would it be bold to suggest that making sure Iowa can attract smart young people into the teaching profession would be an important investment.

It is said that how we spend our money reflects our priorities. What do you think it says that the staff in the governor's office is getting massive salary increases while you refuse to accept money to feed hungry kids?

Iowans spoke loudly this November when voters all over the state rejected candidates who align with your views on education. Iowans made it clear that they don't want more of your agenda to permeate our public schools. Please listen to them.

Sincerely,
Patrick J. Kearney
Iowa Middle School Band Director ■

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your chance to witness the record-breaking stars of basketball live as they bring an unforgettable blend of dribbling, spinning, and dunking to the court, taking on their fierce rivals, the Washington Generals.

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Ice Fest

JANUARY 13 AND 14 @ 10 AM-4 PM
NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER
MUSEUM & AQUARIUM (350 E 3RD ST)

The National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium is hosting the 20th annual Ice Fest Celebration on Saturday, Jan. 13 and Sunday, Jan. 14 at 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Both days feature indoor and outdoor activities for guests to enjoy, as well as exploration of the River Museum's exhibits and animals.

A weekend full of activities is scheduled for guests of all ages. Visitors will have the opportunity to try snowshoeing, sledding, observe ice harvesting, watch blacksmith demonstrations, and

learn from the Dubuque Fire Department as they conduct an open water rescue. Outdoor activities also include a figure skating performance and ice fishing. Indoor crafts and cardboard caves will be set up for kids to enjoy. Hot chocolate and s'mores kits are available for purchase. Gluten-free s'mores options will be available as well. For guests 21 years and older, warm adult beverages will be for sale along with wine tastings hosted by Stone Cliff Winery on Saturday and Tabor Home on Sunday. On Sunday, Jan. 14, the shark touch tank will be available for visitors to enjoy.

All activities are included with general daily and member admission. Food and drinks are available at additional cost. Admission tickets to the River Museum can be used for the next consecutive day, ensuring visitors experience all events happening throughout the weekend.

Guests are reminded to dress for indoor and outdoor activities, and youth are encouraged to wear snow gear due to the number of snow-related outdoor activities.

For the full schedule and more information, contact the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium at **563-557-9545** or visit **RiverMuseum.org**. ■

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FACES&VOICES CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS

Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration

MONDAY, JANUARY 15 @ 7 AM
GRAND RIVER CENTER (500 BELL ST)

Join faces&voices for this annual celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, Jan. 15 at the Grand River Center. Breakfast is served at 7 a.m. and is followed by a celebration at 7:30 a.m.

Keynote speaker Dr. Ruth Haley Barton presents "Leading with Strength of Soul." ■

Barton is the founder of the Transforming Center, a ministry dedicated to strengthening the souls of pastors and Christian leaders and the congregations and organizations they serve. A seasoned spiritual director (Shalem Institute), Ruth holds a doctor of divinity from Northern Seminary along with her studies at the Loyola University Chicago Institute for Pastoral Studies. She is a sought-after speaker and preacher, having served on the pastoral staffs of several churches and also teaching frequently at the graduate level.

Ruth's books include *Strengthening the Soul of Your Leadership*, *Life Together in Christ*, *Sacred Rhythms*, *Pursuing God's Will Together*, *Invitation to Retreat*, and *Invitation to Solitude and Silence*. She shares perspectives on transforming leadership through her *Beyond Words* blog and her *Strengthening the Soul of Your Leadership* podcast.

RSVP by Monday, Jan. 8. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for ages 12 and younger, and \$250 for a 10-person table. All registrations after Jan. 8 are \$300 per table or \$30 per individual (adult and youth). Payment by cash or check may also be made at the door the morning of the event.

To register and for more information, visit **dbqschools.org/facesandvoices**. ■

SUN 1/7

**Thrifty Affair**

10 AM-2 PM @ DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Jodi & KT Invite You to find a "good deal" at the Thrifty Affair garage sale. \$1. 14569 Old Highway Rd. [facebook.com/JodiandKT](https://www.facebook.com/JodiandKT).

THU 1/11

**Farm Succession and Planning**

5-8 PM @ O SO GOOD

WINERY (DYERSVILLE, IA)

Guest speaker, Steve Bohr, has more than 30 years of experience with farm estates and financial services. He will be presenting "The Perfect Storm in Farm Transition." Recently showcased on Iowa Farmer Today, Steve has a vast background in financial strategies. He is the founder of Farm Financial Strategies Inc. (FFS) in Cedar Rapids, Iowa—a program providing plans to "preserve the family farm." Participants can enjoy wine from O So Good Winery while learning about farm transition and planning for future generations. There will also be a small, casual trivia game throughout the evening with prizes. Hosted by the Jones & Delaware Counties Women, Land and Legacy chapter (WLL). WLL is a locally led, statewide program that provides networking and educational events for women in communities. RSVP. Free. 2093 20th Ave SE, Dyersville, IA. delawarejoneswll@gmail.com.

**Movie Screening: Barbie**

6 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY

AIGLER AUDITORIUM

Directed by Greta Gerwig and starring Margot Robbie and Ryan Gosling, Barbie (2023) is a live-action fantasy comedy which follows fashion dolls Barbie and Ken on a journey of self-discovery. The 1 hour 54 minute film is rated PG-13 for "suggestive references and brief language." Closed captioning or subtitles will be turned on. Free. 360 W 11th St. **563-589-4225**. [carnegioustout.org](https://www.carnegioustout.org).

FRI 1/12

**27th Annual Dubuque Citizen's Police Academy Deadline**

5 PM @ DUBUQUE

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The 10 sessions are held on Thursdays from Feb. 1-April 4, from 6-9:30 p.m. The purpose of the program is to build a better understanding between residents and police through education. The CPA does not certify participants as law enforcement officers. All sessions are taught by law enforcement professionals from the Dubuque Police Department or other members of the local criminal justice system. Participants will learn about topics including arrest procedures, search and seizure, use of force, police procedures, drug enforcement, and officer safety. 770 Iowa St. **563-587-3807**. [cityofdubuque.org/CPA](https://www.cityofdubuque.org/CPA).

**Ghostlight Improv**

8:30 PM @ SMOKESTACK

Join Rising Star Theatre Company's adult improv group for a night of hilarious, made up right on the spot fun. \$5. 62 E 7th St. [smokestackdbq.com](https://www.smokestackdbq.com).

SAT 1/13

**Triple D Winter Endurance Race**

9 AM @ 7 HILLS BREWING

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(DURANGO, IA)

The first thing you need to know about the race—it is a bit of a circus... but that is by design. As you traverse the scenic route by bike or by foot, you'll receive little support. Whether you're juggling water bottles as you skate down Heritage Trail, or balancing a tight-rope as you cross a thin bridge on the bike route, there is something for outdoor enthusiasts of all ability levels. Biking races include 17-, 35-, and 70- mile races. Running races include 5k, half and full marathons, and a 50k ultra marathon. Prizes awarded for top male and female in each race. \$40-\$80. **563-663-8430**. [tripledrace.com](https://www.tripledrace.com).

The Stained Glass Windows of the Shalom Chapel

10-11 AM @ SHALOM

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Awards: Tuesday, March 5 @ 7 PM
Diamond Jo Casino
Mississippi Moon Bar (301 Bell St)

The 15th Annual 365 Impact Awards, sponsored by the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque and Premier Bank, return on Tuesday, March 5 at 7 p.m. to the Mississippi Moon Bar at the Diamond Jo Casino to recognize those who are making an impact on our community. The event is free to attend with heavy hors' d'oeuvres. You must be 21 or older to attend.

But first, we need your help. Do you know a person, an organization, or a business who did something particularly special in 2023 and deserves a shout-out for



their efforts? Maybe it's someone who's been knocking it out of the park year in and year out and deserves a nod just for keeping the bar set high all of these years. Nominate them now for a 2024 365ink Impact Award! It doesn't matter the category. Think art and music. Think community pride and inclusion. Think great spaces and generous spirits. These are the people we want to know about.

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SAT 1/13



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10 AM-12:30 PM @ SWISS VALLEY NATURE CENTER (PEOSTA, IA)
The focus of the series will be on our connection with nature through guided yoga meditation, guided hike, reflection, and ending with lunch and conversation with new friends. With this thoughtful day, be ready to meet new women and create new connections. No prior experience is needed. Instructors will lead you through all parts of the day. Please dress appropriately for the weather. RSVP required. \$5. 13606 Swiss Valley Rd, Peosta, IA. facebook.com/dubuquecountyconservation.

SUN 1/14



Midwest Bedrock: A Photo-Journey of Hidden Nature Treasures

NOON-2 PM @ EB LYONS INTERPRETIVE CENTER
Local author Kevin Koch will take you on a photo-journey among hidden outdoor treasures in all 12 Midwest states, tracing the path he and his wife travelled en route to his upcoming book, *Midwest Bedrock: The Search for Nature's Soul in America's Heartland*. The journey includes Wisconsin's 1,100-mile Ice Age Trail that follows the farthest reach of the last glacier; Minnesota's Lake Itasca, headwaters of the Mississippi River; north-east Iowa's sacred Effigy Mounds National Monument;

the little-known beauty of Nebraska's Niobrara River; and Indiana's Hoosier National Forest, which still cradles hidden graveyards from long-abandoned farm communities. He will share a few short excerpts as well. Kevin Koch is a Professor of English at Loras College, where he teaches creative nonfiction writing and a variety of nature-based courses. His previous books include *Skiing at Midnight*, *The Driftless Land*, and *The Thin Places*. All ages. Free. 8991 Bellevue Hts. **563-556-0620**. facebook.com/minesofspain.



Dubuque Shakespeare Project: Edward III

1-3:30 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY
Edward III is one of the most consequential kings of England, establishing it as a military force and conquering France. The play starts with his campaign in Scotland, and his attempted wooing of the Countess of Salisbury. The king learns valuable lessons in character and then attempts to conquer France in the second half of the play. His son, the charismatic Black Prince, plays a huge role in the battles. A short presentation on Marlowe's plays, especially *Edward II* will precede the discussion. 360 W 11th St. **563-589-4225**. carnegiestout.org.

WED 1/17



She Unites: Finding Where I Belong

6:30-7:30 PM @ THE INNOVATION LAB
Dr. Gisella M. Aitken-Shadle presents *Finding Where I Belong: Equity, Inclusion and Me*. She is the Chief of Equity

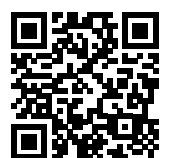
and Human Rights for the City of Dubuque. She is the former District Adult Education and Literacy Development Director for Northeast Iowa Community College. Gisella earned her Doctor of Education degree in Leadership for Organizations, and she has a Master's in Public Administration and Bachelor of Arts in International Studies with a focus in Human Rights, all from the University of Dayton. Free. 210 Jones St. SheUnitesIowa.com/events.

FRI 1/26



Golden Jubilee

VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE
1/26-1/27. Golden Jubilee is a tribute to 50 years of female student athletes at Dubuque Senior High School. The festivities commence on Jan. 26 at the Senior Girls Basketball Game at Nora Gym, featuring a vibrant Pink Out Game with special halftime recognition for past alumni female student athletes. The celebration extends into Jan. 27, with a delightful social hour and opportunities to reconnect at local hotspots like Charlottes and Dimensional Brewing. Participants in the Golden Jubilee will revel in the Pink Out Game on Friday with free admission for registered female student athletes. Registered alumnae will receive a pink commemorative t-shirt, adding a nostalgic flair to the occasion. RSVP by Jan. 15. chodge@hodgecompany.com. redhouseiowa@gmail.com.



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Ongoing & Recurring Events

TUESDAY



Early Explorers

10 AM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM
1ST TUE

Discover the ABCs through hands-on and active activities including a craft and a game. Ages 2-5 with parent/caregiver. RSVP suggested. \$10 Non-members; \$8 members; adult free. 350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545 x222**. RiverMuseum.org.

WEDNESDAY



Dubuque Humanist Society

Dubuque Area Humanists Social Hour

6 PM @ BACKPOCKET DUBUQUE
1ST WED

Enjoy a craft beer and join the Dubuque Area Humanists for lively, informed discussions centered around values, philosophy, and life experiences. Free. 333 E. 10th St. facebook.com/dubuqueareahumanists.



She Unites

6:30-7:30 PM @ 7 HILLS EVENT CENTER
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across the region through education, philanthropy, mutual support, and more. Free. 1098 Jackson St. SheUnitesIowa.com.



Toastmasters Speakeasy Club

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First Fridays is Downtown Dubuque's monthly visual art series, hosted by galleries, museums, and venues, celebrating Dubuque's great visual arts scene. Free.

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THROUGH APRIL
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1ST & 3RD SAT THROUGH APRIL
Find homegrown and hand-made products from fresh produce and prepared food to stained glass and bath bombs. 120 W Main St, Platteville, WI. **608-218-4374**. PlattevilleFarmersMarketWI.com.



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LIVE AT HERITAGE CENTER
PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

Band Together Charity Concert feat. Cade Thompson

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12 @ 7:30 PM
UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE HERITAGE CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL

The Band Together Charity Concert featuring Cade Thompson, presented by the Boundless Trailer, will be held on Friday, Jan. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the University of Dubuque Heritage Center.

Red Street Records artist Cade Thompson is an energetic and soulful contemporary Christian music artist with a sound that appeals to believers and mainstream pop audiences alike. His effortless style promotes his personal musical influences, which draw heavily from the church. Thompson has made waves across the Christian music community with the release of his debut single, "Provider," and, in August 2020, he earned his first Top 20 Billboard charting single with "Every Step of the Way."

With his admirable ability to transform his thoughts and faith into a powerful collection of melodies and lyrics, Thompson has inspired a vast amount of people to step into all that God has for them.

Just as Thompson is passionate about inspiring and promoting individuals to step into their God-given purpose, the Boundless Trailer, a nonprofit organization, actively takes that drive and puts it into real action within communities across the United States.

The Boundless Trailer is based out of East Dubuque, IL, but is unique in the aspect that it is a completely mobile organization. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Boundless Trailer's founder, Paige Johnston, took what she described as a useless, old, forgotten-about camper and turned it into a mobile resource center that is new, worthy, and appreciated by many people. The purple 1974 Yellowstone Camper is stocked to the brim with basic life necessities from clothing to hygiene products to assist individuals affected by poverty or natural disasters—all while cultivating a community of love and support to help individuals reach a level of self-sustainability. All of the services are provided at no cost to the recipients.

Funds raised through the concert's ticket sales will go toward supporting the mission and vision of the Boundless Trailer as the nonprofit prepares for another year of distribution trips.

"The night provides you and your loved ones the opportunity to 'band' together as one community, ready to boldly say yes to help fuel the mission and vision of the Boundless Trailer while bonding over true and authentic music. We can't wait to spend the evening encouraging and promoting real change alongside you," Johnston said. Tickets are \$20-\$40. ■



LIVE AT HERITAGE CENTER
PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

Blood Done Sign My Name

FEATURING MIKE WILEY

MONDAY, JANUARY 22 @ 7:30 PM
UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE HERITAGE CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL

Blood Done Sign My Name featuring Mike Wiley will recount the best-selling book of the same name at the University of Dubuque Heritage Center on Monday, Jan. 22 at 7:30 p.m.

In *Blood Done Sign My Name*, Mike Wiley brings to life the recollections of author and historian Tim Tyson's award-winning memoir surrounding the 1970 murder of Henry "Dickie" Marrow in Oxford, NC, and the events that followed. Marrow, who was Black, was chased from a local store by three white men and killed after he reportedly made a

crude remark to one of the men's wives. Despite eyewitness reports, an all-White jury acquitted the men. The town's Black community responded to the events with an uprising that destroyed several tobacco warehouses holding millions of dollars in harvested crops. Tyson, who was 10 at the time, recounts how the conflagration of events shaped his life and offers an opportunity to examine our own roles in the complex and often confusing racial fabric of America.

An acclaimed actor and playwright, Wiley spent the first decade of his professional career fulfilling his mission to bring educational theater to young audiences. He has appeared on the Discovery Channel, The Learning Channel, and the National Geographic Channel, was profiled in *Our State* and *American Theatre* magazines, and was named an Indy Artist of the Year in 2012.

Occasional use of language or terminology accurate to an event's period or setting may be viewed by some as offensive or inappropriate—but by avoiding such language, the historical truth of the portrayal becomes less authentic.

A free pre-show reception for *Dale Easley in the Wild West: Sabbatical Photography* will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Bisignano Art Gallery.

Tickets are \$20-\$29 for adults and \$15 for children. ■



LIVE AT HERITAGE CENTER
PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

An Evening with Marty Stuart & His Fabulous Superlatives

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 @ 8 PM
UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE HERITAGE CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL

An Evening with Marty Stuart & His Fabulous Superlatives brings a country music icon to the University of Dubuque Heritage Center on Saturday, Jan. 27 at 8 p.m.

A country music hall of famer, five-time Grammy award winner, and

American Music Awards Lifetime Achievement honoree, Marty Stuart knows a thing or two about standing the test of time. Born and raised in Philadelphia, MS., he landed his first big gig in Lester Flatts' band at 13 years old, and, by 21, he was working on the road and in the studio with Johnny Cash.

Though Stuart built his early reputation backing up country and bluegrass royalty, it wasn't long before Nashville recognized him as a star in his own right. Over the course of Stuart's 40-plus years as a country and bluegrass solo artist, he has released more than 20 major label albums and scored Platinum sales, hit singles, and just about every honor the industry could bestow along the way.

Known for his traditional style and eclectic combination of rockabilly, honky-tonk, and traditional country music, Stuart is considered one of the genre's most historically minded "new" traditionalists. *Rolling Stone* called him "one of the world's foremost country experts and archivists."

Altitude, Stuart's new album released in 2023, was recorded in Nashville with his longtime band, the Fabulous Superlatives. Tickets are \$29-\$59. ■

Picture Yourself
in the Tri-States



Once again, Alex and Yindra Cotman-Dixon invited community members to come together and learn more about Kwanzaa, an annual celebration of African-American culture.
Photo by Alex Lee.



St. Peter's Lutheran Church once again staged their living nativity scene in front of the church on the evening of December 16.



The Grinch disapproves of kids at Marshall School getting a few days of vacation over the Christmas holiday, but true to form, the Grinch changes his tune in the end!



Tony Pfohl and Chad Chandlee host Christmas Cocktails for a cause at the Hotel Julien Dubuque's Riverboat Lounge supporting Hills & Dales.



The Beatelles lit up the stage at the Ohnward Fine Arts Center in Maquoketa on New Year's Eve!



The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra got a little silly, cramming the brass section into Santa's Sleigh to promote gift certificate sales for the holidays. Yes, you can still give the gift of DSO!



Julien Dubuque himself delivered many of the Limited (only 190) Edition Dubuque Flag, celebrating our beautiful city's 190-year heritage, including a pop-in at Cremer's Grocery in Dubuque's North end.



The Kwik Stop Dubuque family delivered Christmas miracles to 23 Dubuque area families. Thanks to all of you who shopped for a tag on the Christmas tree, rounded up your store purchase, or made a donation.



GIRLS NIGHT! Or I guess they call it "Posh Nosh Dinner 2023" as Robin, Susie, Bridget, Natalie, Sherri & Tina get their Christmas-on at Hotel Julien Dubuque!



Photographer Beth McDonald and Suzy Koelker get in a lovely 18 holes on Christmas Eve Day at Dubuque Golf & Country Club. Now that's Christmas!



Hairball, one of the best '80s hard rock tribute bands in the land, brought their rockin' show to the Mississippi Moon Bar at the Diamond Jo Casino for the holidays!

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First Fridays

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

9 AM–5 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY (360 W 11TH ST)

10 AM–7 PM @ ELEVATED IMAGES (129 MAIN ST)

NOON–7 PM @ WIDDERSHINS GALLERY (2204 CENTRAL AVE)

4:30–7:30 PM @ OUTSIDE THE LINES ART GALLERY (1101 MAIN ST)

5:30–9:30 PM @ VOICES STUDIOS (1585 CENTRAL AVE)

7–11 PM @ SMOKESTACK (62 E 7TH ST)

First Fridays is Downtown Dubuque's monthly art series, celebrating Dubuque's great visual arts scene. Visit all of the locations and celebrate our creative community. All stops are free.

Carnegie-Stout Public Library hosts a group show for Arts @ your library. Support local artists while shopping for a unique gift.

Elevated Images is Dubuque's newest photo gallery and gift shop which offers a wide range of wall décor and gift items. From puzzles, playing cards, keychains, and more, they've got your stocking covered.

Widdershins Gallery at Bear Dancer Studios showcases artwork by local, regional, and national artists including Mark Dierker, John Potter, Debra Sullivan, Sara Mess, and Dan Alderman. Enjoy the comfy vintage furniture while listening to classic rock tunes. Refreshments will also be available.

Outside the Lines Art Gallery features gallery manager and artist Abby Schrup who will be demonstrating her seed bead jewelry techniques. Light refreshments will be offered. Abby will return for Sequel Saturday the next morning. This is a relaxed, family-friendly opportunity to visit with the artists of our community and learn a little about how they make their art.

Voices Studios hosts *Eternal Elegance and Landscapes of Eastern Iowa*, an

exhibit that seamlessly marries classical painting styles with a contemporary edge. This unique showcase features the works of Timothy Rees and Evan Ventris, whose masterpieces embody a perfect blend of traditional techniques with a touch of modern sophistication. Their collective creations are set to illuminate Voices Studios in an exclusive set of works that embody beauty, landscapes and the human spirit, demonstrating a profound and harmonious merger of past and present artistic expressions. Additionally, the Studio Gallery will feature an eclectic array of works by graffiti writer-turned studio artist Mario ZORE Gonzalez.

Dubuque Area Arts Collective (DAAC) celebrates 14 regional and local artists from the Scenic Art Loop. The collection of works spotlight various mediums of art including paintings, illustrations, photographic works, mixed media, metal and clay sculptures. The Driftless Region's exclusive year-round art guide invites travelers on a self-guided art tour along the backroads and byways through the prehistoric landscapes of the Driftless Region and Mississippi River. More than 60 artists and artisan businesses are dispersed in over 1,700 square miles in the Tri-State region. Live performances by Addison Aronson and James Riley will add to the ambiance. ■

Ultimate Rock Hits

JANUARY 12 AND 13 @ 8 PM

DIAMOND JO CASINO

MISSISSIPPI MOON BAR (301 BELL ST)

The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra joins with local rock bands and guest conductor Dr. Rob Stull (DSYE Youth Orchestra Conductor and Director of bands/Assistant Professor of Music at Clarke University) to present an amazing symphonic rock experience on Jan. 12 and 13 at 8 p.m. at the Diamond Jo Casino's Mississippi Moon Bar.

Featuring chart-topping hits from the 1970s to the present, past performances have included covers of legendary songs from groups like Aerosmith, Van Halen, The Rolling Stones, and Led Zeppelin. You won't want to miss this



unique collaboration that has never failed to bring the house down!

Tickets are \$25–\$45. For tickets and more information, call the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra at **563-557-1677** or visit dubuquesymphony.org. ■



2024 Winter Arts Snow Sculpting Festival

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

MONDAY, JANUARY 15 @ 5 PM

EVENT: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

DUBUQUE MUSEUM OF ART & WASHINGTON PARK (701 LOCUST ST)

The 2024 Winter Arts Snow Sculpting Festival will take place Feb. 8–11, with community festivities on Sunday, Feb. 11 from noon to 4 p.m. Applications open Dec. 8 and are due by Monday, Jan. 15 at 5 p.m.

Every year, Dubuque celebrates the Winter Arts Snow Sculpting Festival in

its downtown Washington Park. This free, family-friendly event is produced by the Dubuque Museum of Art in partnership with the City of Dubuque's Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs. Typically the 2nd full weekend in February, teams of professional, amateur, and collegiate artists sculpt Thursday through noon on Sunday transform 288 cubic feet of snow into masterful works of art.

A winning team is chosen and offered the opportunity to represent the state of Iowa at the U.S. National Snow Sculpting Competition in Lake Geneva, WI the following year. A People's Choice selection is also chosen through online and in-person voting from noon to 4 p.m. following the call for "tools down" on the Sunday of the festival weekend.

For 2024, teams are encouraged, but not required, to design snow sculptures inspired by LOVE. Educational programming and entertainment scheduled in association with Winter Arts community activities are in conjunction with the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra's Spring Classic Concert Series *Star-Crossed Lovers*, featuring unique retelling of *Romeo and Juliet* and *West Side Story*'s love story of Maria and Tony.

For full registration information, rules, and more, visit cityofdubuque.org/winterarts. ■

Kids Take the Stage Youth Theater Classes Registration Deadline

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

BELL TOWER THEATER (2728 ASBURY RD)

The award-winning program Kids Take the Stage Youth Theater Classes is back at the Bell Tower Theater this winter. Kids in kindergarten through sixth grade can immerse themselves in the wonderful world of music and theater in these weekly classes in the classroom and on the stage at the Bell Tower Theater.

Bell Tower Theater Artistic Associate Michelle Blanchard will teach four different classes. Under her guidance, kids at all skill levels will learn and have fun.

Deadline for enrollment is Jan. 17. Financial assistance scholarships are available for qualified families. For more information or to sign up, call the Bell Tower Theater at **563-588-3377** or visit BellTowerTheater.net. ■



Winter 2024 Classes

Let's Pretend

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WEDNESDAYS: JAN 31–MARCH 6

@ 4–5 PM OR 5:15–6:15 PM

Acting

GRADES: 4–6

THURSDAYS: FEB 1–MARCH 7

@ 4–5 PM OR 5:15–6:15 PM

Fractured Fairytales

GRADES: 4–6

TUESDAYS: JAN 30–MARCH 5 @ 4:30–6 PM



CALL FOR ARTISTS

Black As You Are Art Exhibit

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

SHOW: FEBRUARY 2-24

SMOKESTACK (62 E 7TH ST)

Art4US and the Dubuque Area Arts Collective invite artist's submissions for the *Black As You Are* Art Exhibit celebrating local and regional Black artists telling their perspectives and narratives through art. The exhibit will be on display

Feb. 2-24 at Smokestack. Submissions deadline is Friday, Jan. 19. The First Fridays art exhibit opening reception will be held on Friday, Feb. 2 at 7-11 p.m.

All subjects and mediums are accepted for consideration including, but not limited to, 2D, 3D, video, traditional, and digital media. Student, upcoming, and established artists of all ages within 100 miles of Dubuque are encouraged to apply. Artwork can be for-sale or not-for-sale.

To submit your work or for more information, visit dubuquearts.com/BlackAsYouAre. ■

JULIEN DUBUQUE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

Winter Film Series

THURSDAYS: JANUARY 25 AND FEBRUARY 22 @ 7 PM

MULTICULTURAL FAMILY CENTER (1157 CENTRAL AVE)

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 @ 7 PM

HOTEL JULIEN DUBUQUE (200 MAIN ST)

Enjoy select films from the 2023 Julien Dubuque International Film Festival. Watch a cause-related film followed by a Q&A or panel. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the film starting at 7 p.m. The series is free and open to the public.

The series begins on Thursday, Jan. 25 with a screening of *Adapting to Dive* at the Multicultural Family Center. Seven days before leaving to make a documentary with Diveheart, a nonprofit organization that enhances the lives of people with disabilities through scuba diving and related activities, filmmaker David Marsh's son dies of a drug overdose. He decides to go anyway—but doesn't tell anyone about his loss. He learns about healing and adapting from these adaptive divers. The Q&A includes Tinamarie Hernandez, the executive director of Diveheart, and Jim Elliott, the president and founder of Diveheart. The documentary has a GA rating and is 65 minutes long.

The second film in the series is *The Exchange* on Thursday, Feb. 22 at the Multicultural Family Center. In 1966, a social studies teacher in all-white



Kaukauna, WI wanted his students to perform the controversial play, *In White America*. So, along with a Black English teacher in Milwaukee, they developed a two-month student exchange with a mostly Black high school. This is the story of an experience during the Civil Rights era brought into the time of Black Lives Matter. Followed by a Q&A with the director and producer. The documentary has a GA rating and is 61 minutes long.

The series closes out on Thursday, March 21 at Hotel Julien Dubuque. More information about this screening will be released in the future.

For more information, visit JulienFilmFest.com. ■

FLY-BY-NIGHT PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

Wish List

JANUARY 26-27 AND

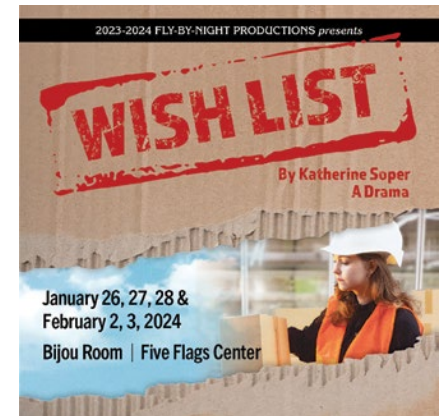
FEBRUARY 2-3 @ 7:30 PM

JANUARY 28 @ 2 PM

FIVE FLAGS CENTER BIJOU ROOM (405 MAIN ST)

Fly-By-Night Productions begins their 2024 season with *Wish List*, a drama by Katherine Soper.

What is the worth of your labor in an economy stacked against you? Tamsin works on the clock in a distribution packing center and cares for her homebound brother, who is declared fit to work thus denied government benefits. Between trying to keep her job by making her daily quotas, negotiating her brother's bureaucratic issues, as well as full time care-taking, Tamsin's gentle humor and ample grace help her power through this stressful time, celebrating her humanity and ours.



Join for a talk back with the cast and director following the Jan. 27 and Feb. 2 performances. Moderate profanity.

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



DUBUQUE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Student Concerto Competition

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

EVENT: SATURDAY, APRIL 6

CLARKE UNIVERSITY JANSEN

MUSIC HALL (1550 CLARKE DR)

The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra invites local piano, strings, woodwind, brass, and percussion students enrolled in grades 8-12 to participate in their annual Student Concerto Competition on Saturday, April 6 at Clarke University Jansen Music Hall.

The Concerto Competition is an excellent opportunity for young artists to develop music performance skills, and enhance their music performance portfolio. Applicants may perform as instrumental soloists or as part of a duet, trio, or quartet. They will perform one movement of an orchestral concerto or other orchestral work, not to exceed 10 minutes in length.

The first place winner will be awarded \$500 and may be invited to perform their concerto movement with the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra the following season under the direction of Maestro William Intriligator. Performances with the DSO typically take place on either the Summer Melodies or Arts Trek education concerts. The second place winner will be awarded \$300 and may be invited to perform their concerto movement with the Dubuque Symphony Youth Orchestra the following season. The third prize winner will be awarded \$100 and may be asked to perform with the Dubuque Symphony Youth Orchestra. An Honorable Mention certificate may also be awarded.

Contestants must submit an application form to the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra no later than Sunday, March 3. The application form and a full list of rules can be found online at dubuquesymphony.org/concerto-competition. For more information, contact Hannah Von Mulert, Director of Education & Outreach at hvonmulert@dubuquesymphony.org or **563-557-1677**. ■

The Vintage Advantage

Why You Should Buy Vintage and Where to Find It Locally

By Sara Eliot Steuer

One Saturday in the '90s, my dad and I found 500 original '60s and '70s rock albums out for the trash. Thus began my love affair with music, but a side effect of that aural fixation was my natural tendency toward the visual; I began obsessing over the attire of The Beatles and The Rolling Stones, and, by extension, their stylish girlfriends. Next came Warhol Factory "Superstars" Edie Sedgwick and Nico. I'd slip away to thrift stores every weekend, not a popular activity at the time and a theme as I was always very "popular." It was in those aisles and bins that I'd find clothes to express myself through the imitation of my obscure idols. I was the only female at Wahlert who drew on Twiggy lashes, sported Manic Panic blue hair on weekends, and wore an assortment of vintage outfits whenever allowed. I even wore my belt buckle on the side because Mick Jagger did it in The Rolling Stones Rock and Roll Circus, and if it was good enough for Mick, Edie, or Bowie, I was (and still am) sold. And so began my love affair with vintage clothing.

As a collector for decades, and a seller during the eBay boom of the early '00s, nowadays you won't catch me in a dress, but I find that buying vintage offers an opportunity to attain high quality, often designer pieces, that are amazingly

wearable whether originally intended for men or women. Vintage just adds that *je ne sais quoi* making it imminently wearable when blended with a contemporary wardrobe, while offering individualism and depth of style to otherwise typical fare. It's also sustainable, affordable, and often made of higher quality materials than designers use today. And did I mention it's trendy? That's right, I would have been popular if only I'd been born in 1998.

This is a sentiment shared with Jessica Pfohl Paisley, professional stylist and founder of PS Styling.

"Collecting or borrowing vintage started young for me. My earliest memories are borrowing my favorite things from my mom's closet. My mom grew up in the '70s with peasant blouses, turquoise jewelry, and bell bottoms, and I loved looking at photos of her and her style." Pfohl Paisley continues to incorporate these elements into her look today, and this early experience has inspired her entire career.

While Dubuque has had the occasional vintage shop over the years, local access to vintage apparel has become more readily attainable with the recent additions of Chain Vintage, its physical location on Bluff Street; Bollhammer Vintage, a curated pop-up and online experience; and The Trip Vintage Boutique in Galena, IL, to name a few. With the rise of thrift culture, finding true vintage at Goodwill has become scarce, but step into independently-owned shops like Chain, and owner Willie Tigges will offer you a well-curated selection of pieces with an eye on quality, history, and trend.

Beginning as a seller in 2021, Tigges prides himself on knowing the history of each item he selects for the shop.

"I research each piece individually. It's time consuming, but I do it for my own interest and education. It's why I love



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SARA'S TAPESTRY SUIT AND GEORGE HARRISON WEARING THE SAME SUIT



PHOTO: CHAIN VINTAGE

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THE TRIP VINTAGE BOUTIQUE



PHOTO: HETTA BOLL

BOLLHAMMER VINTAGE

vintage." Viewing this as an opportunity to help educate customers not only on the provenance of a piece, but on how much clothing waste occurs as the result of fast fashion, and how styles tend to reappear on a 20-year cycle, he hopes the curated experience offered at Chain Vintage goes beyond just buying a fabulous garment to helping shift mindsets.

"If you look at tags, fast fashion is almost always 100% polyester. People today don't tend to invest in quality pieces which creates waste, but with vintage, you get something unique, of higher quality than what's available retail, and often totally on-trend." The latter sentiment is echoed by another local collector and seamstress, Shelby Cole.

Cole discovered her love of vintage as the result of pin-up modelling, which she began a decade ago. She became a seller in 2020 mostly to finance her own collection, with a booth at a local antique mall and an eBay store. As a talented seamstress, she knows quality fabric.

"It baffles me that people pay good money for garbage fabrics. Vintage often eliminates this issue," said Cole. And while not all vintage is created equal, with the novel fabrics like polyester and nylon commonplace in the '60s, the opportunity to find items of true quality exist in greater supply than on the modern retail market. With so many great clothing pieces already in existence, vintage offers an opportunity to buy something new to you,

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while eliminating excess waste, bringing up a hot topic fueling the present surge in vintage sales: sustainability.

"I've seen the pendulum swing from total consumerism to it being cooler to buy secondhand and vintage as a means to be environmentally friendly and not support a disposable garment industry," said Cole.

This brings up one of the most impactful elements of vintage: its ethical side. As a longtime vegetarian, I decided on principle that I wouldn't support the fur trade. Arguably, though, fur is beautiful, so, a great way to avoid the moral dilemma was to only buy vintage fur and leather goods, with proceeds supporting the secondhand shop, not the fur trade. As a result, I own some beautiful pieces, including an astrakhan (curly lamb) and fox fur trapeze jacket from the '50s, a selection of elbow-length leather gloves that I wear regularly, and a few early leather Coach bags that put to shame the company's current logoed offerings, all of which are part of my lifetime collection, and were pennies compared to retail, with the fur jacket being \$3.50, the most I paid for a single item mentioned, while the Coach bags were a dollar each.

"Buying secondhand is so crucial," said Hetta Boll, owner and curator at Bollhammer Shop. "I promise you can find pretty much anything you need secondhand, and normalizing that is necessary to break down the impact of capitalism." Existing mostly online, Boll does in-person pop-up events with a selection of curated inventory.

"Sustainability is a huge benefit. Every time you buy something secondhand, you're keeping one less item out of the landfill, plus it was generally USA and Union made." She pointed out that her generation and younger put a lot of value into being sustainable, with ethical consumption as an important factor in their choice.

"I think vintage is a direct way people can impact their personal consumption in a positive way," echoed Pfohl Paisley. "They're getting dressed with a mission-minded purpose instead of following the latest trends and buying just for the sake of buying. When we, as shoppers and consumers, really see the effect of what throwaway clothing is doing, it's hard not to do something about it."

For Chris Donovan, owner of The Trip Vintage Boutique in Galena, IL, there are a few factors at play.

"Fashion is moving so fast with social media-driven microtrends that people are freer than ever to explore niche aesthetics and styles outside what would have previously been the 'norm,' which means if someone wants to wear vintage—whether in an avant-garde way, or to incorporate it into a modern look, or period-accurate style—they feel empowered to do so. It's a very freeing time for fashion!"

Agreeing that fast fashion is a burden on our society, Donovan also recognizes that people are looking for unique pieces that they won't see anyone else wearing.

"Occasionally, I'll find 'vintage twins,' but it's very rare. For the most part, when you find a vintage piece, you're never going to find another identical item. They're special." This is a big draw for vintage enthusiasts; the ability to reinforce their individuality.

It's also a common theme amongst sellers, collectors, and buyers alike.

"I generally had access to vintage as a young person with little money of my own, and that was a huge creative outlet for me. I was obsessed from a very young age with old music and records, and I wanted to dress like my favorite musicians from the past," said Donovan.

"When I first started thrifting, I was an angsty teen who wanted unique clothing," said Boll. "Plus,

in the '90s, it was inexpensive. With my weekly allowance, I could buy an entire outfit of whatever new style persona I wanted to try out."

While Pfohl Paisley, "had limited funds growing up" so throughout most of her childhood and teen years, she "frequented secondhand shops, thrift stores and estate sales for fashions."

The same is true with Cole, who boasts a personal style that she says cannot "be categorized from day to day" and extends to me, a music obsessed history-of-style buff who has gone through every conceivable style iteration; from a girly mod, to a presently more gender-neutral minimalist look referencing both male and female style trends from past decades that hold up as mainstays in a stylish, but not "fast fashion"-oriented wardrobe. This may be the truest allure of vintage; the history it allows the wearer to live within and the individuality that provides.

"The benefit of knowing that you're getting something that has lasted 50 years and may last another 20, with all of its history, is amazing," said Tigges. "Walk into Target and look at all the 'cottage-core' dresses. Those are just poor-quality dupes of '70s Gunne Sax pieces that are of far greater quality. Why not own the real thing when you can get on-trend pieces at an affordable price with resale value?" As both collector and former seller, I couldn't agree more.

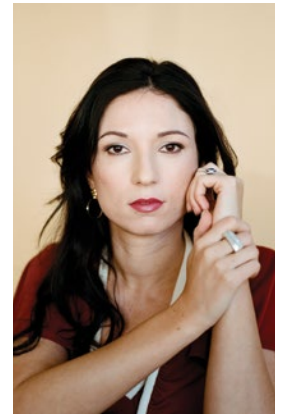
To bookend my opening paragraph, though it's not an end to my story, I offer you this inspiration: In 2006, I walked into the Mission Thrift Store and found a taping suit on a half-price rack. Looking at the colorful tag, I knew exactly what it was; my music knowledge never fails me. This piece was designed and produced by Dutch collective The Fool and made exclusively for sale at The Beatles Apple Boutique in London, open only from December 1967 to July 1968. My heart stopped. I casually took it to the counter, not letting the clerk see my excitement in case he decided to charge me full price, and promptly paid the \$10. For years, I played dress up in it and allowed my guy friends in bands to do photo ops wearing it, all while being its caretaker for a decade until I decided to sell it to British collectors, C20 Vintage, who archive that era's fashion, loaning out to museums and the film industry. On their Instagram page, you can find a picture of George Harrison wearing the same jacket. While I will never know if I owned and wore George Harrison's personal suit, what I do know is that being the caretaker of a piece of history was a deeply meaningful privilege in my life, and this is my best argument for why you should go straight to Chain Vintage or The Trip Vintage Boutique, or catch the next Bollhammer pop-up event, because you will never feel that level of pleasure from a Zara sweater. I promise you.

No matter if you approach vintage fashion from the angle of sustainability, history, or individuality, you'll never regret buying that vintage piece.

"Style in general has always been part of my personality and a way to express myself. By wearing and styling vintage clothing, you have the ability to stretch across different times, industries, and experiences in a way you wouldn't otherwise in this one lifetime," said Pfohl Paisley. "The essence of each piece is shared through you, each time you wear it."

And if that doesn't resonate with you, Cole suggests, "The beauty is that you can resell it and get another vintage piece! The hunt is a high, and the sense of individuality and quality are unmatched."

So, I say, let the hunt begin! ■



SHELBY COLE AND JESSICA PFOHL PAISLEY

Vintage Buyer's Guide

Ready to shop for local and regional vintage? Need styling tips? Here is our guide to the featured sellers, collectors, and more:

Chain Vintage

373 BLUFF ST, DUBUQUE, IA
IG: @CHAINVINTAGECO

The Trip Vintage Boutique

234 N MAIN ST, GALENA, IL
DEPOP.COM/THETRIPVINTAGEBPUTIQUE

Bollhammer Vintage

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Bollhammer Vintage offers curated pop-up experiences. Follow them on Instagram and purchase online.

Vintage Vera's

IG: @VINTAGEVERAS
Vintage Vera's offers pop-up events

Grandpa's Relics

IG: @GRANDPAS_RELICS
Grandpa's Relics offers curated thrifted pop-up events in Dubuque and Ames, IA

Fueled by Vintage

IG: @FUELEDBYVTG
Fueled by Vintage offers curated vintage menswear at pop-ups in Dubuque and Iowa City, with stock at Olliewood Action Sports

Pretty Dope Vintage

IG: @PRETTYDOPEVTG
Pretty Dope Vintage offers curated pop-up events featuring vintage T-shirts

Road Bunny Vintage

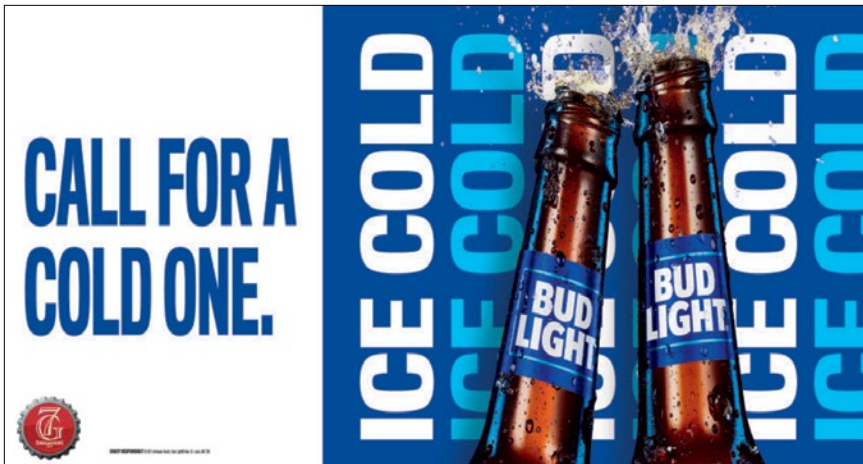
IG: @ROADBUNNY_VINTAGE
Road Bunny Vintage is a pop-up experience

Shelby Cole

IG: SHELBYCOLECREATIONS
You can connect with Shelby Cole on Instagram

Jessica Pfohl Paisley

J@PSSTYLING.COM
You can connect with Jessica Pfohl Paisley through email



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FRI 1/5

Fabulous Fridays Artists Series:
St. Luke's Artists
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Terry McCauley
4 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Rock Steady
7 PM @ Days Inn
Spirits Bar & Grill

Pennyroyal
7 PM @ First Reserve

First Fridays: Addison Aronson,
James Riley
7 PM @ Smokestack

Secrets
7 PM @ Timber Lanes
(Maquoketa, IA)

Hannah Roeschlein
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

Kevin Presbrey
8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Tu'Mera, Exodia,
If I Could Just Get Some Sleep
10 PM @ The Lift

SAT 1/6

Massey Road
3 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Rock Steady
6 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

Big Night Out
6 PM @ The Other Side
(East DBQ, IL)

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

The Mixed Emotions Band
7 PM @ Days Inn
Spirits Bar & Grill

Mississippi Band
7 PM @ Southend Tap

Meghan Davis
7 PM @ Galena Brewing Co
(Galena, IL)

Hannah Roeschlein
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

Dueling Pianos
8 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino
Mississippi Moon Bar

Astrachan, Bella Moss
8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Kevin Presbrey
8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

SUN 1/7

Barefoot & Sunshine
1 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Jake Stack
1 PM @ O So Good Winery
(Dyersville, IA)

Sam Day
2 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
(Dyersville, IA)

Joseph John Valenti
2 PM @ River Ridge Brewing
(Bellevue, IA)

Tony Walker
3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

WED 1/10

Marques Morel
7 PM @ First Reserve

Dance Dance Party Party
7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

THU 1/11

Matt Keen, Emma Butterworth
7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Nate Craig
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

FRI 1/12

Fabulous Fridays Artists Series:
Ralph Kluseman
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Jef Spradley
4 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Stone Wolf Trio
7 PM @ Days Inn
Spirits Bar & Grill

Dodge St Duo
7 PM @ First Reserve

Rock Steady
7 PM @ The Hilltop at
Menominee (Menominee, IL)

Jimmy Welty Band
7 PM @ Twisted Vines
(Potosi, WI)

Band Together Concert:
Cade Thompson
7:30 PM @ UD Heritage Center

Kevin Bozeman
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra:
Ultimate Rock Hits
8 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino
Mississippi Moon Bar

Robert Ellis, Ben Dunegan
8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Gypsy
8 PM @ Asbury Eagles Club
(Asbury, IA)

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

Ghostlight Improv
8:30 PM @ Smokestack

SAT 1/13

Lollipops & Music for Our
Preschoolers: Tapestry
10 AM @ Carnegie-Stout
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2 Walking Molly

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MARCH

1 Riley Beck

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3 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Secrets
7 PM @ Days Inn
Spirits Bar & Grill

Daniel Eric
7 PM @ Wicked Dame

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
7 PM @ R Place (East DBQ, IL)

Kevin Bozeman
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra:
Ultimate Rock Hits
8 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino
Mississippi Moon Bar

Ladies' Comedy Night:
Grace Bahler, Tori Kilkenny
8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

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

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

SUN 1/14
Lexi Healy
1 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Casey Klein
1 PM @ O So Good Winery
(Dyersville, IA)

Secrets
3 PM @ Hawg Dogs (Savanna, IL)

Andreas Tranzo
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

WED 1/17
Gabe Schillman
7 PM @ First Reserve

THU 1/18
Tapestry
5 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Soren Staff, The Spine Stealers
7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Songwriters Showcase:
Raven Rose & Lojo Russo
7 PM @ Galena Center for
the Arts (Galena, IL)

FRI 1/19
Fabulous Fridays Artists Series:
Laura Southworth &
Leslie Appleby
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Jeff Theisen
4 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Car Show X-Mas Party:
Nutsy Turtle & Lori G
6 PM @ The Other Side
(East DBQ, IL)

Mark Zalaznik
6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Noah Hittner
7 PM @ Days Inn
Spirits Bar & Grill

Chad Olson Jr
7 PM @ First Reserve

Josh Adam Meyers
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

Kind of a Big Deal
8 PM @ Diamond Jo Casino
Mississippi Moon Bar

Heligoats, Chris Porterfield
8 PM @ Fox Den Motel

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

SAT 1/20
Three Quarter Buzz
2 PM @ Burkey's Bar

Jimmy Welty Band
3 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Knapp Creek
6 PM @ O So Good Winery
(Dyersville, IA)

Joie Wails
7 PM @ Days Inn
Spirits Bar & Grill

Rock Steady
7 PM @ Southend Tap

Pop Up Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia
7 PM @ River Ridge Brewing
(Bellevue, IA)

Josh Adam Meyers
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

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

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

Tony Walker
8:30 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

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

Clockwork: Thysbe, Emple,
Sam Link, Earl Dernhardt
9 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Marbin
9 PM @ The Lift

SUN 1/21
Ozzy & Bon Joe B
1 PM @ Sundown Mountain

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

Ian Gould
2 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
(Dyersville, IA)

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

WED 1/24
Theresa Rosetta
7 PM @ First Reserve

FRI 1/26
Fabulous Fridays Artists Series:
Al Williams & Dr. Peter Szeibel
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Joie Wails
4 PM @ Sundown Mountain

Mississippi Band
6 PM @ The Other Side
(East DBQ, IL)

Jimmy Welty Band
6 PM @ Timber Lanes
(Maquoketa, IA)

Searchlight Soul
7 PM @ Days Inn
Spirits Bar & Grill

Casey Klein
7 PM @ First Reserve

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

Joshua Black
8 PM @ Comedy Bar

Schlomo Franklin,
Trevor Sensor, Dogcatcher
8 PM @ Fox Den Motel



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Gladdy Ressler, Jamie Jones,
Special Guests
1 PM @ Council Hill Station
(Council Hill, IL)

Bingo
4 PM @ Gary Dolphin's
Iron Bar

Open Mic & Sketch Group
w/ Addison Aronson
4 PM @ Smokestack
1st Sun

MONDAY

Trivia w/ Fun N Games Co
6:30 PM @ Round Two
(Peosta, IA)
4th Mon

Trivia w/ Fun N Games Co
6:30 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
(Dyersville, IA)
1st & 3rd Mon

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

TUESDAY

Tarot Tuesday @ 4 PM
Tuesday Night Record Club
w/ DJ Nick Riedman and
DJ Chris Wilson @ 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 Co
7:30 PM @ Backpocket DBQ

WEDNESDAY

Trivia w/ Triviawithbrett
6 PM @ Hy-Vee Locust

Trivia For Dorks
7 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

WORDS Open Mic w/ Broz
7 PM @ Esther's Lounge
1st Wed

Free Den Wednesdays
7 PM @ Fox Den Motel

Open Mic
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

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

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

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

THURSDAY

Blues Jam @ 6 PM
Thirsty Thursday
Open Mic @ 8 PM
Smokestack

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

Rock Star Bingo
7 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co

Fingerstyle Guitar & Open Mic
w/ Calvin Coohy
7 PM @ First Reserve

Dolph's Vinyl Night
w/ Jeff Danna
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

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

Tomato Throw Show
8 PM @ Comedy Bar
No event on 1/11

Trivia w/ Fun N Games Co
8 PM @ Steve's Pizza
(Platteville, WI)
When UW-P is in session

Karaoke
9 PM @ Southend Tap

FRIDAY

Fabulous Fridays Artists Series
Noon @ St. Luke's United
Methodist Church
Through 3/22

Dolph's Vinyl Night
w/ Jeff Danna
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar
3rd Fri

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

Trivia Night
7 PM @ Maquoketa Brewing
(Maquoketa, IA)
1st Fri

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
7:30 PM @ Offside Sports
Complex
2nd Fri

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

Karaoke
9 PM @ Southend Tap

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

SATURDAY

L&MOP
10 AM @ Carnegie-Stout
Public Library
2nd Sat

Gladdy Ressler, Jamie Jones,
Special Guests
1 PM @ Council Hill Station
(Council Hill, IL)

Latin Night w/ DJ Papi
9 PM @ Smokestack
Last Sat

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

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

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JANUARY 12 & 13 @ 8 PM

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FEBRUARY 2 @ 8 PM

FOOL HOUSE

FEBRUARY 3 @ 8 PM

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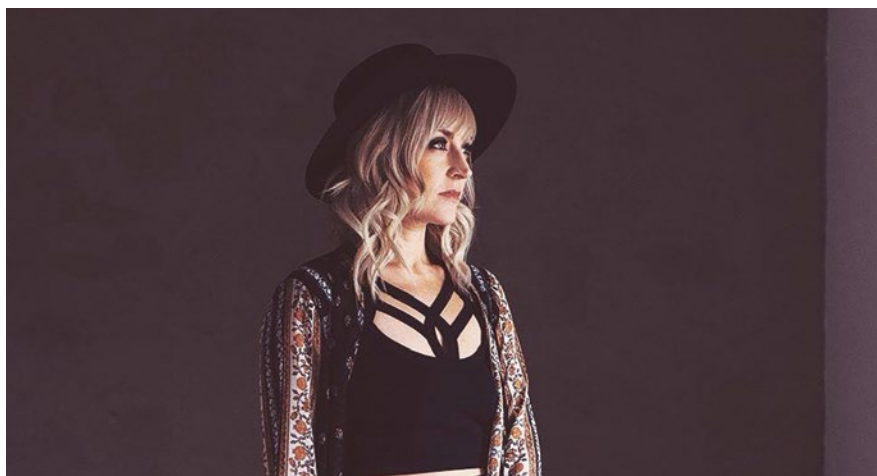
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 @ 7 PM
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 Amy Friedl Stoner returns to the Ohnward Fine Arts Center stage with a new show chronicling the hits and heartbreak of rock superstars Fleetwood Mac on Saturday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m.

Formed in 1967, Fleetwood Mac grew from humble English beginnings to capture the hearts and attention of fans worldwide. The band has gone on to sell over 100 million albums and chart numerous No. 1 hits, culminating in their 1998 induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$28 at the door for adults and \$15 in advance and \$18 at the door for ages 18 and younger. Tickets can be purchased at the Ohnward Fine Arts Center box office, by calling **563-652-9815**, or at **OhnwardFineArtsCenter.com**. ■



LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES

FRI 1/5



Tu'Mera's EP Release w/ Exodia, If I Could Just Get Some Sleep

10 PM @ THE LIFT (180 MAIN ST, LOWER LEVEL)
COVER: FREE
 Join Tu'mera for the release of their new EP. The four-piece metal band consists of Connor on vox, Zharbs on guitar, Evan on bass, and Chris on drums. Support from Exodia and If I Could Just Get Some Sleep. **facebook.com/theliftdubuque**.

SUN 1/7



Barefoot & Sunshine

1 PM @ SUNDOWN MOUNTAIN TIPS UP (16991 ASBURY RD)
COVER: FREE

Barefoot & Sunshine is an Americana-roots duo dead set on making and sharing their music full time. Dean Mattoon and Esmé Alexis blend style and voice, writing about such things as death, goodbyes, how they wish things were, and a few good times along the way, of course. But no matter the sentiment, you'd be hard-pressed to find them playing a song that didn't have great meaning to them. With a schoolbus and a prayer, they are jumping in with both bare feet and chasing the sunshine that is doing what they love. **SundownMTN.com**.

FRI 1/6



BJ McAndrew

6 PM @ DARKBIRD TAPHOUSE (7305 THUNDER VALLEY DR, PEOSTA, IA)
COVER: FREE

BJ McAndrew is a local acoustic cover musician. A regular on the local bar band circuit throughout college, he now performs solo, covering everything from The Band to '90s staples. He also includes plenty of his new favorite artists—groups like the Turnpike Troubadours and Tyler Childers—in the mix. **DarkbirdTaphouse.com**.

THU 1/11



Nate Craig

8 PM @ THE COMEDY BAR (333 E 10TH ST)
TICKETS: \$20-\$25

Nate Craig is an internationally touring headliner and paid regular at The Hollywood Comedy Store and The NY Comedy Cellar among others. Nate played Phil in the Netflix series *Maniac* and was a cast member on TruTV's *World's Dumbest*. He was featured on Season two of Comedy Central's *Roast Battle* and AXS *Gotham Comedy Live*. He also has appearances on Comedy Central's *Tosh.0* and *Mash-up*, which he also wrote for. He's written for 3 seasons of *Ridiculousness* on MTV. **ComedyBar.com**.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

PUZZLES ON PAGE 28
 GENERAL BOB IS AT GARY DOLPHIN'S IRON BAR

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The Lift

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TU'MERA, EXODIA, IF I COULD JUST GET SOME SLEEP

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MARBIN

FRI 1/26 • 10 PM • FREE
GOAT ROPER, MARQUES MOREL

SAT 1/27 • 10 PM • FREE
OTROS OUTROS, DAVE HELMER BAND, GOOD MORNING MIDNIGHT, PURE SERVICE

FRI 2/2 • 10 PM • FREE
SPACE BURIAL, LOUISIANA DRIFTER, OLD TOBY

FRI 2/16 • 10 PM • FREE
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 WED • \$4 CALL LIQUOR
 THU • \$3 DOMESTIC BOTTLES
 FRI & SAT (5-7 PM) • \$2 OFF TAP BEERS
 SUN • \$2 OFF JAMESON + GUINNESS

FRI 1/12



Robert Ellis w/ Ben Dunegan

8 PM @ FOX DEN MOTEL (920 MAIN ST)

TICKETS: \$15

Recorded live to tape in just two days, Robert Ellis's new album, *Yesterday's News*, is as stripped-down as it gets, with the celebrated songwriter and producer's delicate, reedy tenor accompanied only by nylon string guitar, upright bass, and the occasional piece of hand-held percussion. NPR hailed his "musical daring and impeccable songcraft," while *Rolling Stone* praised his "sharp eye for storytelling," and *The New York Times* lauded his writing as an emotional "gut punch." Local musician Ben Dunegan opens. FoxDenMotel.com.

SUN 1/14



Lexi Healey

1 PM @ SUNDOWN MOUNTAIN TIPS UP

(16991 ASBURY RD)

COVER: FREE

Local singer-songwriter Lexi Healey plays originals and covers on her acoustic guitar. You can find her performing at venues in the Tri-State area. SundownMTN.com.

WED 1/17



Gabe Schillman

7 PM @ FIRST RESERVE (210 W 1ST ST)

COVER: FREE

After many years of live performance and writing, Gabe moved back to Michigan and opened a studio and venue offering community members

of all ages and skill levels a range of opportunities to learn and create. As a 20+ year veteran to the music industry with a renewed passion for writing, Gabe is enjoying a professional career as a touring songwriter. His vulnerable and candid lyrics speak to the hearts of many in their joys and in their sorrows. facebook.com/FirstReserve.

THU 1/18



Songwriters Showcase:

Raven Rose and Lojo Russo

7 PM @ GALENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS

(971 GEAR ST, GALENA, IL)

COVER: FREE

Robyn Davis and Ted Williams of Raven Rose captivate audiences with their dynamic harmonies and songs, often with dark themes or ghostly in nature. Lojo Russo's musical style is as unpredictable as the river she calls home—moving from sweet folk to roots rock without missing a beat. Songwriters Showcase encourages the creation and sharing of original music by regional singer songwriters. Refreshments will be available. Donations appreciated. GalenaCenterForTheArts.com.

FRI 1/19



Nutsy Turtle & Lori G

6 PM @ THE OTHER SIDE (68 SINSINAWA AVE,

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Noodles and Company

By Danny Fairchild

Let me start by saying that never have I been in a newly opened dining venue that so immediately and thoroughly had their stuff together as well as Dubuque's new Noodles and Company.

Seriously. Dubuque has waited a long damn time to get a Noodles et. al. around these parts. It's been especially hard since we lost our Fazoli's. So you can bet your fleur-de-lis that when Noodles and Company opened their doors, Dubuque showed up in a big way. But the staff was friendly and attentive without being intrusive, and everything went fast. At one point, I was looking around confused for some lids so we could take our leftovers home. Before I knew it, I had all the lids I needed and a bag with which to tote. So. Fast.

Seating is limited in their location at Wacker Plaza. I went with my partner and our two kids, 12 and almost 2. Two prime ages for eating noodles. When we got there, there wasn't a table open. By the time we were done ordering and I figured we had to get our food to go, the cashier pointed to a table that had magically opened up. So fast! I've eaten at other Noodles and Company locations, so I had some idea of the wait time for food. No kidding, the food was in front of us shortly after we'd filled up our fountain drinks at the Coke Freestyle machine. So fast, it freaked me the hell out. Any of you remember the Albert Brooks movie *Defending Your Life* where in the afterlife, no matter what you order, your food is immediately ready and specially made for you? It was almost like that. We rewarded their efficiency by also being efficient and freeing up the table, pronto. Didn't take but a few seconds after we vacated for that table to be wiped down and ready to go. We didn't feel rushed. We just felt like we were all on the same team. "Other people want to try this, let's help make it happen."

So, this is a big shout out to the team at Noodles and Company. My bar is set sympathetically low for a new restaurant staff ironing out the wrinkles. Noodles took a look at how low my bar is and said, "Come on, dude. Higher. Higher. Higher still. More. Good." And then they leap over the bar easily. Good

job, folks. Consider this the food columnist equivalent of a standing ovation.

The food. Look. I compared this place to Fazoli's, not some classy Italian joint. And that's not a fair comparison either because Noodles serves noodle dishes from many different culinary traditions, not just Italy. Noodles and Company is not trying to be the best noodles you ever had, though there's no shame in that being the case. They're just trying to scratch your noodle itch quickly and effectively. No matter if you're looking for some creamy and flavorful mac & cheese, some thick and toothy udon, or just some damn spaghetti and meatballs, that itch is going to be scratched. So fast. And so good.

First of all, do NOT miss the Korean BBQ meatballs. The sauce has such a rich, deep flavor. So deep that you might not come up for air. And it's not just the sauce; the sauce just carries you through and accompanies you on your voyage through this meaty little morsel. Wonderfully seasoned. Want to know what that flavor is that you can't quite place? That's gochujang, friends. Gochujang. It's been making some big culinary waves here in the States for a few years. Say what you will about America, we eventually come around when it comes to new ingredients. Which bodes well for most apocalyptic scenarios. Anyway, if you're sharing the meatballs with more than one other person, go ahead and get two orders.

The entrees.

Me? I got the Three-Cheese Tortelloni Rosa. Dig this: Tortelloni filled with a blend of ricotta, mozzarella, parmesan, onions, and garlic in spicy tomato cream sauce with mushrooms, roma tomato, spinach, and parmesan. It's got a little heat to it, too. Not even a kick, though. More like playing footsie. It was exactly what I wanted. I love a stuffed pasta dish. Ravioli, tortelloni, tortellini, etc. My eyes immediately start looking for it at any pasta place. Oh! Want to know the difference between tortelloni and tortellini? Tortellini is smaller. You're welcome. I said it was exactly what I wanted. Translation: Itch scratched.

My partner, Annie, ordered the BBQ Chicken Mac. Here's what: Wisconsin Mac & Cheese with grilled chicken, crispy jalapeños, and tangy barbecue sauce. When they talk about "Wisconsin Mac & Cheese," they're talking about another menu item we got for my daughter Lillian, so let me give you the skinny on that, too: A classic blend of cheddar and jack cheeses, cream, and elbow macaroni. Though BBQ chicken always has been and always will be a favorite food of mine, there are places I can't abide it. Like pizza. A BBQ chicken pizza sounds like such a good idea. I've learned that, for me, it's



THREE-CHEESE TORTELLONI ROSA



BBQ CHICKEN MAC



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KOREAN BBQ MEATBALLS

a terrible idea. But take that cheese and chicken and barbecue sauce, and all the fixins and put it on some pasta instead of a flatbread? Hell yeah. Not sure why it works, but it works. Huh. Maybe I just need to make a BBQ mac & cheese pizza.

Anyway.

Wesley, my 12-year-old, specifically requested a pesto dish. I'm such a proud father. Does YOUR pre-teen even know what pesto is, let alone order it instead of spaghetti or mac & cheese? No? That's because my son knows what's up. Who doesn't love a bright, nutty pesto, huh? Enter the Pesto Cavatappi: Cavatappi noodles (the twirly macaroni) in basil pesto cream sauce, garlic, mushrooms, tomato, and parmesan. He got chicken on it. Hell yeah. Another itch scratched.

Let me tell you about something else you might want to mess around with if your taste buds are tougher than the average Dubuquer. There's a seasoning Noodles and Company makes available to their customers called Smolder from Boulder. Not satisfied with the heat level of your food? Try this proprietary spice seasoning blend. My son has been playing around with different spices and seasonings on his food. Another thing I'm proud of. He went straight for the Smolder from Boulder, making it a spicy pesto. Want to add some heat to one of the yummy Asian-inspired dishes? Sriracha sauce is at the ready as well.

But no matter what you get, just trust me on those Korean BBQ meatballs. I've been craving them ever since we tried them. ■



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Dubuque Shakespeare Project: Edward III Discussion

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2 P.M.

The Dubuque Shakespeare Project will focus on Shakespeare's early work in the coming months. "The Making of a Playwright" series will begin with a discussion of *Edward III*, led by Sunil Malapati at the library. This event is free and open to the public. Please join us! Learn more at <https://shakespeare.carnegiestout.org>.

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MOVIE NEWS

Coming Soon

NIGHT SWIM (PG-13)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

Based on the acclaimed 2014 short film. A former major league baseball player persuades his wife that the new home's shimmering backyard swimming pool will be fun for the kids and provide physical therapy for him. But a dark secret in the home's past will unleash a malevolent force that will drag the family under, into the depths of inescapable terror.



THE BOOK OF CLARENCE (PG-13)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Streetwise but down-on-his-luck, Clarence (LaKeith Stanfield) is struggling to find a better life for his family, while fighting to free himself of debt. Captivated by the power and glory of the rising Messiah and His apostles, he risks everything to carve his own path to a divine life and ultimately discovers that the redemptive power of belief may be his only way out.



THE BEEKEEPER (R)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

In *The Beekeeper*, one man's brutal campaign for vengeance takes on national stakes after he is revealed to be a former operative of a powerful and clandestine organization known as "Beekeepers".



MEAN GIRLS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

From the comedic mind of Tina Fey comes a new twist on the modern classic, *Mean Girls*. New student Cady Heron is welcomed into the top of the social food chain by the elite group of popular girls called "The Plastics," ruled by the conniving queen bee Regina George. However, when Cady makes the major misstep of falling for Regina's ex-boyfriend, she finds herself prey in Regina's crosshairs. As Cady sets to take down the group's apex predator with the help of her outcast friends, she must learn how to stay true to herself while navigating the most cutthroat jungle of all: high school. And yes, it's a musical.



Movie Buzz

The Monopoly movie adaptation is still in development at Lionsgate despite a lack of updates over



the past four years and development hell for over a decade. In 2019, an exciting update arrived that Kevin Hart would star in the movie, but that fell apart. The entertainment company announced that it is closing its acquisition of the global content platform eOne from Hasbro. This acquisition means the studio is poised to acquire 6,500 movie and TV titles for its library and the development rights to Hasbro's Monopoly brand. It's unconfirmed if Story or Hart are still involved in the project, so the Monopoly adaptation may need to find yet another director and star to helm it.

Despite rumors of a runtime that was over 3 hours long, A24's upcoming action movie *Civil War* has



had a much shorter runtime revealed at 1 hour and 49 minutes. The longer runtime indicated the movie would be a thorough exploration of a dystopian version of the United States with multiple sides at war with each other. The upcoming war film is directed by Alex Garland, best known for making sci-fi horror movies like *Ex Machina* and *Annihilation*. His latest movie focuses on a group of journalists documenting a growing civil war within the United States, while extremists commit acts of terrorism against one another's groups.

The a first-person survival horror video game *Bendy and the Ink Machine* is now getting the



big screen treatment. The game follows a man named Henry, who was the lead animator at in-game animation house, Joey Drew Studio, and later receives an invitation from Joey Drew himself years later to return to the workshop. The post does not reveal any production details, such as its director, cast, or release date window. Additionally, nothing has been revealed about whether the *Bendy and the Ink Machine* movie will be live-action or animated.

Tom Lake

By John McAndrew

Ann Patchett's new novel, *Tom Lake*, takes place during this latest pandemic but isn't about the pandemic. The circumstances common to so many of us, of being isolated with family or a small circle of friends, serves as the parentheses within which the story unfolds.

Patchett, you may recall, is the addictive award-winning writer of *These Precious Days*, *Bel Canto*, *The Dutch House*, and other works of fiction and nonfiction.

Tom Lake is both a lake and a summer theatre in Michigan where much of the action takes place. Lara and Joe are the parents of three girls on the cusp of adulthood. The pandemic throws them together on the family cherry orchard for the duration. The girls want to hear about when Lara was an actress doing *Our Town* at Tom Lake and dated an actor who would later become a big Hollywood star.

Emily was long certain that movie star Peter Duke was her real father. Maisie is a veterinarian in training whose education was interrupted by the pandemic. Nell wants to be a star, and so

wants to hear of her mother's time in theatre. They work together in the trees at harvest season, picking cherries tart and sweet, listening to Mom's story.

If you've read *Bel Canto*, especially, you know how deftly Patchett binds readers to every character. (If you've not read it, boy, do you have a wonderful experience awaiting you!) No matter how flawed or objectionable they or their behaviors may be, Patchett doesn't throw a character under the bus. You may not like them, but you will *get* them. Along the way, she will also make you laugh out loud, because of a quip, or with delight in a well-written phrase or well-observed foible.

Who are these people, our mother and father? How did they get to be who they are now? Do they have regrets, or are they content, or even happy? Do they have tips for us? Young people trying to figure out the world and their places in it may look to their parents' experiences for clues. What to do or not to do, that is the question.

For those whose stories have been mostly lived already—what do they see when they look back over the road they've traveled? Do they have regrets—or feel like they “just missed getting hit by a train”? How did their decisions reflect or resist the larger culture? Which relationships last? How important is it to find

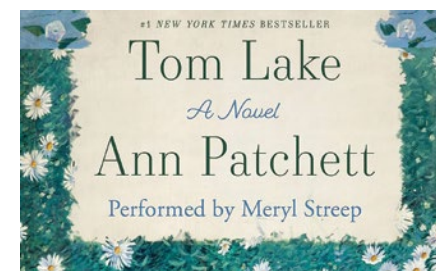
“a place that made the tightness in my chest relax”? It's all mystery. Sometimes small decisions have big consequences; sometimes bumper crops are not the boon we think they will be.

Patchett says, speaking of the work of actors, that “Dancing and singing is all about working your ass off so that people think you just roll out of bed dancing and singing.” Reading Patchett, one may get the impression that she rolls out of bed, dropping perfect sentences on her way to get coffee.

She is simply masterful and makes the telling of compelling stories look effortless, book after book, page after page. She's one of those writers who makes readers think it's all about the gift, not about the discipline, the work, the multiple drafts, the distractions. The result is writing that makes reading deceptively effortless.

She is never pedantic or preachy: a story should be a good story first and foremost and not a lesson with a moral we are obliged to swallow. But, like life, lessons are there if we have the time to look.

“All the world's a stage.” In this case, Thornton Wilder's play is the thing, the scaffolding. A pandemic is yet another great time to consider how to live in a world that regularly interrupts and upends the lives we are living and plans we are



making. We can seek the greatness that everyone on LinkedIn tells us they have created—and you can, too!—but most of us live lives of quiet routine, riding life's waves as best we can. Every life is a play within a novel, with oblique references to other plays, other stories.

Patchett is a wise and articulate observer of the lives we lead or hope to lead, or feel compelled to lead. Regardless of whether our trajectory is great or humble, we need good company to make a good trip. Patchett—and her characters—reliably, memorably provide that. ■

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Immune-Supporting Tips with Help from Seasonal Citrus!

By Hy-Vee Nutritionist Megan Dalsing

The winter season is in full swing, and for many, that means cozy sweaters, indoor activities, and an increased risk of coming down with a cold. But Hy-Vee registered dietitians can help you support your immune system with ideas to incorporate into your daily diet. One of the best ways to support a healthy immune system is to load your meal plan with plenty of produce. And what is at the top of a dietitian's list for winter produce? Tasty seasonal citrus! The citrus group is a great way to add flavor to your winter dishes,

as well as powerful immune-supporting nutrients. A few of our favorites include Cara Cara oranges (slightly lower in acid), Sumo mandarins (easy to peel and snack on), lemons or limes to add a pop of bright flavor to any dish, and classics to munch on such as mandarin oranges and grapefruit.

All these citrus fruits will add great flavor to your dishes, but they also offer a variety of nutrients that can help support a strong immune system throughout the colder season. Here are some of the immune-supporting nutrients found in citrus:

- **Vitamin C.** This water-soluble vitamin is a powerful antioxidant that helps prevent cell damage. It is also important for maintaining healthy skin, which is one of the body's first lines of defense against foreign invaders. Vitamin C has been shown to decrease the length and severity of seasonal colds.
- **Folate.** Folate, a B vitamin, plays an important role in red blood cell formation and healthy cell growth—including those cells that help fight infection.
- **Niacin.** This B vitamin helps the body turn food into usable energy that may be needed to fight off an infection. It also helps keep the digestive system and skin healthy, which are both important parts of the immune system.
- **Vitamin B6.** This water-soluble vitamin is important for keeping both the nervous and immune systems in tip-top shape.

So make sure to stock up on your favorite winter citrus this month to give your immune system the support it needs! For more advice on picking out winter produce or to get more individualized guidance on reaching your health and wellness goals, reach out to your local Hy-Vee dietitian. ■



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SUN 1/14

Almost Famous Dance: Winter Recital

10 AM AND 4 PM @ FIVE FLAGS THEATER
Almost Famous presents their Dyersville show at 10 a.m. followed by the Monticello show at 4 p.m. \$18-\$28. 405 Main St. **563-589-4254**. fiveflagscenter.com.



Memory Boxes w/ DMASWA

1-2 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY
Make a resolution to reduce waste in the new year! Join the Dubuque Metropolitan Area Solid Waste Agency to learn how to keep items out of the landfill and use upcycled materials to create a darling memory box for your most precious keepsakes. Participants may bring their own shoebox or other small box to upcycle for this project. Children must be accompanied by an adult. RSVP by Jan. 11. 360 W 11th St. **563-589-4225**. carnegioustout.org.

SUN 1/28

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra Youth Ensembles Winter Concert

5 PM @ FIVE FLAGS THEATER
The DYSE String Ensemble, Philharmonia, Wind

Ensemble, and Youth Orchestra present their winter concert. The DSYE is an educational outreach program of the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra. \$12 Adults, \$7 ages 12 and younger. 405 Main St. **563-557-1677**. dubuquesymphony.org.

TUE 2/6



Early Explorers: Duck

10-11 AM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM
Programs include a variety of hands-on and active activities, including a craft and a game. Ages 2-5 with parent/caregiver. RSVP suggested. \$10/toddler Non-members; \$8/toddler members; adults free. 350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545 x222**. RiverMuseum.org/early-explorers.

MON 2/12



Dinosaur World Live 4 AND 7 PM

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Choose Something!



By Matt Booth

In a world filled with uncertainty and rapid changes, it's vital to hold onto hope and the power of decisive action. As we navigate through these times, each of us faces the challenge of identifying our next steps. The question stands: What is your positive action for 2024? It could be something as seemingly minor as smiling more, or perhaps it's tackling a more complex issue like addressing sleep apnea. Maybe it's time to reevaluate your diet, stop smoking or drinking, or kickstart a fitness routine. Choose something, set it as your objective, create an event in your calendar app, take action, and make it a part of your routine. Whatever your personal "it" is, now is the moment to choose something and commit to it.

You don't need to be a superhero to make significant changes in your life. Grand achievements like climbing mountains or overcoming extreme adversities are commendable, yes, but the action you take in your daily life is no less significant. It's the small, basic steps that pave the way to a life filled with pride and fulfillment. These fundamental actions determine your future. Each day, take a positive step and witness the transformation in your life.

Stop procrastinating! Discard the distractions and take control. I haven't had a drink for almost three years. For some of you that know me, that might be a shock! It started with me choosing to make a commitment to not drink for one week. I made it, and then said, "What the hell, let's go for a month." I accomplished more in two years of not drinking than I did in the previous 10 years. My future gets brighter with every right decision I choose.

If you are caught in a cycle of procrastination or feel weighed down by trivial matters, it's time to stop the B.S. Put on your "big kid pants" and take control

of your life. Don't wait for the perfect moment, and don't get paralyzed by the fear of making the wrong choice. Now is the perfect time to choose something, take action, and start moving from where you are now to where you want to be.

Living an incredible life is not just a dream; it's a possibility that lies within reach for everyone. It starts with deciding what you want, understanding why you want it, acknowledging the truth of your current situation, and then taking deliberate steps to achieve your goals. This approach is not just about goal setting; it's about goal accomplishment. It's about living with purpose, direction, and a sense of personal power.

So, as you turn the page on 2023 and look towards 2024, remember that your actions, no matter how small, are significant. Your journey towards an incredible life is not marked by giant leaps but by the small, consistent steps you take each day. Embrace the challenge, take action, and start living the life you want. What will you choose for 2024? ■

"Choosing to improve is the first step towards remarkable change. Embrace the journey of growth, one choice at a time, and watch as each small improvement weaves into the tapestry of a basically incredible life." —Matt Booth

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Asbury: Saturday, January 20, 1 PM

History Day: Vikings!



Learn how to write your name in runes, drink (kid-friendly) mead, and dive into

the world of the Vikings with crafts, games, and activities. For All Ages.

Epworth: Saturday, January 27, 10:30 AM

Asbury: Saturday, January 27, 1:30 PM

Interactive Movie: Super Mario Bros.



Get a script and a bag of props to use during the movie to make it come to life!

For All Ages. Registration Required.

Asbury: Monday, January 15, 10 AM-Noon

Peosta: Tuesday, January 16, 5:30-7:30 PM

Holy Cross: Thursday, Jan 18, 5:30-7:30 PM

Riddle Me This



Compete for prizes by solving Two Truths and a Lie trivia! For all ages.

Epworth: Monday, January 15, 1:30 PM

Asbury: Wednesday, January 17, 4:30 PM

Farley: Friday, January 19, 4:30 PM

Snack on Science: Mars Rover



For kids K - 3rd grade. We'll learn about a science topic and do an

experiment we can eat to go along with it. January is the Mars Rover.

Holy Cross: Monday, January 22, 6 PM

Peosta: Tuesday, January 23, 6 PM

Epworth: Wednesday, January 24, 4:30 PM

Asbury: Thursday, January 25, 4:30 PM

Farley: Friday, January 26, 4:30 PM

Culture Club - England



Learn about countries all over the world! Try a snack, do a craft, and play games.

For kids in K - 5th Grade. January's country is England.

Holy Cross: Monday, January 29, 6 PM

Farley: Tuesday, January 30, 4:30 PM

Peosta: Wednesday, January 31, 4:30 PM

Early Out Play



Drop-in between 2:30 - 4:00 for early out fun! Lego, games, crafts & more!

Epworth: Wednesdays, January 10, 17 & 24

Kids Craft Club



Join Miss Kayla for a craft club! For kids K - 5th grade. January's craft is

Shrinky Dink Charm Necklaces.

Holy Cross: Monday, January 8, 6 PM

Epworth: Wednesday, January 10, 4:30 PM

Asbury: Thursday, January 11, 4:30 PM

Peosta: Thursday, January 11, 6 PM

Farley: Friday, January 12, 4:30 PM

Craft Club: Pine Cone Snowy Owls



January's craft is Pine Cone Snowy Owls. Join us for this monthly crafting program.

Registration recommended, drop-ins welcome as supplies last.

Asbury: Monday, January 29, 5:30 PM

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- Asbury 5290 Grand Meadow Dr., 563-582-0008
- Farley Municipal Bldg. 206 1st St N. 563-744-3475

- Epworth - 110 Bierman Road S.E., 563-876-3388
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PUZZLE ANSWERS ON PAGE 21

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

RINGING-IN TUNE

- ACROSS
- 1 Protestant denom.
 - 6 Command
 - 11 Duel weapon
 - 16 Blind — bat
 - 19 Fiji neighbor
 - 20 Acai, for one
 - 21 Peel remover
 - 22 Scanned ID on a pkg.
 - 23 "Is that something that ought to worry me?"
 - 25 Rembrandt or Rubens
 - 27 Arafat's gp.
 - 28 Thurman of the screen
 - 29 With it, once
 - 30 "I Got a Name" singer Jim
 - 31 Patient information document
 - 38 Be a thespian
 - 39 Discount vouchers
 - 40 ER "PDQ!"
 - 41 Wanna- (copycats)
 - 43 Coll. dorm overseers
 - 45 Spanish "a"
 - 46 Young miss
 - 48 "I'm stepping away for just a sec"
 - 52 Actress Bingham
 - 55 "... boy — girl?"
 - 58 Gut-punch response
 - 59 On the whole
 - 60 Embarrassed oneself while singing, in a way
 - 63 Rubs clean
 - 64 Spinning, archaically
 - 65 Peru's — Picchu
 - 66 Suffix with 29-Down
 - 67 Fifth-cen. pope
 - 68 What "etc." means
 - 72 City sections
 - 77 Oversee
 - 79 Android, e.g.
 - 80 Some steel girders
 - 81 Wise up
 - 85 Always the wrong way to go about it
 - 89 With 49-Down, miraculous biblical staff
 - 90 Singer Yoko
 - 91 Science advocate Bill
 - 92 Spa treats for feet, for short
 - 93 Felled
 - 96 Tip of a boot
 - 98 Org. for a periodontist
 - 100 Pigs' hangout
 - 101 Female pig
 - 102 Slithery fish
 - 105 Left on one's plate
 - 108 In what way
 - 110 More so
 - 114 Grads
 - 116 Lyricist Kahn
 - 117 Slugger Maris, to pals
 - 118 Actor Stephen
 - 119 Psyching-out activities

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- 122 Time to sing the tune suggested by the starts of 10 long answers in this puzzle
- 127 Co. name abbr.
- 128 Lott of politics
- 129 Highly skilled
- 130 Sporty car roofs
- 131 Stretch (out)
- 132 Threescore
- 133 Harbors
- 134 Perception
- 24 Carrying out the task
- 26 Span. lady
- 29 Falling star
- 31 Prefix with puncture
- 32 Bend out of shape
- 33 Bicker
- 34 Hush-hush govt. org.
- 35 Hailed ride
- 36 1993-2020 Supreme Court justice, for short
- 37 Dr. Oz's first name
- 42 Over the entire shop, as a sale
- 44 "The — the limit!"
- 47 Lindsay of "Get a Clue"
- 49 See 89-Across
- 50 Stipulations
- 51 Youth org. with dens
- 53 "Permit Me Voyage" author James
- 54 Food dyes
- 56 Shipping dept. stamp
- 57 "Horton Hears —!"
- 60 Notes after mis
- 61 Tax evasion agt.
- 62 Very unusual
- 66 Analogy part
- 69 Tooted thing
- 70 Online auction site
- 71 Thesaurus compiler
- 73 Place — (participate on 70-Down)
- 74 Glow with joy
- 75 German city
- 76 Org. issuing nine-digit IDs
- 78 Final result
- 81 Chatters idly
- 82 Alternative to AOL or NetZero
- 83 Unit equal to about 31 grams
- 84 Astros, on scoreboards
- 85 Tacit "yes"
- 86 Rocker Brian
- 87 People taking oaths
- 88 From 1968 on, for tennis
- 94 A pair of
- 95 Born, in Nice
- 97 "Days of — Lives"
- 99 Pantry pest
- 103 Texas city of song
- 104 One packing things away
- 106 Puts forth
- 107 One little bite
- 109 Nuke, e.g.
- 111 Intermediary
- 112 Like hurricanes
- 113 Cairo's land
- 114 Lady friend, in Le Havre
- 115 Mil. bigwigs
- 120 Meyers of "Dark Horse"
- 121 Tex- —
- 122 Brief sleep
- 123 Martians, e.g.
- 124 History unit
- 125 Corp. execs
- 126 Suffix with Siam

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Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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WHERE'S GENERAL BOB?

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



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MOVE OVER, STEVE!
DIY ADVICE
FROM A MOM WHO KNOWS HOW

BY SARA CARPENTER



Brace for Winter Weather!

Before the storm strikes, make sure your home, office, and vehicles are stocked with the supplies you might need.

At Home and Work

Your primary concerns at home or work during a winter storm are loss of heat, power, and telephone service and a shortage of supplies if storm conditions continue for more than a day. In either place, you should have available:

- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Battery-powered weather radio and/or portable radio to receive emergency information
- Extra food and water such as dried fruit, nuts, granola bars, and other food requiring no cooking or refrigeration
- Extra prescription medicine
- Baby items such as diapers and formula
- First-aid supplies
- Heating fuel: refuel before you are empty; fuel carriers may not reach you for days after a winter storm
- Emergency heat source: fireplace, wood stove, or space heater properly ventilated to prevent a fire
- Fire extinguisher, smoke alarm; test smoke alarms monthly to ensure they work properly
- Extra pet food and warm shelter for pets
- Never run a generator in an enclosed space
- Make sure your carbon monoxide detector is working correctly and that the outside vent is clear of leaves and debris. During or after the storm, make sure it is cleared of snow.

In Vehicles

Each year, on average, more than 5,000 people are killed and more than 418,000 are injured due to weather-related vehicle crashes. If you need to drive in snow

or cold conditions, TAKE IT SLOW IN THE SNOW. Black ice can be difficult to see. If the temperature is near freezing, drive like you're on ice—you may be!

Before you leave the house, especially before a longer trip in winter, make sure all fluid levels are full and ensure that the lights, heater, and windshield wipers are in proper condition. Keep your gas tank near full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines. Avoid traveling alone. Let someone know your timetable and primary and alternate routes. Then look up the latest traffic and road incidents, including construction and weather conditions and restrictions. Check before you leave; it might change your plans!

Fully check and winterize your vehicle before the winter season begins.

Carry a winter storm survival kit that includes the following:

- Mobile phone, charger, batteries
- Blankets/sleeping bags.
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- First-aid kit
- Knife
- High-calorie, non-perishable food
- Extra clothing to keep dry.
- Large empty can to use as emergency toilet, tissues, toilet paper and paper towels.
- Small can and waterproof matches to melt snow for drinking water.
- Sack of sand or cat litter for traction
- Shovel
- Windshield scraper and brush
- Tool kit
- Tow rope
- Battery booster cables
- Water container
- Candle and matches to provide light and in an emergency, lifesaving heat
- Compass and road maps don't depend on mobile devices with limited battery life

Source: [weather.gov/safety/winter-before](https://www.weather.gov/safety/winter-before)

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DEAR ANGELA,

It's a new year, but I'm still feeling like the old me. Several of my friends and family have "made intentions," planned their life around a "word of the year," or started "working out." I've never been one to make goals for myself, but this year, everyone else seems to have their lives figured out.

I already feel like a failure, and 2024 has only just begun. What can I do?
—Lacking Resolve on Roosevelt

DEAR LACKING,

It's so hard to see others succeeding when your life is clearly in shambles. Things are going great for me, so I don't need to set resolutions, and my word of the year is always "Awesome." Because of this, I do understand your feeling of being left out but in the totally opposite way. Look, you really seem like a lost hope. If you can't handle yourself at your best, then I guess you deserve yourself at your worst. I suppose you could replace a New Year's Resolution with irresolutions. Your intent should be to spend 2024 transforming yourself into the worst, most rat-brained self possible. Stop brushing your hair and your teeth, go find the leftover pizza in your fridge, and settle in on the pile of clothes that you've stopped folding and turned into a couch nest. Watch eight hours of murder shows, then do it all over again the next day!

DEAR ANGELA,

It's time to break up with my boyfriend, and I know it. There is one thing that is keeping me from doing so, and it's his dog, Layla. She is such a fun dog, and I spend way more time with her than my boyfriend does. Am I crazy for staying in a lame relationship because of a pet?
—Dog Crazy on Denver Court

DEAR DOG,

I'm glad you know it's time to end the relationship; that's an important step towards growth, so good for you! It's also great to see you recognize what's really important in life, and that's the things you love. Ok, so I am not advocating stealing, that would be terrible. But, what if... the dog just happened to follow you out the door, and then when your ex calls, you simply happen to be busy every time, and you just happen to key his truck, and you just happen to avoid him when he knocks at the door and says, "I know you are both in there. I can hear Layla barking." Seems like a win-win to me because you get out of the relationship, and keep the dog, while your boyfriend will go on to have a moderately successful career writing country songs. It's inevitable!

DEAR ANGELA,

I have a friend who I'm a bit concerned about. Our whole friend group has really gotten on board with making some positive changes this year. Well, everyone except "Travis." He seems to be uninterested in our group workouts, acts very reluctant about choosing a word of the year, and hasn't responded to our group Facebook invite for a formal goal setting event we have planned for next week. What can I do to motivate him?
—Motivating on Mount Pleasant

DEAR MOTIVATING,

I think your best bet would be to start small. Invite him over to watch some *Unsolved Mysteries* but when he shows up, lure him back outside with a pizza. Start walking away with a slice. Slowly, remember! Then gradually increase your speed until he is running after you to get at that piece of pepperoni pizza. After he eats, ask him to say a word, any word. It may take him a few minutes to respond, but eventually he might? Whatever he says will be his word of the year. You'll need to repeat this each week until he has gotten into the routine. Good luck!

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ARIES

(APR 19–MAY 13)

It'll be kind of bittersweet to have a crater named after you, but at least you'll make an impact.



TAURUS

(MAY 14–JUNE 19)

Now that you know you're getting new luggage as a gift, you'll finally be able to close that case.



GEMINI

(JUNE 20–JULY 20)

Yearning for a certain vampiric Muppet will leave you down for the Count.



CANCER

(JULY 21–AUG 9)

An uneven pour and a spelling error will leave you crying over split milk.



LEO

(AUG 10–SEP 15)

It's time to throw in the towel. And set it to wash on hot. It hasn't been washed in weeks, sicko.



VIRGO

(SEP 16–OCT 30)

Maybe you can't judge a book by its cover, but saying that to the art department at a publishing house is just mean.



LIBRA

(OCT 31–NOV 22)

Now's the time to explore your curious side. True, it is said that curiosity killed the cat, but whoever said that obviously knew nothing about cats.



SCORPIO

(NOV 23–NOV 29)

If something turns out to not be your cup of tea, well... it is

now. Nobody wants that tea after you put your filthy mouth on it. Has COVID taught you nothing?



OPHIUCHUS

(NOV 30–DEC 17)

As a heads up, call "tails" on all flips of the coin. Wait. Maybe you're supposed to watch your tail by picking "heads"? I don't know. Maybe just avoid coin flips for a while.



SAGITTARIUS

(DEC 18–JAN 8)

Things may turn violent at your favorite bakery, but hey... you got a roll with the punches.



CAPRICORN

(JAN 9–FEB 15)

When life puts a chip on your shoulder, make nachos. By that I mean you should explain to those you have hurt that "the fault is nachos, but mine."



AQUARIUS

(FEB 16–MAR 11)

Get ready for some quality time with those you love. Also, remember that "depressing" is technically a quality.



PISCES

(MAR 12–APR 18)

Looks like there's no "if," "and," or "but" about it. Luckily, nobody said anything about "presuming," "also," and "however."

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