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Notes from the Publisher... **Fostering ideas, conversations and arguments.**



We just got out of town for a night to go see Green Day and The Smashing Pumpkins with Rancid and the Linda Lindas at American Family Field in Milwaukee. We had tickets to Green Day's Hella Mega Tour in 2020 that was bumped to 2021 due to COVID but never ended up going as things weren't really quite settled from COVID just yet, and Christy wasn't comfortable with the crowd (not that she ever likes a big crowd). So, we gave the tickets to friends. Well, it's round two, and this time we were good to go... or were we?

It turns out, we're pretty old, or so we feel. We picked out tickets specifically because we wanted a comfy seat for the five-plus hour event, and the last thing we wanted to do was stand up for the whole thing. I mean, I love the music, but come on. So, we got seats similar to where we had tickets to see the Foo Fighters at Wrigley Field in Chicago, right by the third baseline dugout with the stage in the center of the outfield. The infield was fenced off so no one could walk there. Well, this time our ticket sightlines were a lot worse than they were at Wrigley. This is most likely due to the fact that Wrigley is a magical place where dreams come true, and the no-longer Miller Park is... well, not.

The biggest perk to the seats was that the guys from Green Day and at least guitarist James Iha were hanging out and watching the opening bands from the dugout next to us, so we kept seeing them pop their heads up or step out onto the field for some selfies which was fun. But I think the stage show would have been a lot more fun from a higher vantage point.

My polite and reserved library-designing wife is actually a massive 2000s-era emo punk music fan, so of all the bands, she was actually most excited to see the gruff looking guys from the band Rancid do their thing, and they did not disappoint. We wish their set could have been longer. Even after seeing Green Day, the Rancid song "Ruby Soho" was the one stuck in my head the next day.

The ultimate insult to my creaky old knees was that once Green Day hit the

stage, everyone in the ballpark, even in our section far from the stage, was on their feet. And they stayed on their feet for over two hours. Well, not everyone, but the people right in front of us certainly never sat down all night. So that was awesome. Luckily, I could see the jumbotrons in between them even when I took sitting breaks. But I'm glad that they enjoyed the show for all of us. Yeah, I'm old and grumpy, but hey, I sat back here for a reason. So we didn't love that so much.

What I did love was that our hotel had a shuttle to and from the show, and man, that was the best thing ever. Fifteen minutes after the show, we were on the shuttle and on our way back. Compared to paying \$35 to park a half mile from the park in your own car and fighting that traffic, this made our hotel investment so much more valuable. Even if our otherwise very nice room smelled like it may have possibly been the scene of recent a murder by cologne overdose. I think someone was doing pitching practice against the wall with bottles of Brut by Febergé. My poor wife who is very bothered by strong fragrances was at least tired enough after the show that she just suffered through it. But I could still smell the room on my stuff after we got home. Only the glory of that concert shuttle saved them in my book.

In the end, I feel like I'm kind of done with stadium shows. To get close enough to enjoy seeing the band themselves and not just the screens and the light show, you have to subject yourself to the frantic energy of people half your age and with 10 times your energy. And no matter what you spend, unless you can get a seat in row one of a section, there is no guarantee you'll actually get to kick back and just watch and listen to the show. Or, I guess we have to stick to seeing bands where everyone else in the crowd is probably at least as old as us and just as interested in sitting down after the first song.

But that's nothing against Green Day. Their performance and the whole production was simply amazing. They played two of their most classic albums, *Dookie* and *American Idiot*, in their entirety. And yes, *Dookie* is 30 years old. THIRTY YEARS OLD! How did that happen? The years are flying by. So, I guess I should shut up and just go enjoy my favorite bands while I still can and, more importantly, while they still can. I just need a nap and some ibuprofen... if only I could take ibuprofen. At least I was able to sit between sets and, of course, enjoy a \$12 brat with a \$6 bottle of water! That's rock and roll, baby! ■

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Premiere Screening of Rally Caps film, Book Signing, Historic Game of Catch

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 @ 3 PM
FIELD OF DREAMS MOVIE SITE
(28995 LANSING RD, DYERSVILLE, IA)

On Saturday, Aug. 31, the Field of Dreams Movie Site hosts the premiere screening of *Rally Caps*, autographs with former Major Leaguer Curtis Pride, a book signing with Ethan Bryan, a baseball clinic, and the largest game of catch ever played at the movie site.

Rally Caps, starring Judd Hirsch, Amy Smart, and Carson Minniear, tells the story of a youth baseball player who has his dreams of pitching for a little league travel team derailed by a devastating injury on the field. After a long recovery, he goes off to away camp with his

older brother where he befriends a deaf catcher and his sister. Based on their own experiences living with a disability, they help him overcome his anxiety and fear of returning to the mound. The film will be screened at 8 p.m. following a question-and-answer session with writer and director Lee Cipolla and the film's producers at 7:30 p.m. Also participating will be actors Minniear, James "Coach Ballgame" Lowe, Colten Pride, and Noelle Pride.

The event kicks off with an autograph session featuring Curtis Pride, the first full-season deaf player in Major League Baseball's modern era. He will be available to take photos and sign autographs at 3 p.m. That will be followed by a book signing by Ethan Bryan, author of *A Year of Playing Catch: What a Simple Daily Experiment Taught Me about Life* at 4 p.m. A sandlot clinic will be led by Coach Ballgame at 5 p.m. At 6:30 p.m., all guests will be invited onto the field to take part in the largest game of catch ever played at the Field of Dreams Movie Site.

The events are free. For more information, visit FieldOfDreamsMovieSite.com.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 @ 2-5 PM
STEEPLE SQUARE (101 E 15TH ST)

In response to the recent layoffs at John Deere Dubuque Works and Duluth Trading, the Greater Dubuque Development Corporation, in partnership with IowaWORKS, is hosting an **AccessDubuqueJobs.com** Hiring Fair on Thursday, Sept. 5, at 2-5 p.m. at Steeple Square.

This hiring fair is a critical component of regional rapid response efforts to assist workers impacted by recent layoffs. John Deere Dubuque Works announced layoffs in July and August, impacting 133 workers, including 34 salaried employees and 99 production workers. Additionally, Duluth Trading in Dubuque announced on Aug. 22, 2024, that 74 workers will be impacted, with terminations beginning on Oct. 27, 2024.

Up to 50 regional employers will be in attendance, representing a wide array of industries including manufacturing, financial and insurance services,

warehouse logistics, administrative, IT, and more. These employers are offering opportunities that range from entry-level to professional careers, providing something for job seekers at every stage of their career journey.

"Supporting our community through these challenging times is our top priority," said Rick Dickinson, President & CEO at Greater Dubuque Development Corporation. "The goal of the **AccessDubuqueJobs.com** hiring fair is to connect displaced workers with new employment opportunities as quickly as possible, helping our friends and neighbors transition smoothly to their next opportunity in the Greater Dubuque region."

In addition to the opportunity to meet with potential employers, attendees will have access to organizations offering services and information for job seekers. Attendees can connect with Northeast Iowa Community College for training and upskilling opportunities, Crescent Community Health Center for health insurance information and healthcare resources, and various resources from IowaWORKS, including veterans career planning and reemployment services.

For questions and more information, call Greater Dubuque Development at **563-557-9049**. Job seekers are encouraged to visit **AccessDubuqueJobs.com** in advance of the event to review the 1,000+ career opportunities currently posted to this regional job board.

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WASHINGTON PARK (700 LOCUST ST)

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The festival closes out on Sept. 6 with Birds., Hibachi Time, Dinger's D'Lite's, Magoo's Pizza, and Bob & Lou's and music by Sarah Day.

Hosted by Dubuque Main Street and sponsored by MidWestOne Bank, the events are free to attend. For more information, visit DubuqueMainStreet.com. ■

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SEPTEMBER 6-8

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Platteville Dairy Days 2024 will be LegenDairy Cheeseheads! Get ready for three days of fun on Sept. 6-8. Daily events include carnival rides, fair food and beverages.

The weekend starts Friday with a Tri-County Mini Rods and fantasy Truck Pull and Dairy-Oke contest.

Saturday brings the junior and open exhibits, parade down Main Street, dairy cattle show, Moo Mania Comedy Show, Hypnotist Brian Imbus, Elvis tribute artist Tony Rocker & The Comeback Special, and Sarah Day.

Close things out on Sunday with United Methodist Church service featuring Alive Band, Goats in place, The Wundos, Dairy & Meat Goat Show, Raffle Drawing, and Dairy Days Pedal Tractor Pull

Platteville Dairy Days supports and promotes the agriculture community of the City of Platteville and surrounding area. They provide agriculture education to the public and promote public awareness of the community.

For more information, visit PlattevilleDairyDays.com. ■

Muster on the Maquoketa

SEPTEMBER 6-8

JACKSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
(1212 E QUARRY ST, MAQUOKETA, IA)

Muster on the Maquoketa is the first annual county-wide Civil War Reenactment sponsored by the Jackson County Historical Society. Enjoy an Evening with General Grant on Sept. 6, reenactments on Sept. 7 and 8, and a Supper and Ball on Sept. 7.

"Unconditional Surrender: a visit from Ulysses S. Grant" is a one-man show by historian Pete Grady. It is a humorous and touching portrayal of the life and times of the general who won the Civil War for the Union.

During the Supper and Ball, "Stephen Foster" will take the stage playing some of his well-known songs. The Swedish Nightingale, "Jenny Lind," follows with several numbers. Local favorites the Black Velvet Band will then finish off the evening playing music from the Civil War Era. Food by Brian Bramer includes baked chicken or pork loin, potato, green beans, roll, and apple crisp or peach cobbler.

Jackson County contributed mightily to the efforts of the Union in the Civil War. In the presidential election in 1860, Jackson County cast 3,021 votes for president. During the following two years according to the adjutant general's report, the county furnished 1,288 men to put down the rebellion, or upward of 40% of the population of the county.

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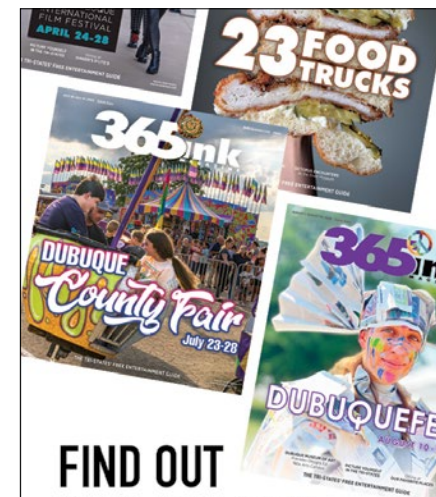
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Twisted River of Temptation: Led by Lead into Sin in Sinsinawa

7:30 PM @ LORAS COLLEGE ST. JOSEPH AUDITORIUM

In this comedic melodrama, ambitious and cunning villain Louis Button attempts to save his lead shot factory by seizing control of Julie Ann Dubois' valuable mine... and her heart. Set in the riverside city of Dubuque, the play intricately weaves a tale of power, deception and unlikely alliances. Full of Loras-spirited humor and wordplay! Will the nuns Sinsinawa keep Julie Ann safe? Will debauched drunkards of Dubuque stop the villainous Button? Will Officer Noble and Deputy Dan get their act together? Will Nathaniel Goodfellow capture an elusive seat in the Catholic Traditions course? The biennial Faculty/Staff Play is a popular, long-standing Loras College tradition. The productions raise money for the college's Faculty-Staff

Scholarship for students. *Twisted River of Temptation: Led by Lead into Sin in Sinsinawa* was originally produced by Loras faculty and staff in 2012, the first script of a trilogy by Kyle and Stephanie Klapataukas for their alma mater. The production is supported by the Loras Players. Doors at 7 p.m. Non-Students: \$10; Students: \$5. 1450 Alta Vista St. lorasplayers.yolasite.com.

FRI 8/30

**Underground Sound Blues Trio**

6:30-9:30 PM @ STONE CLIFF WINERY STAR EVENT ROOM

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Manny's is donating a portion of proceeds to Riverview Center. The celebration will include silent auction items from local businesses, a 50/50 raffle, entertainment, and awareness and education materials about Riverview Center's services. For 32 years, Riverview Center has proudly provided the healing and justice survivors of sexual violence deserve, free of charge. Suggested donation: \$30. **563-557-0310**. riverviewcenter.org.

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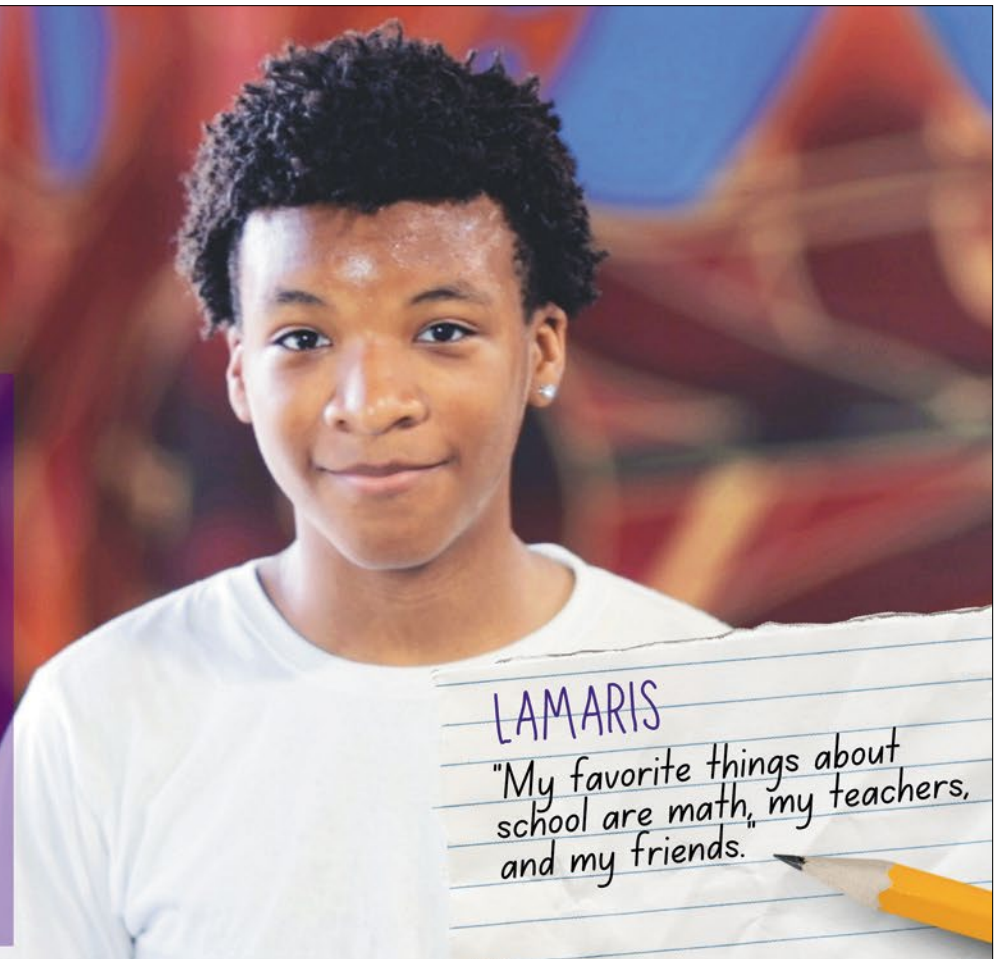
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The Dubuque Fighting Saints return for another season at ImOn Arena on Schmitt Island. Two preseason games at the arena preface the Sept. 27 opening night. With the puck drop at 7:05 p.m. both nights, the Saints will take on the Cedar Rapids RoughRiders on Sept. 7 and Chicago Steel on Sept. 13.

Key home dates on the schedule include Opening Night on Sept. 27 against Tri-City, the first matchup of the season with Waterloo on Oct. 5 and playoff rematches. Dubuque hosts Youngstown for two games on Jan. 3 and 4 before Fargo visits on Jan. 31. The Saints host the Muskegon Lumberjacks



on March 7 and 8 in a rematch of the 2024 Eastern Conference Final.

Single game tickets start at \$13 with season tickets and flex plans also available. For tickets and more information, visit DubuqueFightingSaints.com. ■



of the Dubuque Regional Humane Society (DRHS), share stories of compassion and transformation, and celebrate our extraordinary community. All this, and more, while raising critical funds to ensure that lost, abandoned, and unwanted animals have brighter futures on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 5:30 p.m. at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium.

The night begins with a silent auction, followed by delicious cuisines from a variety of food stations, a dynamic live auction and concludes with the renowned Paws Up. This evening out is sure to be filled with joy as we also celebrate the DRHS and its achievements throughout the year.

For tickets and more information, call DRHS at **563-582-6766** or visit DBQhumane.org. ■

Tails at Twilight Gala

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 5:30 PM
NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM (350 E 3RD ST)

The Tails at Twilight Gala is an exciting evening that brings together old friends and new to revel in the life-saving mission

Dubuque United Nations International Day of Peace

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 @ 7 PM
LORAS COLLEGE ALUMNI CAMPUS CENTER (1450 ALTA VISTA ST)

A panel discussion will be held at the Loras College Alumni Campus Center on Thursday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. for the Dubuque United Nations International Day of Peace.

Panel members include Gina Bell (City of Dubuque Sustainability Coordinator), Eric Anglada (Environmental Justice),



Dr. Andrea Bixler (Clarke University), and Catholic Ethical Purchasing Alliance staff.

Since its 1981 inception, the United Nations International Day of Peace has marked humanity's personal and planetary progress toward peace. The theme of this year's 33rd anniversary in Dubuque is "Environmental Justice: Ways To Navigate This Changing World."

The event is free. For more information, visit facebook.com/dbqdayofpeace. ■

FRI 9/6

36th Annual Dubuque Dragon Boat Festival

8 AM-5 PM @ MILLER RIVERVIEW PARK 9/6-9/8. Drawing teams from multiple states and even up to Ontario, Canada, 40 foot long boats, shaped like dragons and holding 21 people, race on the mighty Mississippi. Racing will occur all day on Saturday and Sunday with an additional breast cancer ceremony on Sunday. This year's theme is Miniature Golf Course. Hosted by the Dubuque Dragon Boat Association. 1851 Admiral Sheehy Dr. DubuqueDragonBoat.org.

Honey Tasting & Mixology Class

2:30-4:30 PM @ CHAMPAGNE ON MAIN (GALENA, IL) Learn from Dry Creek Beekeeping about how bees make honey and get to sample unique honeys with a variety of colors, flavors,

aromas, and textures. Then learn from the mixology experts at Champagne on Main how to craft three custom cocktails/mocktails using the honeys from the tasting. Samples will be provided of each drink. Ages 21+. \$50. 116 S Main St, Galena, IL **815-297-3366**. drycreekbeekeeping.com.

The Avery Foundation 7th Annual Founders Gala

5-9 PM @ GRAND RIVER CENTER This signature event promises an unforgettable evening filled with meaningful moments, heartfelt connections, and opportunities to support our mission of assisting those affected by cancer. Enjoy a keynote speech by Jeffrey Johnston, a silent and live auction, and a delightful dinner. Drinks during cocktail hour and sit-down dinner are included. All proceeds from ticket sales directly benefit The Avery Foundation

and its mission to support individuals and families affected by cancer. \$100. 500 Bell St. **563-513-9801**. averyfndtn.org.

**Platteville Historic Re-enactment**

MOUND VIEW PARK (PLATTEVILLE, WI) 9/6-9/8. Held since 1998, the 3-day Platteville Historic Re-enactment showcases the history of America's Upper Mississippi Valley from the mid-1700s to 1840, featuring educators, artisans, and re-enactors all taking part in the celebration. Featuring the Voyageur Camp, military demonstrations, Native American storytelling, blacksmithing, and a silent auction. All ages. Free. 950 E Madison St. Platteville, WI. mining.jamison.museum.

SAT 9/7

**3rd Annual Romantic Galena Reads**

10 AM-3 PM @ DESOTO HOUSE HOTEL (GALENA, IL) In attendance will be around 30 romance authors from all over the country, including best-selling and award-winning authors of every romance genre—contemporary, historical, suspense, Western, paranormal, and more—everything from sweet to steamy. Attending authors include Aleatha Romig, Ashley Jade, Tia Louise, Jade Lee, Greta Rose West, Tracy Solheim, Melissa Haag, Skye Malone, Diane Wiggs, Sara, Whitney, and many more. Author Nancy Naigle, who has had many of her books made into Hallmark movies, will be there. Cover models Robert Kelly

and Katie Marie will also be in attendance. Free. 230 S Main St, Galena, IL. **715-651-4765**. wilddeadwoodreads.com/galena.

Wild Harvest Dinner

5:30 PM @ WHITEWATER CANYON WILDLIFE AREA (BERNARD, IA) Staff from DCC will guide you around Whitewater Canyon Wildlife Area, one of only three true canyons in the State of Iowa, as they point out the geological formations that date back 450 million years ago. Wander through caves, forests, and prairies on a 1.5 mile loop, stopping along the way to enjoy a variety of small dishes and drinks that were inspired by and made with plants, fruits, mushrooms, herbs, and nuts that were all sustainably collected from the Dubuque area throughout the winter, spring, and summer months. \$75. 29912 9th Ave, Bernard, IA. **563-556-6745**. dubuquecountyiowa.gov/conservation.

Night at the Farm: Cows, Wine & Charcuterie

6-8 PM @ BERNING ACRES (EAST DUBUQUE, IL) A VIP event hosted by Matt and Natalie Berning along with their amazing crew. Begin in the farm shop with beverages and farm intro. Then, head out and about to tour the farm and interact with the animals. So many new opportunities or experiences to be had—milk a cow, give a calf her bottle, help with farm chores by feeding a farm friend (goat, sheep, pig, or pony). Lots of opportunities for photo ops along the way, and playtime with the goats and other animals if you'd like. Finally, wrap it up back in the shop for a view of the sunset over the farm with your own complimentary charcuterie boat featuring a variety of locally sourced cheeses while sipping on a beverage. \$65. 8850 N Menominee Rd, East Dubuque, IL. **563-543-8936**. berningacres.com/visit.

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Join Vesperman Farms for their fall season, open daily Sept. 21–Oct. 27. Weekday hours are noon–7 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.–7 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Celebrating the fall in a big way is the corn maze, a 5-acre plot of twists and turns in the corn. Each year features a new design. The mini maze is an easier option for younger children. A variety of activities include tire mountain, duck races, trebuchet and air cannon pumpkin launch, and more. Stay for a meal with a brisket sandwich, loaded baked potatoes, apple cider donuts, and even homemade ice cream!

Online daily admission is \$12.49 per person or pay \$14.49 at the



gate. Ages 4 and under are free. Season passes are available online for \$29.99. For more information, visit VespermanFarms.com. ■

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Fall 2024 Dubuque Wedding & Bridal Expo

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 @ 1-3 PM
STEEPLE SQUARE (101 E 15TH ST)

The Fall 2024 Dubuque Wedding & Bridal Expo will be held on Sunday, Sept. 22, at Steeple Square from 1 to 3 p.m. The event is open to the public and free to attend.

The Dubuque Bridal Expo, in partnership with Zazous Bridal Boutique and Tuxedos, Steeple Square, Absolute Music, Posh Salon & Spa, Willow & Ivy Design, Complete Weddings & Events, and Basket Case Galena will host 50-plus exhibitors ranging from attire (men's and women's formal wear and casual wear, including shoes and accessories), jewelry, salon and spas, planning and coordination, venues, catering, bakery and desserts, florists, decor, photography, videography, photo booths, DJs, hotels, favors and gifts, wineries and breweries, offi-ciants, entertainment, and more. Zazou's

runway show begins at 1:30 p.m. with prize drawings and giveaways at 3 p.m.

Experience the ultimate experience with the VIP Wed We Will Be package, offering an exclusive, high-value experience for just \$30. Check-in begins at 11:30 a.m., and doors open at noon for only 50 VIP-registered brides, grooms, and their designated guests. This premium package includes early entry for the bride or groom and two guests, a personalized lanyard, and a suite of delightful perks: a signature scent from Scent Workshop Galena, a refreshing signature drink from Backpocket Dubuque, a complimentary fresh flower from Willow & Ivy Design, a sweet treat from Kristen's Sweet Creations, and coffee and tea from Galena Roasters. Additionally, enjoy entry into a VIP-only prize drawing and an extra chance to win in the Grand Prize Drawings. Each VIP also receives a Zazou's tote bag packed with exclusive gifts, promotions, and discounts. Plus, VIPs don't have to be present to win Grand Prize giveaways, ensuring you can enjoy all the benefits with added convenience.

For VIP tickets and more information, visit DBQBridalExpos.com. ■

SUN 9/8



Transform Your Garden: Native Seed Conservation Workshop

3 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY

This workshop by Dubuque County Conservation is perfect for anyone looking to support local biodiversity, enhance their gardening skills, and contribute to the conservation of native plant species. Attendees will learn about native plants for urban environments, seed collection basics, and how to begin their own seed-starting process this winter—the first step toward having a thriving native plants garden in the spring. Families are welcome to attend. Ages 18+. RSVP required. 360 W 11th St. **563-589-4225 x2224**. carnegioustout.org/events.



NAMI Dubuque Sunset Community Walk

Be one of our #508 to remember the 508 lost to suicide in 2023

2nd Annual Sunset Community Walk

6-8 PM @ UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE TRACK & FIELD

Join NAMI Dubuque for their second annual suicide awareness community walk. Get a team together and take a mile lap around the track. In 2023, 508 lives were lost to suicide in the state of Iowa. This year, NAMI Dubuque is looking for 508 walkers to raise awareness for each life lost year. Opening remarks at 6:30 p.m. Sunset walk at 6:45 p.m. The event is a non-competitive walk to raise awareness and share space. \$25. 2000 University Ave. namidubuque.org/events.

TUE 9/10



Mid-Century Modern Architecture in Dubuque County

6 PM @ DUBUQUE COUNTY LIBRARY PEOSTA/NICC BRANCH (PEOSTA, IA)

The mid-20th century was a time of technological innovation and unprecedented growth in the American economy and population. The distinctive architecture of the 1940s-60s reflects these changes and the era's emerging values, including new ideas of what it meant to live the American Dream. Today, these buildings serve as a physical connection to an important period in our history. This presentation gives an overview of the types of mid-century buildings that can be found in Dubuque County, and the

characteristics to look for in identifying them. Presented by Tricia Baum, a commissioner of the Dubuque County Historic Preservation Commission. 8342 NICC Drive Peosta, IA. **612-501-9747**. stew0220@umn.edu.

FRI 9/13



Over the Edge

11 AM @ MIDWESTONE BANK

Over the Edge is a community-wide event that helps fundraise to impact thousands of lives across the Tri-States, benefitting United Way of Dubuque Area Tri-States. Community members edge or rappel off the 13-story MidWestOne Bank building in downtown Dubuque. Enjoy the party on the ground outside the bank which includes music, yard

games, awards, food trucks, and a beverage tent. 895 Main St. dbqunitedway.org/over-the-edge.



3rd Annual JDIFF Bushwood Classic

12:30 PM @ BUNKER HILL GOLF COURSE

The third annual *Caddyshack*-themed JDIFF Bushwood Classic is an 18-hole scramble featuring a raffle, silent auction, and dinner plus fun surprises throughout the course. Best of all, it supports the Julien Dubuque International Film Festival. Dress in your *Caddyshack* best, as prizes will be given for best attire. Includes golf fees, cart, and dinner. Grab 'n go lunch options available for purchase. \$150/person, \$500/foursome. 2200 Bunker Hill Rd. julienfilmfest.com.



Italian Stromboli Coking Class

6-7:30 PM @ GALENA ARC (GALENA, IL)

Instructor Lynn Kaufman from Lynnies' Kitchen will guide you in learning how to create this delicious recipe: homemade dough stuffed with sauce and your choice of Italian meats and cheeses, and fresh herbs. Ready to take home and bake for your family dinner or gathering. Please indicate on registration form if you want regular or gluten-free stromboli. Bring your favorite wine, beer, or beverage to enjoy during class. Sign up as a team of two or as a single student and make the dish on your own. \$45. 11084 W US HWY 20, Galena, IL. **815-777-2248**. galenaarc.org.

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SAT 9/14



2nd Annual Septemberfest Curds & Brats Festival

1 PM @ SPLINTER PARK
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30th Annual Cemetery Walk

1-4:30 PM @ OLD CITY CEMETERY (GALENA, IL)

9/14-9/15 at 1-4:30 p.m. at Old City Cemetery. 9/20 at 7 p.m. at Galena CFA. Performers of the Cemetery Walk will be exploring the rugged lives of early settlers, sharing stories of prosperity and the challenges of intersecting cultures, politics, war, and slavery. The Cemetery Walk is one of the Galena-Jo Daviess County Historical Society's major fundraising events. A team of researchers, actors and supporters put countless hours of preparation into each year's walk to create a remarkable experience. The Old City Cemetery performances are outside. The indoor performance at Galena Center for the Arts opens at 6:30 p.m. \$20. 815-777-9129. galenahistorymuseum.org.

SUN 9/15

Brew Ha Ha Players Present: Murder at the Fish Fry Club

5-7 PM @ STONE CLIFF WINERY

A night of mystery and intrigue in the wild and romantic era of the roaring '20s! Buzz Nessman, the owner of Dubuque's most popular speakeasy—the Fish Fly Club—has just been murdered. Was it the prohibitionist NA O'Doul or Buzz's jealous business

partner Bootleg Willie? Maybe it was the jazz singer Bea Sharpe or perhaps Betty Jane—Buzz's sweet-but-not-so-innocent mistress. Join the bumbling detective, Jack Slickman, as the murder unfolds before your very eyes. Includes a four "corpse" meal and a show. \$85. RSVP by Aug. 7. 600 Star Brewery Dr. 563-583-6100. stonecliffwinery.com.

MON 9/16

Self-Defense Class

5:30-7 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY

New graduates and young adults age 17+ are invited to attend a free self-defense class with instructor Eryka Cook. This class is perfect for college students, high school seniors, or anyone just getting started on their own. Instructor Eryka Cook is a black belt in Karate and has been teaching self-defense for more than 20 years. She will guide participants through various exercises to boost confidence and build physical self-defense skills. All ability levels are welcome. Ages 17+. RSVP required. Free. 360 W 11th St. 563-589-4225 x2224. carnegiestout.org.

TUE 9/17

Shalom Fall Breakfast

7:30-8:30 AM @ SHALOM SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Begin celebrating fall by joining friends, old and new, for Shalom's seasonal breakfast. The food will be wonderful and the spirit refreshing. Join guest presenter, local activist Eric Anglada for a short reflection called, "Connecting Soil and Soul." Eric will delve into the spirituality and practical care for the living world that is in desperate need of attention. Healing the land heals ourselves. Healing ourselves is healing the land. Drawing upon his 15 years of experience living on Catholic Worker farms, Eric will present several practices

for being a beneficial presence within the living world and invite us to deepen your relationship with creation. RSVP by Sept. 13. \$15. 1001 Davis St. 563-582-3592. ShalomRetreats.org.

City Life for Marshallese Residents

VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE

City Life is the City of Dubuque's fun, free, and interactive course on local government. By participating in City Life, you'll have the opportunity to learn more about City operations and services that make Dubuque a great place to live. Through presentations, tours, and conversations with neighbors you'll see taxpayer investments at work and be able to share your thoughts. This edition will be in Marshallese for our Marshallese residents. RSVP required. Free. 563-589-4180. cityofdubuque.org/citylife.

WED 9/18



Museum X: William M. Black - Behind the Scenes Tour

5:30-7:30 PM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER

MUSEUM & AQUARIUM Spend an evening aboard the William M. Black, a National Historic Landmark! Explore and discover the rich history of this remarkable vessel. This tour offers a unique opportunity to delve into its significance in maritime history. Program begins at 5:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be offered. Due to the nature of the vessel, this event is not ADA accessible. Members: Free; Non-members: \$10. 350 E 3rd St. 563-557-9545 x220. rivermuseum.com/events.



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FRI 9/20



32nd Annual Guttenberg Germanfest

3 PM @ 600 S RIVER PARK DR, GUTTENBERG, IA
9/20 at 3 p.m., 9/21 at 8:30 a.m. Yeah, it's a bit out of town, but it's well worth the drive. Open-air festival market, festival tent, and biergarten, dinners, dances, stein contests, German music, wiener dog races, and more. GuttenbergIa.net/Germanfest.

Horsemen's Gathering

6-9 PM @ DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
9/20 at 6-9 p.m., 9/21 at 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Jodi & KT Invite You to shop numerous vendors with equine tack and supplies, riding gear, equine and farm services,

western fashions, country home décor, and more. The bar and food stand will also be open so you can get some refreshments and snacks while you shop. \$2. 14569 Old Highway Rd. **563-588-1406**. facebook.com/JodiandKT.



Haiku with Francine Banwarth

6-7 PM @ RIVER LIGHTS BOOKSTORE
Come meet Haiku artist Francine Banwarth and celebrate the release of *Bare Necessities: Selected Haiku of Francine Banwarth*, published by Brooks Books and released on Aug. 1 of this year. "As a selected collection, this book includes many of the very best haiku written by Francine Banwarth since she started writing in 1988." 1098 Main St. **563-556-4391**. riverlights.com.

SAT 9/21

Becoming an Outdoor Woman

9 AM-1 PM @ EB LYONS INTERPRETIVE CENTER
Connect with like-minded women and discover the opportunities that are available in the outdoors. Learn outdoor skills from knowledgeable women instructors during this day of fun-filled sessions provided by Dubuque County Conservation. Be ready to learn, have fun, and make new connections with other women. Educational sessions on various activities include natural pigments, eco-printing, and fungi foray. Following sessions, lunch will be provided. BYO reusable dinnerware. Space is limited. RSVP. Suggested donation: \$5. 8991 Bellevue Heights Rd. **563-556-6745**. dubuquecountyiowa.gov/conservation.



10th Annual West Dubuque Wingfest

10 AM-4 PM @ FARLEY CITY PARK (FARLEY, IA)
Competitors cook up approximately 10,000 wings with live entertainment, volleyball, baggo, human foosball, and a wing eating contest. Plus, kids' entertainment, a dunk tank, and more, all to support West Dubuque High School. facebook.com/Western.Dubuque.

Maqtoberfest

11 AM-8 PM @ DOWNTOWN MAQUOKETA, IA
Maqtoberfest is back with music, food, shopping and fun. Join the local showcase from 11 a.m. 2 p.m. before the bonus end-of-season bah with Music on The Green featuring the Surf Zombies and The Muzik Krauts. Activities and info booths

along with Chalk the Walk take place downtown and around The Green. Presented by Maquoketa Betterment Corp/Hometown Pride. Free. **563-748-2686**. facebook.com/Maqtoberfest.

Apple Fest

2-9 PM @ MID-TOWN MARINA (EAST DUBUQUE, IL)
Mid-Town Marina is partnering with Czipar's Orchard to bring you all things apples! Join for live music and an apple menu including boozy caramel apple shakes, apple margaritas, apple martinis, apple cider mimosas, hot apple pie ala mode, apple donut sundaes, kids caramel apple sundae station, and food themed apple specials. 285 5th St, East Dubuque, IL. **815-747-3310**. midtownmarina.com.

SUN 9/22



Crafty Crawl

10 AM-3 PM @ DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
Jodi & KT Invite You to shop one-of-a-kind items from local makers, artists, crafters, bakers, and more. Admission gets you into all three buildings and outdoor market that are filled with more than 100 vendors. \$5. 14569 Old Highway Rd. **563-588-1406**. facebook.com/JodiandKT.



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SUNDAY

Galena Territory Farmers Market

8 AM-NOON @ GALENA TERRITORY OWNERS' CLUB PARKING LOT (GALENA, IL) THROUGH 10/13
Fresh produce, baked goods, meat, crafts, and more. 2000 Territory Dr, Galena, IL. **815-777-2000**. TheGalenaTerritory.com.

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

Cuba City Community Market

4-7 PM @ VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK (CUBA CITY, WI) 3RD WED THROUGH 9/18
Featuring a variety of market-related goods. 100 S Washington St, Cuba City, WI. **608-744-2152**. facebook.com/CubaCityMarket.

Mid-Week Market

5-8 PM @ 11TH AND IOWA ST THROUGH 9/25
Spend your Wednesdays where Dubuque Farmers' Market first started with fresh local produce, a beer garden and pizza from Jubeck New

World Brewing, and live music. facebook.com/midweekmarketmusic.

She Unites

6:30-7:30 PM @ THE INNOVATION LAB 3RD WED
An inclusive women's group working to connect women across the region through education, philanthropy, mutual support, and more. Free. 210 Jones St. SheUnitesIowa.com/events.

THURSDAY

Dyersville Farmers Market

3-5 PM @ COMMERCIAL CLUB PARK (DYERSVILLE, IA) THROUGH 10/3
A variety of local and regional offerings. 225 11th St SE, Dyersville, IA. dyersville.org/events.

Gary's Graffiti Nights

5-9:30 PM @ KENNEDY MALL THROUGH 9/12
Celebrating their 42nd year, cars 1979 and older gather for a 1950s-1960s car show based on American Graffiti with music and door prizes. 555 JFK Rd. **563-588-1406**. facebook.com/GarysGraffitiNights.

Millwork Night Market

5-8 PM @ 7TH-9TH AND JACKSON ST 2ND THU THROUGH 10/10
This independent farmers' market features local food, foods, original artists, live entertainment, and craft beer. Their goal is to connect shoppers with the amazing farmers, producers, artists, and artisans that we have in the Tri-State area, while also providing a unique nightlife experience. Smoke-free and pet-free. BYO water bottle, reusable grocery bags, and lawn chairs. MillworkNightMarket.com.



East Dubuque Cruisin' Thursdays

5-9 PM @ SINSINAWA AVE, EAST DUBUQUE, IL THROUGH 9/26
Open to all years of classic, muscle, and unique cars, trucks, and motorcycles. Great food, closed street, open containers, and live music. facebook.com/eastdubuquecarshow.

FRIDAY

Friday Lights Poetry Night

6-7 PM @ RIVER LIGHTS BOOKSTORE 2ND FRI
Bring your work to share and read a favorite poem. Listen, laugh, and learn in a quiet space of time. Participate in the poetry book swap—bring one, swap one. Facilitated by Valorie Woerdehoff and Q Hommen-Quario. 1098

Main St. **563-556-4391**. RiverLights.com.

First Fridays

VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE 1ST FRI
First Fridays is Downtown Dubuque's monthly visual art series, hosted by galleries, museums, and venues, celebrating Dubuque's great visual arts scene. Free.

SATURDAY



Dubuque Farmers' Market

7 AM-NOON @ AROUND 12TH AND IOWA ST THROUGH 9/28 @ 7 AM 10/5-10/26 @ 8 AM
Iowa's oldest farmers' market offers a variety of produce, meats, cheeses, baked goods, handmade goods, on-site prepared foods, and more. Browse booths from area farmers and vendors while enjoying live music from a variety of musicians. Rain or shine. **563-588-4400**. DubuqueFarmersMarket.org.

Galena Farmers Market

7 AM-NOON @ GALENA CITY HALL PARKING LOT (GALENA, IL) THROUGH 10/26
Find seasonal produce, flowers, maple syrup, baked goods, re-purposed crafts, meat, roasted coffee beans, and more. Rain or shine. 101 Green St, Galena, IL. **563-542-0996**. facebook.com/galenafarmersmarket.

Potosi Tennyson Driftless Gate Market

8 AM-NOON @ ST. ANDREW & THOMAS SCHOOL (POTOSI, WI) EVERY OTHER SAT THROUGH 9/21: 9/7, 9/21
The Potosi-Tennyson Market has become a hub for locals and visitors alike, offering a unique shopping experience

and an opportunity to meet the people behind the products. The vendors include small farms, artists, hobbyists, crafters, service providers, and more who are all committed to community involvement and help promote local growth. 100 HWY 61, Potosi WI. PotosiTennysonMarket.com.



Dyersville Downtown Market

8 AM-NOON @ 3RD AVE SW AND 3RD ST, DYERSVILLE, IA LAST SAT THROUGH 9/28
Head to the grassy square between Xavier School and the north fork of the Maquoketa River to find a variety of local vendors, food trucks, live music, and activities. DyersvilleDowntownMarket.com.



Platteville Summer Farmer's Market

8 AM-NOON @ PLATTEVILLE CITY PARK (PLATTEVILLE, WI) THROUGH 10/26
Find everything from delicious vegetables to a variety of flowers, great gift items to canned preserves, and just about everything in between. All of the products you'll find are locally grown, harvested, or handmade by local vendors. 75 N Bonson St, Platteville, WI. **608-218-4374**. PlattevilleFarmersMarketWI.com.



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QuadCon

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 @ 10 AM-2 PM
FIVE FLAGS ARENA

The Honky Tonk Man is coming to Dubuque for QuadCon on Sunday, Sept. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join a geeky good time at the Five Flags Arena in downtown Dubuque.

Whether you're looking to buy or sell vintage video games, posters, comics, toys, Funko Pops, or other pop culture-related items, Dubuque is the place to be. The cosplay showcase will feature \$250 in prizes, and Video Games Etc. will sponsor

some video game tournaments—details announced the week of the event.

Honky Tonk Man is scheduled to be the special guest at Dubuque Comic and Toy Show. He has been an Icon in the wrestling industry for over 40 years. His WWE career saw him hold the Intercontinental Championship for a record 64 weeks! Over the years, HTM has been in the ring with fellow legends such as Hulk Hogan, Macho Man Randy Savage, and Stone Cold Steve Austin. It is not hard to find Hall of Famer Honky Tonk Man in other pop culture references as well, like action figures and video games.

Join your fellow geeky cohort for a pop culture celebration on Sunday, Sept. 8 at the Five Flags Arena. Entry is \$5. Honky Tonk Man autograph and photo opportunity rates will be announced soon. Tell your friends and neighbors the Honky Tonk Man is coming to town!

Vendor details and more information can be found at [QuadCityCon.com](https://www.QuadCityCon.com). ■



The Price is Right Live

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 7 PM
FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Get ready to "Come on Down" and join the excitement as the legendary television game show *The Price Is Right* comes to life in an unforgettable live event at the Five Flags Arena on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m.

Whether you're a long-time fan or new to the show, this is your chance to be a part of the action and win incredible prizes. Alongside the celebrity host, randomly-selected contestants play everyone's favorite games like Plinko, Cliffhangers, The Big Wheel, and even the fabulous Showcase. The show features an array of fantastic prizes, from appliances and electronics to dream vacations and even a brand new car. Lucky audience members can even win prizes right from their seat.

Playing to near sold-out audiences for more than 20 years, generations of fans all across America have made *The Price is Right Live* the perfect family entertainment experience. And the next contestant might be you! If you've ever dreamt of spinning the Big Wheel, now is your chance!

Tickets are \$40-\$70. ■



Dr. Scott Bonn: Serial Killers

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 7:30 PM
FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Spend a chilling evening at the Five Flags Theater with renowned criminologist and serial killer expert, Dr. Scott Bonn, as he takes you inside the minds of the world's most savage and prolific murderers on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7:30 p.m.

In this thrilling 90-minute show, Dr. Bonn reveals the insatiable, psychological hungers that drive the likes of Ted Bundy

and Jeffrey Dahmer to kill repeatedly with impunity and no remorse. He explains why the majority of serial killers are either psychopaths or sociopaths, how the two differ, and the powerful influences of nature and nurture on the development of fledgling serial killers.

Dr. Bonn is a best selling author, professor, public speaker, and he has interacted with such notorious serial killers as Dennis Rader ("Bind, Torture, Kill") and David Berkowitz ("Son of Sam"). He also developed a profile of the unknown "Long Island Serial Killer" in 2011 that matches the alleged perpetrator, Rex Heuermann, perfectly. He shares the secrets of how he was able to predict the psychological and behavioral makeup of the Long Island Serial Killer with such incredible precision.

Adults only recommended.

Tickets are \$35-\$55 ■



Cooper Alan

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 @ 8 PM
FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Cooper Alan heads to the Five Flags Arena on Thursday, Sept. 19 at 8 p.m.

A rising star with the spirit of a true entertainer, a penchant for outside-the-box thinking and a growing, self-built

audience, Cooper Alan is an artist willing to take country music where others have never dreamed—and fans love him for it. Whether it's a deeply personal, step-by-step romantic saga, or an off-the-wall party anthem, Alan's music is already some of country's most fearless work, and he's just getting started.

A native of Winston-Salem, NC, the independent artist has racked up more than 225 million streams, a massive digital presence with more than 14 million followers across all social media platforms, and a touring footprint that sold over 85,000 tickets to date.

Tickets are \$50.75. ■



Trilogy

THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE SHOW
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 @ 8 PM
FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Experience the sights and sounds of three epic bands all in one memorable night with Trilogy at the Five Flags Theater on Saturday, Sept. 21 at 8 p.m.

The show begins with The Doors tribute. Witness with your own eyes as they bring Jim Morrison and the whole band back to life. You will be questioning all of your senses.

The show continues with The Led Zeppelin tribute. See their Jimmy Page

play your favorite solos note for note in the infamous dragon suit. And their Robert Plant, with the voice of a God and those angelic moves. They will truly make you wonder if it's 1970 again.

Finishing the night in epic fashion is the Pink Floyd tribute. Experience the sights and sounds of Pink Floyd like never before. Including an extra ordinary saxophonist and female backup singer that will make the hair raise on the back of your neck. Watch as their Roger Waters and David Gilmour deliver all of soulful vocals and timeless guitar solos that will leave you breathless. Follow them back in time, and relive the past.

Trilogy is made up of professional musicians from all over the nation. Each member of each band was handpicked specifically for each role, and they look and sound like the person they are portraying.

Tickets are \$18-\$43. ■

First Fridays

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

NOON-7 PM @ STONED ART STUDIO & GALLERY (1800 CENTRAL AVE)

NOON-8 PM @ WIDDERSHINS ARTISAN GALLERY (2204 CENTRAL AVE)

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

5-8 PM @ THE STU (1533 CENTRAL AVE)

6-7 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY (360 W 11TH ST)

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

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.

Stoned Art Studio and Gallery showcases the art and Driftless Region photography of Henry Matthiessen III and will also be featuring the artwork of Dubuque artist and our friend Bibi Burke. StonedArtStudio.com.

Widdershins Artisan Gallery features artworks by local, regional, and national artists including Mark Dierker, John Potter, Debra Sullivan, Sara Mess, Dan Aldeman, Peggy Jo Brekke, K.A. Kriesel, Katherine Funke, Heather Houzenga, Jay Pauley, Autumn Rose, Bill Potter, Deb Lutz, Robin Griswold-Ott, Moon Yokum, Vicki Copeland, Shirley Dale, and Ben Curtis. Enjoy the comfy vintage furniture while listening to classic rock tunes. Refreshments will also be available. Located next to Dubuque Bike Coop. WiddershinsGallery.com.

Outside the Lines features Sun Prairie, WI artist John McGee who will be demonstrating his oil painting technique throughout the evening and again the following morning from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Light refreshments will be offered. 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. ShopOTLAG.com.

The Stu features the artwork of Nico, a student and mentee of Mario "Zore" Gonzalez. To kick off the project, they are accepting donations, big and small, to help support the artists. facebook.com/TriPhoenixGroup.

Carnegie-Stout Public Library welcomes long-time area musicians Denny Garcia and Dave Hummel to the Music @ your library stage for a set of their original music. Garcia and Hummel have both been a part of the local music scene for over 40 years performing separately and together, most notably with The Mississippi Band, of which Hummel is a founding member. The duo will be performing songs they wrote throughout their career which pull from various genres including rock, country, folk, and blues. CarnegieStout.org.

Planted's gallery hosts *Passionately Amalgamated*, a collection of new works by Stephanie Funke. She has created more than 20 original pieces that combine her love of bold and repetitive patterns, photography, inspirational verses, and graphic design. Through this variety of mediums, she explores the overwhelming power, beauty, intense extremes, and profound lessons of nature. On display Sept. 6-30. PlantedDBQ.com.

The Dubuque Area Arts Collective is proud to partner with the Dubuque Camera Club to bring you a member's exhibition of window into the inspirations of the community's photographers, showcasing what they consider their most compelling works. The works features micro photography that reveal the hidden beauty in small details, compositions that tell compelling stories, beauty in architecture, vivid textures and patterns found in the natural world, as well as breathtaking landscapes that showcase the grandeur of our local scenery. On display now through Sept. 20. DubuqueArts.com. ■

GRID: 100 Mini Paintings

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 @ 6-9 PM
ANDONIA GIANNAKOUIROS STUDIO
(219 W 9TH ST)

Join Andonia Giannakouros for the culmination of her mini painting series on Saturday, Sept. 7 at 6-9 p.m. at her studio.

GRID: 100 Mini Paintings by Andonia Giannakouros is a live and developing exhibition of 100 mini paintings that started on June 1, 2023. It is presented in a grid format

evoking the interface of a social media grid and other grid format albums with chronological hierarchy such as Google and Apple photos. The project explores technical questions for the artist such as exploration of composition (small format paintings in high multiples provide an opportunity for intensive study and experimentation) and her personal biographical experience.

Andonia Giannakouros, is a Dubuque-based figurative painter and printmaker. The converted studio space in the Fisher Building features this one-night pop-up show. For more information, visit Giannaka.com. ■

ARTIST CALL

Latinx Exhibition Deadline

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Dubuque Area Arts Collective (DAAC) invites artists of Latinx and/or Hispanic descent to submit their work, regardless of whether they were born inside or outside the USA. All art mediums and subjects accepted including 2D, 3D, installation, crafts, photography,

digital art, video, and more. Submissions are due Tuesday, Sept. 10.

The exhibit will open on the first and second floor galleries of the Smokestack in conjunction with Latinx Fiesta (Dubuque's Latin American Festival) on Sept. 28, and it will stay open through Oct. 25. The Dubuque Latinx Fiesta will feature the art exhibit, Latin American live music, performances, food and vendors. Last year, the Latinx fiesta brought close to 2,000 patrons.

For submission details and more information, visit DubuqueArts.com. ■

23RD ANNUAL

Fishtival 2024

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 9 AM-3 PM

RIVERWALK IN BELLEVUE, IA

The 23rd annual Fishtival will be held Saturday, Sept. 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. along the Riverwalk in Bellevue, IA.

Many forms of art will be on display and for sale, including paintings, drawings, ceramics, jewelry, photography, and woodworking. There will be chalk art on the street and dance teams for entertainment. Inside the Great River Gallery on the Plaza, find "pop-up" artwork available at prices \$100 and under. Also



on the Plaza will be a cut-out mermaid available for photo opportunities. Two local food trucks will be on site as well.

All are welcome to attend and support our local artists for this day of celebration. For more information, visit BellevueArtsCouncilIowa.org. ■



The Great Draw Street Art Competition

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 8 AM-4 PM
OUTSIDE THE LINES ART GALLERY
(1101 MAIN ST)

You are invited to be a part of this year's Great Draw Street Art Competition, a fundraiser for the Great Draw Visual Art Scholarship on Saturday, Sept. 14 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the street adjacent to Outside the Lines Art Gallery in Dubuque.

The event is a street chalk art drawing contest with two competition categories: students 18 and under (\$12) and adults (\$16) with winners in multiple levels. Entry fee includes a 4-by-6-foot section of street (5-by-7 foot for teams), a set of Koss pastels, bottled water, and a chance to win over \$3,000 in cash and prizes!

Categories include 7 and under, 8-12, 13-18, amateur over 18, and artists. There will also be a people's choice winner.

Entry forms are available at TheGreatDraw.com. Return completed forms to otlag@aol.com or to one of the gallery locations by Friday, Sept. 13. There are a limited number of spaces, so submit early! Any unsold spaces will be sold the day of the event on a first come, first serve basis, and fees will increase to \$15 for 18 and under and \$20 for adults. Scholarships are available for this event.

Check-in after 7:30 a.m. at the white tent at Main and 11th Street. You will pick your space after checking in. The container to collect your people's choice tickets will be provided.

An award presentation will be held in front of the gallery at approximately 5:15 p.m. Artists and their families are invited to join for complimentary pizza and beverages generously provided by L. May Eatery and Van's Liquor Store.

Come on downtown throughout the day and watch the artists at work if you are not participating. You can safely view 11th Street until noon on Sunday as it will be closed. Check out the great businesses on the block such as Outside the Lines Art Gallery and River Lights Bookstore, and grab some food from a great restaurant right in the area. ■



15th Anniversary Dubuque Oktoberfest

Saturday, September 14 @ 11 AM–6 PM
Back Waters Stage (1855 Greyhound Park Rd)

Dubuque Oktoberfest, a vibrant celebration of German and Slavic heritage, marks its 15th anniversary on Saturday, Sept. 14. This much-anticipated annual festival will take place from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Q Casino + Resort's Back Waters Stage, promising a day of music, food, drinks, entertainment, and games for the whole family. Two large tents will be set up to ensure that the event can proceed rain or shine.

The event is free to attend, with donations accepted at the gate for Camp Albrecht Acres, which benefits entirely from the festival's proceeds.

The festivities begin with a performance by the Loras Jazz Ensemble, from 11 a.m. to noon. From noon to 1:15 p.m., the Americana Band will take the stage. At 12:30 p.m., the ceremonial keg march will be a highlight, featuring Mayor Brad Cavanagh. Following this, from 1:15 p.m. to 2 p.m., the University of Northern Iowa (UNI) Illuminate Dance Troupe will perform and teach traditional polka dancing.

One of the festival's most entertaining features, the wiener dog parade and races, will take place from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Simmons Pet Food, this event invites dachshund enthusiasts to showcase their pets in a delightful parade and competitive race. Register in advance at DBQoktoberfest.org.

The Guttenberg German Band will then take the stage from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Following this, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., attendees can test their strength and endurance in the Stein Holding Contest, a favorite challenge among festival-goers.

Throughout the day, attendees can indulge in food stands and German cuisine from the Chew on This food truck, alongside ice cream treats from Delaney's Ice Cream. Beverages, including both alcoholic and non-alcoholic options, will be available to complement the hearty fare.

Joe Kane, chair of the Dubuque Oktoberfest planning committee and past-president of the Camp Albrecht Acres board of directors, reflects on the event's growth over the years: "What started off as a small festival fundraiser on upper Main Street to what it is today at the Q Casino Backwaters Stage is quite amazing. We are an all-volunteer festival in which the proceeds still benefit Camp Albrecht Acres, and we are proud to bring this event to the community to support this camp for people with special needs."

For additional details and updates, visit DBQoktoberfest.org. Whether you're a local or a visitor, the Dubuque Oktoberfest promises a day of cultural celebration, community engagement, and pure fun. ■



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The Grand Opera House Announces its 2024-2025 Season

By Bryce Parks

As if it was made just for them, The Grand Opera House's opening production of their 2024-2025 season is Rodgers and Hammerstein's *A Grand Night for Singing*. But alas, this one-time Broadway medley highlight that brings together 30 of their greatest hit music theater songs was just a lucky coincidence, much as the fact that the season's other bookend final show is also a Rodgers and Hammerstein classic, *Cinderella*. Things just seem to be falling into place for The Grand. And the historic venue's executive and artistic director, Nick Halder, seems pretty high on what's in store for patrons in the next year.

"Yes, it's an actual licensed show," Halder assures us of the convenient happenstance around the name of the season opener. "It's a Rodgers and Hammerstein review that ran on Broadway in the late '90s. The title is taken from their musical *State Fair*, and their song 'A Grand Night for Singing.'" And Nick also assured me that I was not the first person to ask if they named the show, as others asked if it was a special fundraiser they built in-house. So sir, this is the real deal, or should be say, the real Hammerstein.

It features 14 different local talents as part of the production. So, for all you musical theater lovers out there, and I know there are a lot of you, prepare to be dipped in magic waters, or should I say, "The Sound of Music!"

Second up is a live staging of the cult classic film *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. "It's the same story as the movie, of course, but it's not just live actors in front of the movie performing," explains Halder. "It's the full production stage show through and through, so there will be actually no movie as part of it."

I asked if they are encouraging people in the audience to bring the newspapers and other props to the show. I think the thought of cleaning up that mess after every show is a bit daunting.

"We haven't decided about all the props yet," Nick responded. "But there's plenty of audience enhancement. I mean, there's plenty of shouting from the audience, similar to the film, but there might even be more so in the stage show. So we're still kind of determining that, but obviously, we want everyone to have a great time."

Definitely no hot dogs though! *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, *The Musical* is next up, adding music to an already timeless hilarious play.

"Still based on the same great children's story, for me personally, it's one of the first theatrical shows that I remember seeing as a kid," adds Halder. "So, the story itself just warms my heart, and it's really fun. It'll also be a great opportunity to have some students involved in a show as well. They kind of take the primary focus in that show and are school-age students.

Last season, The Grand updated the staging of a long-time favorite when they added new backdrops and technical elements to give *The Nutcracker* a decidedly more "Dubuque" flair, and that fresh take on it continues this year.

"But obviously, the dancing is different from one year to the next," notes Nick. "Megan and Marina really build that show around the dancers that they have, and I think it should be another great year. They had a lot of great, very talented high school young women. I think they would even say that they were able to do some things this past year that maybe they weren't able to do in the same numbers in previous years, and if I remember correctly, a fair amount of them are still dancing this year. So there was just some really beautiful chorus dancing last year. But it'll be just as beautiful as *The Nutcracker* always is."

I'm particularly excited to see *Noises Off*. As a big fan of a more recent take on the idea in *The Play That Goes Wrong*, this predecessor production turns the efforts of a theater troupe trying to stage a show on its hilarious head.

"Essentially, the *Play That Goes Wrong* is *Noises Off*, but just the newer version of it, because it's the same idea," explains Nick. "It's been one that's been discussed for a while down here as a potential title even before my arrival. So, it's kind of nice that it all worked out this time. I'm always a firm believer there's a right time in the right place for every show, and I think we might have found the right time in the right place."

"With *The Play That Goes Wrong*, you don't get the backstage perspectives," Halder continues. "So yeah, so the great thing about *Noises Off* is in act one, the audience is essentially seeing a rehearsal of the show. In act two, they see that same

rehearsal but from backstage, so the scenery all spins around, and then act three is a performance of that piece that they're doing. So you get to see the ins and outs of putting a piece of theater together, and anything and everything that could go wrong does."

They even made a movie of *Noises Off* with a big cast of stars like Michael Caine, Carol Burnett, Christopher Reeve, and more. So this classic turn on the world of live theater has stood the test of time.

Unless you grew up in a small town where they don't allow dancing or Kevin Bacon movies, you'll know the next show of the season: a musical rendition of *Footloose*. It's never been done in the community outside of school productions, so Nick is looking forward to having a production with both adults and students in it.

"And it's every bit as good as the original film," adds Nick. "I actually got to be a part of it when I was in graduate school. It features all of the great music from the film as well as some new ones. And a lot of dancing, a lot of great singing. So it should be a really fun, big summer musical."

And the season wraps with more Rodgers & Hammerstein in August for The Grand's youth production of *Cinderella*, another classic.

The Dubuque Arts Council will also return on New Year's Eve for another Sinatra-centric show.

In late winter, Halder says The Grand will be doing a theater piece for young audiences where schools will bus students down to take it in, but there will also be public performances. Details on the title and dates are yet to be announced.

Though Nick Halder would say their productions in any season are all over the place thematically, one theme that seems to stick is familiar favorites and titles sure to please. Every local theater seems to have their niche, and for The Grand, it's staging diverse but recognizable shows that will appeal to all ages.



NICK HALDER, THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE EXECUTIVE AND ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

"That's the great thing about Dubuque," adds Halder. "That's three theater companies, and that's not necessarily all of the theater that's happening here in Dubuque with all of the great school and college performances. And to think that Dubuque has that many successful companies. We each have our own little niche, but we've got great audience support across all of those different niches, and in that case, we're all able to do what we do. And that's kind of remarkable. And as not being a native Dubuquer, that was one of the first things that I noticed. I just thought that's crazy, but it's crazy good, that each and every one of us can be successful. We're very fortunate in Dubuque to have what we have, no question."

If you, for some reason, were from that town with no dancing and no Kevin Bacon movies and just came to Dubuque, or, you know, it's just soooo far to drive downtown from Asbury, get off your couch.

"Come down and take in a show at Dubuque's oldest surviving theater," adds Nick. "Come down and see what your neighbors and friends are doing on stage because it's quite remarkable to have the caliber of productions here and throughout Dubuque. It's great that we can do what we can with the resources that we have, and part of those resources are the talent that we can draw upon to be in our shows. Working backstage, designing, directing, you name it, it's the community through and through down here. They are what makes it go, and ultimately, it's the other community members who come down here and sit in the seats and support their fellow community members that allow us to do what we do day in and day out." ■

2024–2025 Performances

The Grand Opera house and box office are located at 135 W. 8th St. Season subscriptions are currently on-sale and can be purchased in person at the box office, by calling **563-588-1305**, or online at **thegrandoperahouse.com**. Single tickets for all productions are also currently on sale.

The Broadway Series includes *A Grand Night for Singing*, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever—The Musical*, *Noises Off*, and *Footloose* and is \$80 for adults and \$48 for patrons under 18 years old (\$20 off regular ticket prices).

The Broadway and Ballet Series includes the shows above plus *The Nutcracker* and is \$100 for adults and \$60 for patrons under 18 years old (\$25 off regular ticket prices).



A Grand Night for Singing

SEPTEMBER 20–29

Many of the most uplifting and romantic songs in musical theatre history have one thing in common: the incomparable writing team of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II. Their partnership both dominated and became synonymous with the Golden Age of Broadway. *A Grand Night For Singing* celebrates more than 30 hit songs from all their musical treasures such as *Oklahoma!*, *South Pacific*, *The Sound of Music*, *Carousel*, *The King and I*, *Cinderella*, and more. You'll be tapping your toes and humming along in a joyful evening filled with fresh takes on the music you love.



The Rocky Horror Show

OCTOBER 20–29

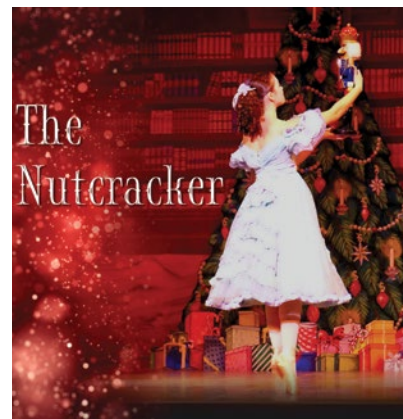
The original kitschy rock 'n' roll sci-fi gothic musical takes The Grand stage. In this cult classic, sweethearts Brad and Janet, stuck with a flat tire during a storm, discover the eerie mansion of Dr. Frank-N-Furter. As their innocence is lost, Brad and Janet meet a houseful of wild characters, including a rocking biker and a creepy butler. Through elaborate dances and rock songs, Frank-N-Furter unveils his latest creation: a muscular man named "Rocky."



The Best Christmas Pageant Ever—The Musical

NOVEMBER 29–DECEMBER 8

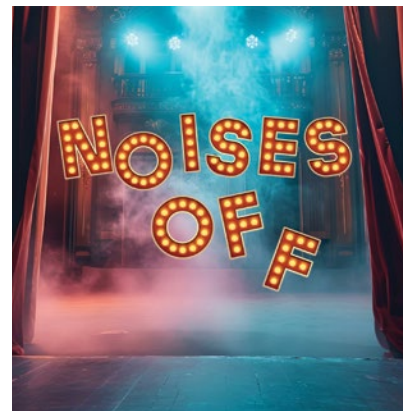
The Herdmans are the worst kids in the history of the world—so when they crash Sunday school and demand parts in the Christmas pageant, the whole town panics. There's not supposed to be biting or cigar-smoking in Bethlehem, and while these kids have never even heard the Christmas story, they definitely have rewritten! Soon, everyone is calling for reluctant director Grace Bradley to cancel the whole thing. It's up to the Bradleys and the Reverend to help their community see the Christmas story and the Herdman kids through new eyes in this buoyant musical adaptation of the funny and touching holiday classic.



The Nutcracker

DECEMBER 14–22

An annual Dubuque Christmas tradition inspired by Dubuque, *The Nutcracker* returns. Whirling snowflakes and waltzing flowers frame this beloved holiday classic. Clara and her enchanted Nutcracker battle the dreadful Mouse King in a nightmare that becomes a beautiful dream. Performed annually for over 20 years, the Dubuque City Youth Ballet's production will be a highlight of your family's holiday celebration.



Noises Off

MARCH 28–APRIL 6, 2025

This side-splitting play features a theater company desperately trying to get their act together. Watch as they blunder from a bad dress rehearsal to a wonderfully disastrous performance full of flubbed lines, missed cues, slammed doors, technical difficulties, fallen trousers, and, of course, the ever-important sardines. An uproarious love letter to the theater, *Noises Off* is a peek behind the curtain—where everything that can go wrong, does!



Footloose

JUNE 20–JULY 6, 2025

Kick off your Sunday shoes this summer with *Footloose*, co-produced with Rising Star Theatre Company. Based on the explosive rock 'n' roll musical movie, this Broadway hit tells the story of Ren McCormack, a big-city teen who finds himself out of place in a rural town. He is prepared for the inevitable adjustment period at his new high school. But he's not prepared for the rigorous local edicts, including a ban on dancing instituted by the local preacher, who is determined to exercise control over the town's youth. To the rockin' rhythm of its Oscar and Tony-nominated Top 40 score, augmented with dynamic new songs, *Footloose* celebrates the wisdom of listening to young people while guiding them with a warm heart and open mind.



Cinderella

AUGUST 6–10, 2025

The season concludes in August with the annual youth production co-produced with Rising Star Theatre Company. Area students will take the stage in Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*. The timeless enchantment of a magical fairy tale is reborn with charm and elegance. Generations have been transported to the miraculous kingdom of dreams-come-true. With great warmth and more than a touch of hilarity, the hearts of children and adults alike still soar when the slipper fits.

Young Audiences Productions TBA

FEBRUARY 21–MARCH 2, 2025

In addition to the announced productions, The Grand will also produce a theatre piece for young audiences. It will be geared towards elementary school students and their families. This production will also include daytime school matinee performances.



Fly-By-Night Productions 42nd Season

By Bryce Parks

Like other major staged arts organizations, Fly-By-Night Productions, too, announced its next season. It's 42nd season. Yes, that's not a typo. This dedicated group of thespians has been at it for over four decades, bringing some of the most deep and challenging productions to any stage in Dubuque, season after season. That's one of the topics we hit on when we chatted with Lenore Howard, the co-founder along with her husband Doug Donald, matriarch and continued driving creative force behind Fly-By-Night.

But let's start with where a new season of shows comes from.

Howard explains, "We have a script reading committee that reads a lot of plays and discusses them. Some just start to bubble to the surface right away, other times not, but it's a year-long process and actually why I'm so excited about the first play called *American Son* that was brought to our committee by member Claudette Carter-Thomas."

"It is a challenge, but it's an important play," she continues. "It's a cast of four, and it's about an encounter at a police station where a biracial couple have come because they're desperately looking

for their missing biracial teenage son. It deals with a whole lot of racial stuff and biases. It features a black mother, a white father, a young white rookie officer, and an older, more experienced black officer. And it's just an emotional ride from beginning to end and certainly deals with everything. Racism poisons everything."

The production is also uniquely co-directed by Lenore Howard and Peggy Jackson. Lenore told us that her directing partner, Jackson, is already known for doing a Walk Through Black History every year and also brings theater experience but stressed the importance of having two sets of eyes and experiences on the same script, one white and one black.

"I can tell black actors in my cast that I know how to stage a show, but I'm not the authority with the lived experience of the material," explains Lenore.

Howard stressed how much both directors hope that local black audiences will find Fly-By-Night for this production.

"One of the things we do are talkbacks, twice per production," notes Lenore. "The audience can stay after and ask questions and dialogue about what they just experienced. I think *American Son* is going to have some real dialogue after."

Moving ahead in the season, Howard says they found the second production, *Peace on Earth, Good Will to Dogs*, during COVID. "We found that story of a 1906 Christmas story, very little known anymore, but a very charming one. We did that show as a Zoom then, and now we want to stage it a little more in a unique way."

In another creative turn, they're going to stage that show at the Lacy Mansion next to Jackson Park in downtown Dubuque.

"It's 1906. It's New England. So the venue just has the charm, and I believe we'll be doing it by moving through the first floor of the mansion. We may move from room to room with scenes."

And no worries, that is a fully-accessible space.

"And then," continues Howard, "the script committee said, 'Why don't we ever do anything that's classic?' And we do. We do classics, but perhaps not traditional classics." And *The Glass Menagerie* certainly fits the bill.

"I don't know if anybody's done it for a while, and I think that's familiar to people, Tennessee Williams, you know," notes Howard. "So it rounds out a great variety. And I feel good about that because we do have a tendency to be the theater

company that does the serious, challenging shows. What we do is thought-provoking, but we do it all. It's our niche in the community to do a lot of more mature content, and we don't do kids' theater most of the time. By doing some of those plays that are very challenging, it stretches us, it stretches participants, and it stretches the audience."

And, of course, if you've been to a Fly-By-Night Productions show, you already know that it's a very up-close-and-personal, intimate space.

"I don't think the audience knows this," notes Howard, "but we consider the audience the last character to join the show because audiences make a difference in performances, and we think about them that way often, which is easy to do in the intimate setting because you can see everybody."

"A lot of times we introduce plays that are new to the area," continues Lenore. "Not that we're premiering them, but they are new to being performed in the Tri-State area. So if you're kind of got an adventurous spirit and you want to see some different things, we often offer that, which I think broadens the theater experience for everybody." ■

42nd Season Performances

Season tickets are available online now. Purchase three tickets for \$45 and save \$5 per show. Visit FlyByNightDubuque.com to purchase or call **563-599-9486** for more information.



American Son

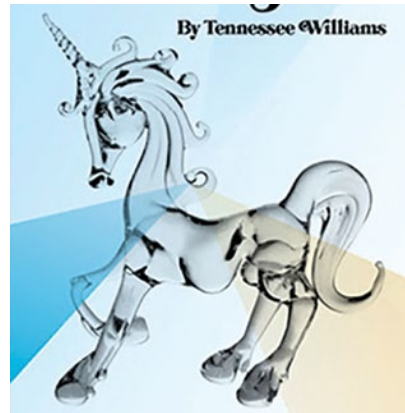
SEPTEMBER 20-22 AND 27-28
FIVE FLAGS BIJOU ROOM (405 MAIN ST)
 Fly-By-Night Productions kicks off their 42nd season with a powerful and relevant modern drama. An estranged married biracial (black and white) couple confront their feelings about race and bias. Desperate to locate their son, they come to the police station and learn he was detained by local police in a traffic stop incident. Demanding answers, the couple contend with a rookie inexperienced white desk police officer and the more experienced black career police officer. Tension builds to the end, when what occurred with their son finally comes to light. Recommended for ages 17 and older. A modern drama by Christopher Demos-Brown.



Peace on Earth, Good Will to Dogs

DECEMBER 13 AND 14
LACY MANSION (1640 MAIN ST)
 It's 1906, Christmas in a small New England town. Flame, teenage daughter of the Reverend and Mrs. Nourice, wants to spend one Christmas "exactly the way

she wants to." Her opportunity arrives when dogs, the new tenants of the formerly deserted Rattle-Pane House next door, move in. Offering to take care of them for Christmas Day, she thus prepares a Christmas feast for them. And, what ensues are shenanigans of the jolliest order! This charming Christmas "tail" will delight and leave you with a jingle of cheer for your holiday season! This play will be staged throughout the 1st floor of the Lacy Mansion. Adapted by Lenore Howard from an original story by Eleanor Hallowell Abbott.



The Glass Menagerie

JUNE 6-8 AND 13-14, 2025
FIVE FLAGS BIJOU ROOM (405 MAIN ST)
 Premiering in 1944, this classic icon of the American Theater catapulted Tennessee Williams to fame and one of America's most highly regarded playwrights. Now living in a dingy St. Louis apartment, Amanda Wingfield, who longs for her past Southern belle gentility, clings to the memories of her youth, as she projects her own unhappiness of her failed marriage and fallen social status onto her children—her son Tom, whose ambition to be a writer clashes with his guilt to support his mother and his painfully shy and physically frail sister, Laura, who finds solace in her collection of glass figurines. All three have created their separate illusions to make life bearable. When we allow our mind to magnify life's barriers, do we create our own cage? A drama by Tennessee Williams.

Public Play Readings

Coming in March 2025, Fly-By-Night Productions will present another of their popular public play readings followed with discussion. Follow them on social media and watch their website for details to come.

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SCAN TO LEARN MORE



Bell Tower Theater Rings in Another Season of Live Theater Comedy and More!

By Bryce Parks

After 23 years of not just entertaining the Tri-States with great local theatrical productions, but also training future generations of young actors and theatre professionals from their wee years, the Bell Tower Theater, like Dubuque's other venerable local stages, has found its niche in the live theater world. It's a funny niche, literally, and Bell Tower's director of operations and marketing, Miki Robinson, is not afraid to lean into it. It's what works, and people love it.

"It's been about 15 years since we started sticking to comedy," she explained to *365ink*. "We decided that we didn't want to see the same old shows over and over again or produce the same old shows over and over again, and we decided that we wanted to laugh. And we tried very hard to make sure every show has not been produced in the area before. They're not always new shows, but they're new to the Dubuque audience."

In somewhat the same way that the Hallmark Channel knows exactly what kind of movies women want to see on their channel every Christmas, Bell Tower has learned what kind of comedy

keeps their fans, new and old, coming back for more. And when you hit upon that recipe, you develop relationships with those writers for future material.

Miki explains, "Over the course of the years, we have developed relationships with a lot of writers, and that's great because they send stuff directly to us when it's new. One of the shows that we're doing next season in October is from writers Jones, Hope, and Wooten. This is, like, our ninth show of theirs that we will have done. And as soon as they write a new show, it shows up in my inbox."

"And then the other thing that we've had a lot of really good luck is to pay as much attention as we can to Canadian playwrights as well," Miki added. "The play we're doing in the spring is from Canada. It premiered in 2019, so it hasn't had a whole lot of production because COVID got in the way. So it's practically new."

But that also does not mean just staging anything that comes along in a genre. You may recall about a million *Church Basement Ladies* and *Nonsense* plays over the years. Bell Tower staged many of them. After announcing the *Church Basement* series was done after *Potluck Supper*, the writers did eventually come back with another.

"We didn't do it, we didn't like it," Miki explained "Even those tried-and-true series can get, you know, tired. The same thing happened with *Nonsense*. There were some *Nonsense* shows in the middle that were like, 'Hmm, I don't think so.' So we look at every play on its own merit. We don't necessarily try and grab things just because they've been successful with us before. We look at every play and see if it's genuinely good."

And Miki assures us that they have another slate of fresh, new fun that's going to keep audiences laughing all year long. And there's just nothing better than comedy when it's performed live in front of you versus on your television.

"Going to a live performing arts event, whether it be theater or music, is a completely different experience when you're doing it in a room full of other people," noted Miki. "It's even true of movies. A theater experience rather than watching it at home is so much better. I don't care how big your screen is at home. There's something about that collective experience that you can't get by staying at home."

So for theater's sake, get off your couch and come check out Bell Tower Theater for yourself.

"Just come and have fun," encourages Miki. "We have big, comfy chairs. You can have a drink while you watch the show, and you're going to laugh. You may not have heard of it before, but you're going to laugh. And best of all, come out and experience it with a bunch of other people. Things are funnier when you're watching them with a bunch of other people. You never know what's going to happen. It is still live theater, after all."

"Dubuque is so blessed," concludes Robinson. "With the number of talented artists we have here, musicians, actors, with the number of amazing performing arts organizations, you're seriously missing out if you're not getting out and checking out everything you can possibly see and hear. There is room for all of us. We're all doing something different."

Though the announcement is coming now, the Bell Tower's next season actually begins in February. But here's your chance to get those season tickets for yourself or someone you love in time for the holidays. And just to be safe, we're going to include the final two shows of the current Bell Tower season in the overview of upcoming performances below. ■

2024 & 2025 Performances

Evening performances are on Thursdays, Fridays, and the first two Saturdays of the run at 7:30 p.m. Afternoon performances are on the third Saturday of the run and every Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are just \$26 with discounts available for groups of 20 or more. The popular Early Bird Special performances will continue in 2025. On select days in the opening weekend of each show, tickets are half-price. That's just \$13! As always, Thursday night performances are Girl's Night Out so everybody (21 years of age and older) will get a free glass of wine before the show.

Gift certificates are always available. To order subscriptions, tickets, or gift certificates call Bell Tower Theater at **563-588-3377** or visit **BellTowerTheater.net**.



By Jim Hesselman

Love, Lies and the Lottery

OCTOBER 11-27

Peter is an unlucky guy. With a treacherous soon-to-be ex-wife, an overbearing mother and a not-so-bright best friend, he just can't catch a break. When he finds a winning lottery ticket worth \$510 million, his luck seems to turn around, but with just a couple of days left to cash in the ticket, this bizarre band of characters must navigate mistaken identities, psychics, and the home shopping network to secure the grand prize! A comedy by Jim Hesselman.



By Katherine DiSavino and Kevin Mead

Seasonal Allergies

DECEMBER 6-22

What are the holidays without a little chaos? Julia's life is turned upside down

when her soon-to-be-divorced brother shows up unexpectedly and stays from Thanksgiving through New Year's. Don't miss this funny, heartwarming comedy about friends, family, and holiday stresses. By Katherine DiSavino and Kevin Mead.

2025 Subscription Series

Season subscriptions are on sale now. For just \$100, subscribers will receive one ticket to each of the five subscription series plays and musicals in 2025 along with \$10 in Bell Tower Bucks to spend at the concession stand, free ticket exchanges, the chance to purchase discounted tickets for several other events, and the opportunity to reserve tickets before they go on sale to the general public on Oct. 1. For all three special events, tickets are \$26.

Aboveboard

FEBRUARY 7-23, 2025

When Nick's food starts disappearing from his apartment fridge, he immediately suspects his best friend, Milo, a bumbling magician who lives down the hall. When Milo refuses to confess, Nick installs a camera to catch the culprit in the act—and finds an unlikely trespasser has been secretly living in his apartment. When the video hits the internet, the surprises multiply. This romantic comedy about magic, misunderstanding, and running out of milk is great for Valentine's Day. By Peter Bloedel and Emily Kimball.

Where You Are

MARCH 28-APRIL 13, 2025

The Iowa premiere of this new comedy! The Iowa premiere of this new comedy! Sisters Glenda and Suzanne have lived together since Suzanne arrived single, penniless, and pregnant 33 years earlier, moving in with Glenda and her late husband. When Suzanne's daughter, Beth, arrives for a visit, things get complicated. Amid a busy week that includes a wild wedding, medicinal experimentation, and a budding romance, the sisters are eventually forced to confront truths that will change their lives forever. This a hilarious and heart-warming exploration of family, forgiveness and falling in love. By Kristen De Silva.

The Kitchen Witches

AUGUST 8-24, 2025

Isobel Lomax and Dolly Biddle are two "mature" cable-access cooking show hostesses who have hated each other for 30 years, ever since Larry Biddle dated one and married the other. When circumstances put them together on the same show, the insults are flung harder than the food and the show is a ratings smash! Can Stephen, Dolly's long-suffering TV-producer son, keep

them from destroying each other and the show? By Caroline Smith.

The Second-to-Last Chance Ladies League

OCTOBER 10-26, 2025

Celebrate Arts & Humanities month with the Iowa premiere by Bell Tower favorites, writers Jones, Hope, and Wooten. When Deedra purchases an historic wedding venue, her dearest friends rally around her and launch "Occasionally Yours," an events center for all kinds of fresh, new gatherings. With these women so involved in each other's lives, what could possibly go wrong? Basically, almost everything. This rollicking, fast-paced comedy will bring you endless joy and waves of laughter. By Jones Hope Wooten

Every Christmas Story Ever Told (And Then Some!)

DECEMBER 5-21, 2025

Tired of performing Charles Dickens' beloved holiday classic year after year, three actors decide instead to perform every Christmas story ever told—plus Christmas traditions from around the world, seasonal icons from ancient times to now, and every carol ever sung. This madcap romp through the holiday season will have you in stitches! That's *Every Christmas Story Ever Told* (and then some!) By Michael Carlton, James Fitzgerald, and John K. Alvarex

Youth Musicals

The popular Free Summer Musical Program will once again include two full-scale musicals. First up is *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition* in mid June, and the 17th Annual Kids-for-Kids Summer Musical will be *Disney's Descendants the Musical* in mid July. Details on these shows are available online at **belltowertheater.net**.

Special Events

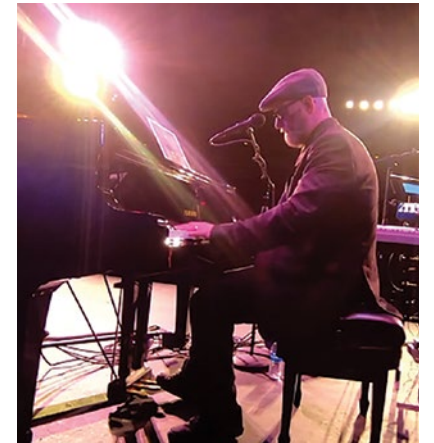


As Time Goes By

JANUARY 25 AND 26, 2025

Get ready for a whirlwind adventure featuring Cathy Goodman and Dave

Richter. What happens when a funky redhead asks AI to assist in creating a cabaret show? With a passion for grammar, style, manners, and the timeless allure of jazz, this ginger is on a mission to breathe new life into these fading gems. Enjoy an unforgettable fusion of wit, melody, and pure entertainment.



Piano Man, a tribute to Billy Joel

SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

A brilliant 4-piece band from the Madison area performs with high energy and musical expertise in a tribute to Billy Joel and other great artists. Don't be fooled by the small number of musicians—their sound is huge vocally and musically. Fronted by one of the best pianists in the Midwest and supported by a stellar rhythm section, this group is a must see.



GIT Improv

NOVEMBER 1, 2025

Bell Tower favorites GIT Improv return in 2025. These master comedians offer improv comedy at its best. Every performance is a brand new adventure as they create a unique show right before your very eyes using suggestions from you and your fellow audience members.

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Bloktoberfest

Saturday, September 14 @ Noon-5 PM
Millwork District (1085 Washington St)

Dubuque's vibrant cultural scene is set to become even livelier with the highly anticipated return of Bloktoberfest on Saturday, Sept. 14. The festival promises a celebration of community, creativity, lifestyle, and recreation, featuring an exhilarating lineup of BMX, skateboarding, scootering, kids' events, art, yoga, and a delightful array of food and beverages.

Attendees can look forward to awe-inspiring BMX, pro scootering, and skateboarding contests that will headline the event. The OAS crew will be constructing a skatepark on Washington Street, where the region's top talents will showcase gravity-defying tricks. A new addition for 2024 is the Women's Skate Contest.

Families will discover a wealth of entertainment options designed for children, including kids yoga with Challenge to Change, a kids mural project, face painting with the UBFM, punk rock hairstyles with Capri, inflatable play structures, and much more. These activities promise endless fun and excitement for young festival-goers.

For those with a competitive edge, tug-of-war and stein races will return. Thrill-seekers can enjoy a dunk tank with all proceeds going to the Crocus Foundation, and a mechanical bull with all proceeds benefiting Inspiration Stables.

Those seeking relaxation will find solace in the beer yoga sessions, facilitated in

partnership with B-1 Yoga. Participants can enjoy an invigorating yoga class with a cold beer or other beverage from RiverBluff Collective or Kava Kava in hand, allowing them to unwind and recharge amid the bustling festival atmosphere.

Complementing the array of activities, a curated selection of local craft breweries will offer refreshing beers, while local food vendors will serve delectable treats ranging from savory street food to indulgent desserts, ensuring a delightful culinary experience for all attendees.

Jason Henkel, one of the festival's organizers, expressed excitement about Bloktoberfest 2024, highlighting its significance to the community. "We're incredibly excited for Bloktoberfest 2024 and so grateful that it has found its home in our beautiful Millwork District," Henkel remarked. "This event holds a special place in the hearts of everyone involved, and we're committed to bringing the communities together to deliver an unforgettable experience that showcases the recreation lifestyle aspect of Dubuque."

With the festival date set for Saturday, Sept. 14, residents and visitors are encouraged to mark their calendars and join the celebration in the Millwork District. For more information and updates about Bloktoberfest 2024, visit BloktoberfestDubuque.com. ■

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"Jackass" star Steve-O poses with Five Flags Event Manager Nicholas Farfan while in town for a stand-up comedy show at the Five Flags Theater.



Bev Wagner from the Dubuque Metropolitan Area Solid Waste Agency shares her vermiculture knowledge with patrons at a worm composting workshop at Carnegie-Stout Public Library.



Art Stevenson and High Water perform at the third and final Mud Lake Bluegrass Festival of the season. Funny that high water is exactly what pushed art from the first slot of the year to the last, but mother nature played nice and allowed all of the music to happen.



The City of Dubuque took to social media to thank their amazing pool staff who helped make it a successful and safe season, grateful for their hard work, commitment to safety, and service to their community.



Dubuque rockers and recent 365ink coverboys, Menace, take a bow after their last planned performance during the two-day Summer's Last Blast Festival held at the Q Casino's Back Waters Stage on Schmitt Island Dubuque.



97.3 FM's own Johnny Rhodes took a weekend off from the hard rock to take in the Potosi Brewfest just across the river where he snapped this pic of the beer stein holding competition. Some work isn't really work.



DBQfest visitors are about to take part in screen printing their very own t-shirts at this interactive booth in Washington Park during the festival.



Senior High School raises money to refurbish their majestic grand Steinway piano with a live music trivia night fundraiser at the Mississippi Moon Bar at the Diamond Jo Casino.



The ladies of Steve's Ace Home & Garden celebrate their 100th anniversary in business during a rather warm Peosta Days Parade through the heart of the growing city.



Dubuque residents and visitors take in the new series of Art on the River sculptures along the Port of Dubuque Riverwalk that were recently unveiled with an opening celebration.



The Dubuque United Way officially set sail on their 2024-2025 campaign with a kick-off breakfast at the Diamond Jo Casino, where a panel of experts shared how they've used United Way to build a culture of social responsibility.

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THU 8/29

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

Cruisin' Thursdays: Big Night Out
5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
East DBQ, IL

Johnnie Walker
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Alyssa Hankey
6 PM @ Beer in the Barn
Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Platteville Music in the Park:
Full Circle
6 PM @ City Park (Platteville, WI)

Music on The Green: Half Gassed
6 PM @ Downtown Green
Space (Maquoketa, IA)

Music at the Mill: Joie Wails
6 PM @ WI River Outings
(Boscobel, WI)

Steve McIntyre
7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Lojo Russo
7:30 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Riley Green, John Morgan
8 PM @ Back Waters Stage

Lavetti Vegas
8 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

Jake Dodds: Riley Green
Afterparty
10 PM @ Q Showroom

FRI 8/30

Gypsy
5 PM @ Barrel Head Winery

Mick & Gerry Staebell
5 PM @ Park Farm Winery
(Bankston, IA)

Joie Wails
6 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Daniel Eric
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery
Tasting Room

Kristina Marie Castañeda
6 PM @ Millennium Bar &
Marina (East DBQ, IL)

RJ Fisher
6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Underground Sound Blues Trio:
Cameron Webb, Kyle Deschner,
Dylan Dickman
6:30 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery
Star Event Room

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

Pool Project
7 PM @ First Reserve

Fair Warning
7 PM @ The Yardarm

Johnnie Walker
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

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

10 Years, Conquer Divide
8 PM @ Q Showroom

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

Chapped Lips, Skinny and the
Shakes, Shoobie, Tu' Mera
9 PM @ The Lift

The GlassHouse Presents:
A Time to Remember
10 PM @ Smokestack

SAT 8/31

Dubuque Farmers' Market:
Sam Day, Benjamin Waters
7 AM @ Around 12th and Iowa St

Dubuque Farmers' Market: Gypsy
9:30 AM @ Jubeck New
World Brewing

Shannon Woulfe
1 PM @ Barrel Head Winery

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

Steve Sharp
1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard
(Galena, IL)

Joie Wails
2 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Sarah Day
2 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

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

Cassville Car Cruise: Rock Steady
4 PM @ Riverside Park
(Cassville, WI)

Li Li and the Dirty Bastards
5 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern
(Hazel Green, WI)

Noah James Hittner
5 PM @ Galena Cellars
Downtown (Galena, IL)

DR Band
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Fine2Day Fest:
Admiral Radio @ 6 PM
Cordovas @ 7 PM
SUSTO Stringband @ 8 PM
Jeremie Albino @ 9:10 PM
Katie Pruitt @ 10:20 PM
Codfish Hollow Barnstormers
(Maquoketa, IA)

Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia
7 PM @ Jubeck New
World Brewing

Tony Walker
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Ditch Lilies
7 PM @ The Yardarm

Boogie Monster
7 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar
& Grill (East DBQ, IL)

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

Sophie Coyote
7 PM @ Beer in the Barn
Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Karaoke
7 PM @ Galena Eagles Club
(Galena, IL)

CW Wooten
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Viskus, Klocx
8 PM @ The Goose

Hillbilly Rockstarz
8 PM @ Q Showroom

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

Big Mojo
8 PM @ The Tavern
(Prairie Du Chien, WI)

Kampfire Kings
8:30 PM @ Grape
Escape (Galena, IL)

SUN 9/1

Fine2Day Fest:
Cannon Rogers @ 11 AM
Clint Roberts @ 11:45 AM
Running Man @ 3 PM
Johnny Delaware @ 4 PM
Moonsville @ 5 PM
Rose Hotel @ 6:05 PM
She Returns from War @ 7:10 PM
David Ramirez @ 8:20 PM
SUSTO @ 9:40 PM
Codfish Hollow Barnstormers
(Maquoketa, IA)

Laura McDonald & Robbie Bahr
Noon @ Millennium Bar &
Marina (East DBQ, IL)

Black Velvet
Noon @ Galena Cellars
Downtown (Galena, IL)

DR Band
Noon @ Galena Cellars
Vineyard (Galena, IL)

The Mixed Emotions Band
1 PM @ O So Good Winery
(Dyersville, IA)

Jacque Miller
2 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Logan Wheat
2 PM @ Beer in the Barn
Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Jason Kincel
2 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Adam Beck
2 PM @ River Ridge Brewing
(Bellevue, IA)

Triple Threat
2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery
(Guttenberg, IA)

Sam Day
4 PM @ Park Farm Winery
(Bankston, IA)

Cal Cooney
5 PM @ Pint's River Bar
(Millville, IA)

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

Li Li and the Dirty Bastards
7 PM @ The Yardarm

Ultrabeat
8 PM @ Q Showroom

MON 9/2

Beatlefest:
Mad City Ukes @ 11 AM
Dave Sweeney @ 11:15 AM
Dylan Harris @ 11:30 AM
3 Ukes and a Bass @ 11:45 AM
Rob Malewicki @ Noon
Alys & The Ark @ 12:20 PM
Acoustic Collective @ 12:35 PM
The Jammers @ 12:55 PM
The Nowhere Men @ 1:20 PM
Hoot n' Annie @ 1:50 PM
The 5th Beatles @ 2:25 PM
Sugar Mama &
The Rent Check @ 3:05 PM
Paperback Writers @ 3:50 PM
The Reedles @ 4:30 PM
Spring Green General Store
(Spring Green, WI)

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8/31 Ditch Lillies
9/1 Li Li & the Dirty Bastards
9/6 Superfly Samurai
9/7 Jabberbox
9/13 Rock Steady
9/14 Brushfire Bandits
9/20 Who Are These Guys
9/21 Hard Salami
9/27 Unicorn Fist

8/30 Johnnie Walker
8/31 Sarah Day, 2-6 PM
8/31 CW Wooten, 7-11 PM
9/1 Jason Kincel
9/2 Sophie Coyote, 2-5:30 PM
9/6 BKB Musix, 7-11 PM
9/7 Stolen Grace
9/8 Joie Wails
9/13 Adrian Barragan 7-11 PM
9/14 Adam Beck

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8PM

FREE SHOW

**SEPT
1** ULTRABEAT
8PM

Saturday, August 31 and Sunday, September 1
5:00pm-10:30pm

**KEEP IT
OR
SWAP IT**

WIN YOUR SHARE OF
**\$50,000
CASH**

CASINO **Q** RESORT

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS
AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

BEER BLITZ
\$3 DOMESTIC BEER

ISLAND SOCIAL
KITCHEN + BAR

Saturday, August 31 and Sunday, September 1 from 5pm-10:30pm. Final Drawing at 10:30pm for your chance to win \$10,000 cash. Must be present to win. 2 winners will be randomly chosen each hour from 5pm-10pm. 1 winner will be randomly chosen at 10:30pm. Guests then will have the option to keep what they won or swap it for a different case. Q Club will receive 10 free daily entries, Silver 50 free daily entries, Gold 100 free daily entries and Platinum 500 free daily entries. Guests will earn 1 additional entry for each additional 25 points. Management reserves all rights. Gambling Problem? Call 1-800-BETS-OFF. Must be 21. All promotions are subject to IRGC approval.

MON 9/2

Mark Zalaznik
1 PM @ Dockside

Stone Rebellion Acoustic
2 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

10th Annual Blueberry Jam:
Denny Garcia, The Brews
Brothers, Tiger Kings
2 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern
(Hazel Green, WI)

Tapestry
2 PM @ Beer in the Barn
Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Sophie Coyote
2 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

TUE 9/3

Music on the Lawn: Ron Lubbers
4 PM @ Windsor Park
Retirement Community

Theresa Rosetta
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

WED 9/4

Mid-Week Market:
Andy Wilberding
5 PM @ 11th & Iowa St

Lung, Noun, Arc Numbers, If I
Could Just Get Some Sleep
6 PM @ Smokestack

Elizabeth Mary
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Joie Wails
6:30 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)



Dodge St Duo
7 PM @ First Reserve

THU 9/5

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

Cruisin' Thursdays: 2 Carls Band
5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
East DBQ, IL

Joie Wails
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

Marty Raymon
7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Shekinah King
7:30 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Bob Log 3
9 PM @ The Lift

FRI 9/6

Food Festival Fridays: Sarah Day
11 AM @ Washington Park

Music @ your library:
Denny Garcia & Dave Hummel
6 PM @ Carnegie-Stout
Public Library

John Moran
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Johnnie Walker
6 PM @ Frenress Lake Bar
& Grill (East DBQ, IL)

Donnie Reyzek @ 6 PM
Girls Night Out:
Magic Hunks @ 7:30 PM
Sandy Hook Tavern
(Hazel Green, WI)

The Other Two
6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Maureen Kilgore
7 PM @ First Reserve

Jeb Bishop & Tim Daisy Duo
7 PM @ Smokestack

Rock Steady
7 PM @ Southend Tap

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Superfly Samurai
7 PM @ The Yardarm

BKB Musix
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Willie and The Buzzhounds
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Crown Jewels
8 PM @ Q Showroom

James Herr
8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Driftmore Music & Arts Festival
Driftmore Grounds
(Platteville, WI)

SAT 9/7

Dubuque Farmers' Market:
Second Wind, Cameron
McCallister
7 AM @ Around 12th and Iowa St

Dubuque Farmers' Market:
Shannon Woulfe
9:30 AM @ Jubeck New
World Brewing

Platteville Dairy Days:
The Moo-Mania Comedy Show
@ 11:30 AM & 3 PM
Hypnotist Brian Imbus
@ 12:45 PM
Tony Rocker & The Comeback
Special @ 6 PM
Sarah Day @ 9 PM
Legion Park (Platteville, WI)

Mark Zalaznik
1 PM @ Barrel Head Winery

Shekinah King
1 PM @ PJ's Pub (Kieler, WI)

Addison Hill
1 PM @ Potosi Brewery
(Potosi, WI)

Jef Spradley
1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard
(Galena, IL)

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

Sarah Day & Jimmy Berg
2 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Potosi Tennyson Driftless Gate
Night Market: The Wundos
4 PM @ Hickory Hill Park
(Potosi, WI)

Craig Gerdes Band
4 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern
(Hazel Green, WI)

Shawn "Smitty" Smith
5 PM @ Galena Cellars
Downtown (Galena, IL)

Golden Alexander
6 PM @ Jubeck New
World Brewing

Shannon Woulfe
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

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

Brushfire Bandits
7 PM @ Southend Tap

The Mixed Emotions Band
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

JabberBox
7 PM @ The Yardarm

Massey Road
7 PM @ Locals Bar (Eppworth, IA)

Stolen Grace
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Gup & Co
7 PM @ Franklin Street Brewing
Company (Manchester, IA)

The Reistors
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Electric Shock
8 PM @ Q Showroom

Heavy IndX
8 PM @ Riverboat Lounge

Horace Green, Alma Sub Rosa
8 PM @ Smokestack

James Herr
8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Big Mojo
8 PM @ The Mine Shaft
(Mineral Point, WI)

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

Driftmore Music & Arts Festival
Driftmore Grounds
(Platteville, WI)

SUN 9/8

Platteville Dairy Days: The
Wundos
Noon @ Legion Park
(Platteville, WI)

Johnnie Walker
2 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Gypsy
2 PM @ Beer in the Barn
Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Big Night Out
2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery
(Guttenberg, IA)

Peosta Ville
2:30 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Jacque Miller
3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Cedar County Cobras
3 PM @ Tabor Home Winery
(Baldwin, IA)

Joseph John Valenti
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

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

Deer Tick, Sugadaisy
8 PM @ Codfish Hollow
Barnstormers (Maquoketa, IA)

TUE 9/10

Joseph John Valenti
6 PM @ Tony Roma's

WED 9/11

Mid-Week Market: Rianna Marie
5 PM @ 11th & Iowa St

Corey Jenny
6:30 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Jesse and Jordan
7 PM @ First Reserve

THU 9/12

Cruisin' Thursdays:
Jimmy Welty Band
5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
East DBQ, IL

Sea Shanty Song Circle
w/ Andreas Tranzo
7 PM @ The Lift

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

Joie Wails
7 PM @ Speakeasy Fifty50
(Platteville, WI)

FRI 9/13

Shannon Woulfe
5 PM @ Barrel Head Winery

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

Steve Cavanaugh &
Randy Droessler
6 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Joseph John Valenti
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Tapestry
6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
(Peosta, IA)

Forrest Mccurren
6 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
(Dyersville, IA)

Rock Steady
7 PM @ The Yardarm

Trivia
7 PM @ Beer in the Barn
Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Adrian Barragan
7 PM @ Off Shore Resort
(Bellevue, IA)

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon
7:30 PM @ Offside Bar & Grill

Nixon
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Elizabeth Mary Band
8 PM @ Q Showroom

Halfway To St Patricks:
Andreas Tranzo
8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Jordan Danielsen
8:30 PM @ Grape Escape
(Galena, IL)

Anthony Worden
9 PM @ The Lift



MISSISSIPPI MOON BARSM

Upcoming Entertainment



Satisfaction

SEPTEMBER 14 @ 8 PM

Satisfaction/The International Rolling Stones Tribute Show is the touring tribute show to the World's Greatest Rock & Roll Band. This Billboard and Pollstar highly rated show is now entering its 22nd year in production with more than 4,000 performances listed to their credit. The likes of Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, and cast bring a colorful performance to over 50 years of classic hits.



The Resistors

SEPTEMBER 7 @ 8 PM

The Resistors are a rock and roll band that covers music from across the '70s and into the present. This well-seasoned, versatile, Tri-State band brings a wide variety of fun and talent to the stage for all your dancing, listening, and entertainment needs.



Nixon

SEPTEMBER 13 @ 8 PM

Nixon is a Dubuque-based power quartet determined to rock your face off with music from the '60s to the '90s.

Additional Entertainment

COWBOY

SEPTEMBER 20 @ 8 PM

HARDWIRED

SEPTEMBER 21 @ 8 PM

KIND OF A BIG DEAL

SEPTEMBER 27 @ 8 PM

ONE NIGHT IN MEMPHIS

SEPTEMBER 28 @ 4 & 8 PM

JABBERBOX

OCTOBER 4 @ 8 PM

MADDIE & TAE

OCTOBER 5 @ 8 PM

ARCH ALLIES

OCTOBER 19 @ 8 PM

FRANK MARTIN BUSCH AND THE NAMES

OCTOBER 25 @ 8 PM

THE STRUTS

OCTOBER 26 @ 8 PM

WALKING MOLLY

NOVEMBER 9 @ 8 PM

DIAMOND JO 
C A S I N O

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

SAT 9/14
 Dubuque Farmers' Market:
 Sophie Coyote, Sam Day,
 Ace Jones
 7 AM @ Around 12th and Iowa St

Dubuque Farmers' Market:
 Daniel Eric
 9:30 AM @ Jubeck New
 World Brewing

Dubuque Oktoberfest
 11 AM @ Back Waters Stage

Jef Spradley
 Noon @ Galena Cellars
 Downtown (Galena, IL)

Mark Zalaznik
 1 PM @ Barrel Head Winery

Joie Wails
 1 PM @ PJ's Pub (Kieler, WI)

Dan Peart
 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard
 (Galena, IL)

Cal Coohy
 2 PM @ Olde Massey Station

DR Duo
 2 PM @ Highway 20
 Brewing Co (Elizabeth, IL)

Oktoberfest: Schniklefritz
 3 PM @ Jubeck New
 World Brewing

Secrets
 4 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern
 (Hazel Green, WI)

Johnnie Walker
 4 PM @ Son Chasers Social
 Club (Cassville, WI)

Cameron McCallister
 5 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

Austin Scott
 5 PM @ Galena Cellars
 Downtown (Galena, IL)

Jef Spradley
 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Rock Steady
 6:30 PM @ Whitetail Bluff
 Campground (Cassville, WI)

Massey Road
 7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Brushfire Bandits
 7 PM @ The Yardarm

Ozzy & Bon JoeB
 7 PM @ Beer in the Barn
 Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

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

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

Dolly, Reba, and Friends
 7 PM @ Ohnward Fine Arts
 Center (Maquoketa, IA)

Satisfaction: International
 Rolling Stones Tribute Show
 8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Dirty Honey, The Band Feel
 8 PM @ Q Showroom

Big Night Out
 8 PM @ Asbury Eagles Club
 (Asbury, IA)

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

Halfway To St Patricks:
 Andreas Transo
 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
 Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Horseshoes & Hand Grenades,
 Flash In A Pan
 8 PM @ Codfish Hollow
 Barnstormers (Maquoketa, IA)

Hemlock, Hashman and the
 Carpet Surfers, Tu'Mera
 9 PM @ Smokestack

SUN 9/15
 Lexi Healy
 1 PM @ O So Good Winery
 (Dyersville, IA)

Massey Road
 2 PM @ Rivers Massey Marina

Danny Parker Project
 2 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Kristina Marie Castañeda
 2 PM @ Champagne on Main
 (Galena, IL)

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

DR Duo
 3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

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

The Mixed Emotions Band
 3 PM @ The Big House
 (Petersburg, IA)

River Glen
 3:30 PM @ Bee Branch
 Amphitheater

Cal Coohy
 5 PM @ Pint's River Bar
 (Millville, IA)

Sea Shanties & Pub Songs:
 Andreas Transo
 6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
 Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

David Dondero
 9 PM @ The Lift

Cruisin' Thursdays:
 Stone Wolf Trio
 5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
 East DBQ, IL

Steve McIntyre
 7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
 Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Pat Jones Acoustic Assassin
 7:30 PM @ Grape Escape
 (Galena, IL)

Cooper Alan
 8 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Brett Westgrove
 8 PM @ Heritage Center

FRI 9/20
 John Gay
 5 PM @ Barrel Head Winery

6th Annual Oktoberfest: Barefoot
 Becky & The Ivanhoe Dutchmen
 5 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
 (Dyersville, IA)

Shannon Woulfe
 5:30 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse
 (Peosta, IA)

The Mixed Emotions Band
 6 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Elizabeth Mary
 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

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

Brushfire Bandits Duo
 7 PM @ First Reserve

Who Are These Guys
 7 PM @ The Yardarm

Cowboy: The Ultimate Kid Rock
 Tribute Band
 8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

TJ the DJ
 8 PM @ Q Showroom

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

Katie Sullivan
 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
 Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Brian Beard
 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard
 (Galena, IL)

Oktoberfest: Joie Wails
 1 PM @ Highway 20 Brewing Co
 (Elizabeth, IL)

DR Band
 2 PM @ Galena Horsepower
 Farm (Galena, IL)

Danny Parker Project
 2 PM @ Grape Escape
 (Galena, IL)

6th Annual Oktoberfest: Barefoot
 Becky & The Ivanhoe Dutchmen
 2 PM @ Textile Brewing Co
 (Dyersville, IA)

Mississippi Band
 4 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

Rock Steady
 4 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern
 (Hazel Green, WI)

Maqtoberfest:
 The Muzik Krauts @ 4 PM
 Surf Zombies @ 6 PM
 Downtown Green Space
 (Maquoketa, IA)

Meghan Davis
 5 PM @ Galena Cellars
 Downtown (Galena, IL)

Daniel Eric
 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Midwest Megan
 6 PM @ Frenress Lake Bar
 & Grill (East DBQ, IL)


The Other Two
 6 PM @ O So Good Winery
 (Dyersville, IA)

Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia
 7 PM @ Jubeck New
 World Brewing

Cameron McCallister
 7 PM @ Riverboat Lounge

Big Night Out
 7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Hard Salami
 7 PM @ The Yardarm



180 MAIN ST, DBQ @THELIFTDUBUQUE
 (UNDER VINNY VANNUCHI'S)

FRI 8/30 • 9 PM • FREE
**CHAPPED LIPS,
 SKINNY AND THE SHAKES,
 SHOOBIE, TU' MERA**

THU 9/5 • 9 PM • FREE
BOB LOG 3

THU 9/12 • 7 PM • FREE
**SEA SHANTY SONG CIRCLE
 W/ ANDREAS TRANSO**

FRI 9/13 • 9 PM • FREE
ANTHONY WORDEN

SUN 9/15 • 9 PM • FREE
DAVID DONDERO

MON 9/16 • 9 PM • FREE
**20 WATT TOMBSTONE,
 RIFF AND THE HEIST**

THU 9/26 • 9 PM • \$20
TELEKINETIC YETI

DRINK SPECIALS
 DAILY • \$2 WHISKEY MIXERS +
 \$3 HAPPY MEALS (PBR/OLD CROW)
 WED • \$4 CALL LIQUOR
 THU • \$3 DOMESTIC BOTTLES
 FRI & SAT (5-7 PM) • \$2 OFF TAP BEERS
 SUN • \$2 OFF JAMESON + GUINNESS

PUZZLE ANSWERS

PUZZLES ON PAGE 44
 GENERAL BOB IS AT VOICES STUDIOS

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MON 9/16
 20 Watt Tombstone, Riff and the Heist
 9 PM @ The Lift

WED 9/18
 Mid-Week Market: Pennyroyal
 5 PM @ 11th & Iowa St

Jimmy Welty Band
 6 PM @ Back Bar (Platteville, WI)

THU 9/19
 Rock Steady
 5 PM @ Jimmy's Pub
 (East DBQ, IL)

Cowboy: The Ultimate Kid Rock
 Tribute Band
 8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Shannon Woulfe
 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's
 Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

SAT 9/21
 Dubuque Farmers' Market:
 D'Allan Rice
 7 AM @ Around 12th and Iowa St

Dubuque Farmers' Market:
 Maureen Kilgore
 9:30 AM @ Jubeck New
 World Brewing

Shannon Woulfe
 1 PM @ Barrel Head Winery



BUT WAIT... THERE'S MORE!
 VIEW OUR FULL
 NIGHTLIFE LIST
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Ongoing & Recurring Nightlife

SUNDAY

Disco Brunch w/ DJ SaladSpinner
9 AM @ Convivium Urban Farmstead
2nd Sun

Chris Ross
11 AM @ Breitbach Country Dining & Skip Breitbach Feeds (Balltown, IA)
Through 10/27

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

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

Open Mic & Sketch Group w/ Addison Aronson
4 PM @ Smokestack
7th Sun

MONDAY

Taproom Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia
6:30 PM @ The Corner Taproom (Cascade, IA)
2nd Mon

Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia
6:30 PM @ Textile Brewing Co (Dyersville, IA)
7th & 3rd Mon

Comedy Under Monk's Open Mic
8 PM @ Monk's Kaffee Pub

TUESDAY

Trivia w/ Think & Drink
7 PM @ Dog House Lounge
2nd & 4th Tues

Trivia w/ Triviawithbrett
7 PM @ Riverboat Lounge
No event on 12/31

Analog Listening Room
7 PM @ Smokestack

Comedy Nights Open Mic
7 PM @ Southend Tap

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

Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia
7:30 PM @ Backpocket DBQ

WEDNESDAY

Mid-Week Market
5 PM @ 11th & Iowa St
Through 9/25

Trivia w/ Triviawithbrett
6 PM @ Hy-Vee Locust

Blues Jam
w/ The Mighty Mudcats
6 PM @ Smokestack
2nd-5th Wed

Trivia For Dorks
7 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

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

Open Mic
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Trivia w/ GQ Entertainment
7 PM @ Lina's Lounge

Jazz Night Open Mic
w/ DZ Combo
7 PM @ Smokestack
7th Wed

Karaoke
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill
2nd & 4th Wed

Jester's Court Open Mic
w/ D'Licious
8 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

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

THURSDAY

Millwork Night Market
5 PM @ 7th-9th & Jackson St
2nd Thu through 10/10

East Dubuque Cruisin' Thursdays
5 PM @ Sinsinawa Ave,
East DBQ, IL
Through 9/26

Bingo
6 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

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

Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia
6:30 PM @ Round Two (Peosta, IA)

Rock Star Bingo
7 PM @ 7 Hills Brewing Co

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

Karaoke w/ GQ Entertainment
7 PM @ The Market at the Tap (Monticello, IA)

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

Open Mic w/ Chad Olson Jr.
8 PM @ Smokestack

Karaoke
9 PM @ Southend Tap

FRIDAY

Karaoke w/ Denise
7 PM @ Northside Bar

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

Trivia Night
6 PM @ Maquoketa Brewing (Maquoketa, IA)
7th 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

Dubuque Farmers' Market
7 AM @ 11th-13th and Iowa St
Through 10/26

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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OTHERSIDE LUNCH SPECIALS

AUGUST

29 Bacon Cream Cheese Spaghetti
30 Meatloaf

SEPTEMBER

2 Hot Beef
3 Pineapple Chicken
4 O.S. Chicken
5 Ricobene's Steak Sandwich
6 Wedge Salad
9 Lasagna
10 Monte Cristo
11 O.S. Chicken
12 Panzerotti
13 Meatball Subs

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 29 @ 8 PM

BACK WATERS STAGE

(1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD)

Riley Green closes out Q Casino's summer series at Back Waters Stage on Thursday, Aug. 29 at 8 p.m. He's bringing special guest John Morgan to open the show.

Riley Green has been compelling country music fans to raise a drink, shed a tear, and, above all, celebrate where they are from, since first releasing his self-titled EP in 2018. His songs like the No. 1 Platinum hit "There Was This Girl" the 2X-Platinum-certified heart-tugger "I Wish Grandpas Never Died" which he performed live at the 55th ACM Awards; and his chart-topping collab with Thomas Rhett, "Half of Me" have made Riley synonymous with what country music does best: making

listeners feel something with his no-gimmick, relatable writing and classic feel.

An avid sports fan, former athlete (Jacksonville State University quarterback) and outdoorsman, Riley is riding a wave of success after being named the Academy of Country Music's 2020 New Male Artist of the Year, a former Music Row Breakout Artist of the Year, a CMT "Listen Up Artist," and one of CRS's 2020 New Faces. Now playing to an average of 65,000 fans each night serving as direct support for Morgan Wallen and Luke Combs this year, Green headlined the Rock The South festival and is selling out his own headlining shows. Combs, joins Riley on his current Top 30-and-climbing single "Different 'Round Here (Ft. Luke Combs)," the title track to Riley's 2019 debut album that he re-recorded with Combs after seeing how fans connected to it.

His new album, *Ain't My Last Rodeo*, is more of the signature Riley Green fans have come to know and love from the good ol' boy who still lives in his hometown of Jacksonville, AL. The new project is due on Oct. 13.

Tickets are \$74.99 for GA and \$94.99 for Turpin Tailgate Zone. The show is held rain or shine. Tickets can be purchased at BackWatersStage.com. ■



Dolly, Reba, and Friends

FEATURING BROOKE BYAM AND FRIENDS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 7 PM

OHNEWARD FINE ARTS CENTER

(1215 E PLATT ST, MAQUOKETA, IA)

Brooke Byam and friends bring Dolly, Reba, and Friends to the Ohnward Fine Arts Center in Maquoketa, IA on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m.

Prepare yourself for a hilarious country revue show filled with classic hits and surprise guests. From Reba to Dolly and countless friends in between, this comedic extravaganza is guaranteed to make you laugh, reminisce, and fall in love with the timeless songs of our past. Don't miss Brooke Byam, Dustin Weiss, and Eli Traum as they bring these beloved tunes to life, backed by an incredible live band.

Brooke Byam was born and raised in Clinton, IA. She grew up in a log cabin and loved listening to country music. At an early age, you could find Brooke singing along with Loretta Lynn and Patsy Cline records. At 3 years old, Brooke had her first stage appearance at a supper club called Woody's Rendezvous. She sang "I Just Called to Say I Love You." From that moment on, Brooke knew what she wanted to be. Brooke discovered a passion not only for singing but for song writing as well. At the early age of 16, one of her songs made it into a 20th Century Fox movie, in which Brooke had the opportunity to perform her song on the silver screen. Through her music career, she has performed for a Vice President of the United States, was Miss Clinton County 2000, Miss Iowa 2001 semi-finalist, selected for *American Idol*, and opened for numerous national recording artists. Her journey eventually led her to Nashville, TN where she has had the opportunity to perform with Nashville's finest musicians.

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



LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES

THU 8/29



Alyssa Hankey

6 PM @ BEER IN THE BARN BREWERY

(101 MAIN ST, ST. DONATUS, IA)

COVER: FREE

A traveling troubadour born and raised in the hills of rural western Pennsylvania. Alyssa's music is unmistakable with influences that span across many genres. Her lyrics bring you into the heart of the steel mills and the bucolic landscape of rural America. gehlenhouseandbarn.com.

FRI 8/30



Johnnie Walker

7 PM @ OFF SHORE RESORT (BELLEVUE, IA)

COVER: FREE

Johnnie Walker has been entertaining audiences for decades. Johnnie provides more than just music; he brings his audience in and connects in a way that makes sure they're having fun. His song catalog is extensive and covers many different genres to make sure every audience member hears something that they'll love. OffShoreResort.net.

MON 9/2



16th Annual BeatleFest

11 AM @ SPRING GREEN GENERAL STORE

(137 S ALBANY ST, SPRING GREEN, WI)

COVER: FREE

Fourteen regional music acts will play a huge portion of The Beatles catalog from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be loads of opportunities to dance and sing along. On Labor Day in 2009, a group of local bands performed in the backyard of the general store to celebrate Todd Miller's 50th birthday. It was so much fun that it became an annual event called BeatleFest. Todd will be performing this year with his band Sugar Mama and the Rent Check at 3:05 p.m. All ages and well behaved dogs are welcome. springgreengeneralstore.com.



Blueberry Jam Music Festival: The Brews Brothers and Tiger Kings

2 PM @ SANDY HOOK TAVERN

(3868 BADGER RD, HAZEL GREEN, WI)

COVER: \$10

A bunch of mildly disheveled misanthropic-looking musicians with a twinkle of mischief in their eyes converge to back up two fedora-wearing, hard-charging, black suit and shades-wearing bluesmen known throughout the land as the Brews Brothers. This tribute show is rollicking fun and full of great guitar work, a powerful horn section, and one harmonica-wielding briefcase. It's going to be a party. We know this because it always is! The annual Sandy Hook party welcomes The Brews Brothers

and the Tiger Kings for a fundraiser for the Garrett Wade Stephens Memorial Fund and other local charities. [facebook.com/SandyHookTavern](https://www.facebook.com/SandyHookTavern).

FRI 9/6



Driftmore Music & Arts Festival
DRIFTMORE GROUNDS (PLATTEVILLE, WI)
 9/6-9/7. Two days, three stages, and on-site camping make up this music and arts festival in Platteville, WI. The lineup features Green Lion Crew, Medicine Plalce, Mesck, Woven Thorns, and a slew of other artists. Drift more and discover the freedom of open fields, real people, and the sounds of tomorrow. [driftmoremusicfest.com](https://www.driftmoremusicfest.com).

FRI 9/13



Anthony Worden
9 PM @ THE LIFT (180 MAIN ST, LOWER LEVEL)
COVER: FREE
 For Anthony Worden, the process of moving past an onslaught of sudden grief crystalized in an Iowa City basement, and—over the course of half a year of writing and rehearsing with his band, the Illiterati—took on the form of his fifth studio album, *Plain Angels*. It create a picture of bitter-sweet acceptance, uplifted by Worden’s candid lyricism and the Illiterati’s refreshing approach to contemporary rock—which feels as indebted to ’70s new wave as it does in early 2000s power pop. Taken all at once, *Angels* presents a portrait of taking change in stride, a reminder that the only way out is through, and the importance of turning to others in times of trouble. [facebook.com/theliftdubuque](https://www.facebook.com/theliftdubuque).

SAT 9/14



Dirty Honey, The Band Feel

8 PM @ Q SHOWROOM
(1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD)
TICKETS: \$29

Dirty Honey is bringing their Can’t Find the Brakes Tour to Q Casino along with special guest The Band Feel. In October 2019, Los Angeles-based quartet Dirty Honey made history as the only unsigned artist in *Billboard’s* near four-decades to hit No. 1 on the magazine’s Mainstream and Hard Rock Charts with its debut single, “When I’m Gone.” Their self-titled album debuted at No. 2 on the Current Hard Rock Chart, *Rolling Stone* featured them as “An Artist You Need To Know.” In May 2022 the band released its international EP/LP debut and headed to tour the UK and Europe. Since their weighty debut, Dirty Honey has opened for The Who, Guns N’ Roses, Slash with Alter Bridge, and The Black Crowes. [QCasinoAndResort.com](https://www.QCasinoAndResort.com).

SUN 9/15



River Glen

3:30 PM @ BEE BRANCH AMPHITHEATER
(533 LINCOLN AVE)
TICKETS: FREE

We love River Glen Breitbach and his amazing blending of bluegrass, folk, and an urban hip-hop feel that is new and modern while comfortable and engaging to a big audience. This special performance will be recorded on his home turf in Dubuque. Arrive at 3 p.m. for the 3:30 p.m. show. All ages are encouraged to join. [RiverGlenMusic.com](https://www.RiverGlenMusic.com).



Brett Westgrove

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 @ 8 PM
HERITAGE CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL (2255 BENNETT ST)

Rising country artist Brett Westgrove will perform a special event concert with a fresh Nashville style all his own on Thursday, Sept. 19 at 8 p.m. at Heritage Center.

Westgrove has toured across the country and shared stages with country music’s biggest acts including Luke Bryan, Jon Pardi, Travis Tritt, Tyler Hubbard, Walker Hayes, Neal McCoy, Eli Young Band, and more. His first album, *Somewhere Town*, was released in 2019 and gained regional radio success with “Somewhere Town” and “Sugar Honey Iced Tea,” followed by continued success with single releases “Truck Bed’s Good

For” and “Beautiful Crazy.” His newest single, “Memory Burns Like Whiskey,” hit country and Top 40 radio earlier this year.

The Nashville artist from rural Wisconsin spent his youth writing and playing music while also teaching himself the art of audio engineering. Westgrove moved to California shortly after high school and became a chief engineer and record producer. He then made the trek to Colorado where he earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in aerospace engineering from the University of Colorado at Boulder and began to command NASA spacecraft. But music kept calling him, so Westgrove sold most of his belongings and headed toward Nashville to begin paving his way through the country music industry.

With only a few dollars to his name, Westgrove began his life in the Music City living in his car with no heat in sub-freezing conditions. He showered at local gyms and spent his days writing, playing shows, and networking. It didn’t take long for Westgrove to become an in-demand artist at Nashville’s top honky tonks and to start touring the country with his new band.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the Heritage Center Farber Box Office; by phone at **563-585-7469**; or online at www.DBQ.edu/heritagecenter. ■

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SHORT STACK



CHICKEN & WAFFLES



IRISH BENEDICT

Charlie's Place

By Danny Fairchild

Dining in Galena is like Rules #34 and #35 of the internet, which state that if it exists, real or imaginary, there is a pornographic depiction of it (Rule #34 of the internet) and if there is no pornographic depiction of it... then check back in a couple of hours (Rule #35 of the internet), in that: No matter what your culinary craving, you can find it in Galena (Rule #34 of dining in Galena) and if you can't... then check back in a couple of hours (Rule #35 of dining in Galena).

Maybe Charlie's Place in Galena isn't the best place to compare cuisine with porn, even favorably, because that's not their vibe at all. But, like... what? Do you really think food can't be sexual? Seriously? Have you never had sex?

Sorry. Here's the point I'm trying to make: There have been several times in my life where I've made plans to meet up with friends in Galena, but we're on different schedules. Those friends are a little tired

and possibly hungover from some in-town obligation, but they're putting in the effort to meet up with you because you're worth it. Or they still see you as an obligation. Depending on your diagnosis. So it's breakfast and Bloody Marys for them, but it's lunch and Bloody Marys for you.

That, my friends, is the Oxford... Webster's... Funk & friggin' Wag-nalls definition of brunch.

That's not to say that Galena has been without its brunch spots. At its essence, Galena is brunch in Main Street form. But let's be honest: In Galena, while breakfast is given lip service as the long-proclaimed Most Important Meal of the Day, the emphasis is on lunch. And that's not a wrong take. But Galena needed a true brunch spot where care and reverence are equally distributed between the "br" and the "unch."

Hello, Charlie's Place, when did you get here? Yeah? Did you know you're cute? Tss, no YOU'RE cute, but whatever. Do you like breakfast? Cool. Do you like lunch? Cool. Do you like... oh, you're open 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., so no supper? That's cool. No, that's cool. By supper, I hope to be trying out all the hot sauces, balsamics, and olive oils I've collected, anyway.

So, like I said, porn isn't the vibe at Charlie's Place, so what IS the vibe? Well

for brunch, it's on the sunny side of Main Street Galena, but that won't affect your hangover much because it's shaded pretty well by the buildings on the other side of the street because it's Galena. But it still makes for a nice mourning-for-morning glow about the place. Not in an emo way, but in a "It's about damn time the world wakes up" way.

It gives the bottle-weary an easy glimpse of what might have been. That's the second official definition of brunch, beeteedubs.

There are plenty of tables for individual parties, but if you're like us, you'll sit at one end of a long banquet table only to have another party join you at the other end of the banquet table. But both parties are able to mind their own damn business with ease. Seriously, my social anxiety had its hackles up, but it worked out fine. These days it is a common brunch thing, TBH. And come on: We accept such things at Japanese steakhouses, so why stop there?

You know what? Here's the vibe, and I can't give a better compliment when it comes to service: It's the kind of place that has creamers in a bowl on the table but their pancake syrup in a BBQ-joint squeeze bottle instead of your IHOP-esque little dispensers. It seems like it's

the kind of place where you'll have to wait two hours for a friggin' shortstack... but the food comes FAST, well before your uncle tells his opening racist joke.

And the food will shut his racist face up for good. Because it's good. So good that it'll shut YOUR racist face up for good, too. C'mon. Don't pretend you don't have your racist blind spots.

Since we talked about the syrup, let's talk about the pancakes. Even if you don't order pancakes, you still want a good brunch spot to have good pancakes, right?

Yes, my friends, the pancakes are good. Remember a few issues back where I talked about how diners add malted milk powder to their pancake recipe? I can usually spot it easily. I could snort malted milk powder like a malted 8-ball. If Charlie's does it (and no shame in that game. It's good because it's good) they use it subtly. The real surprise comes from a strong-but-not-overpowering taste of vanilla. I'm not sure if that vanilla is in the pancakes or infused in the accompanied whipped cream, but after a certain point, it's all the same. The flavor is there, and it's wonderful.

This segues nicely into the chicken and waffles I ordered because I love ordering chicken and waffles. Either the



PHILLY CHEESESTEAK



BLOODY MARY



COWBOY CORN BITES

vanilla was in the whipped cream or Charlie's Place uses a different batter for their waffles because it was absent in the chicken and waffles. Which is fine. Vanilla goes well with most things, and chicken goes well with most things, but I certainly don't need vanilla plus chicken in my life. Two great tastes that taste like murder-suicide together.

But no. There's a light sweetness to the waffles because that's how they work, but it balances the savory of the fried chicken the way chicken and waffles do. And I HAVE to call out the nicely breaded chicken breast splayed out obscenely the full width and breadth of that waffle... like Burt Reynolds' centerfold in *Cosmo*. Hmm... Maybe porn IS the right vibe, after all.

Oh! Since I'm so focused on brunch, I should talk about the Bloody Mary. Look at the accompanied picture. With the bacon and pepperoni slices, and cornichon, and pepperoncini, and olive and celery and cheese cubes (below the surface) one might rightly call that mofa a LOADED Bloody Mary. Charlie's Place doesn't, though. That's just their normal Bloody Mary. I guess that's not surprising. We've been in a Bloody Mary cold war for years, and nobody is abiding by ANY of the non-proliferation pacts. The

rimmer is kind of a peppery bacon salt, too. In case you weren't already sold.

We also got in on some apps. Cowboy Corn Bites, they call 'em. I call them deep-fried corn chowder balls. Oh! Speaking of chowders, soups, et. al., my entree came with the soup of the day. The soup of the day was chicken à la king. My dad used to make chicken à la king for breakfast, served on toast. Great way to get rid of leftovers, which is what soup of the day should be all about. Savory, thick, and strong with chicken flavor, both natural and bouillon.

The Irish Benedict. Fun fact: If you don't serve at least one signature egg Benedict, you can't legally call it brunch. There's a law. Or if there isn't a law... then wait a few hours (Rule #35 of bureaucracy). So what are you getting into here with the Irish Benedict. Well... you can probably guess there's corned beef, right? Yup. Slow-cooked corned beef with a nicely poached egg with hollandaise, served on a wonderfully nooked and crannied English muffin. No kidding: Some of the best corned beef I've had in a while. It left me wanting more. We didn't get around to ordering the corned beef Reuben sandwich, but based on the corned beef alone, it's gotta be good.

The Philly Cheesesteak. I feel inadequate judging Philly cheesesteak sandwiches because they are so highly gatekept that this Iowa boy's opinion ain't often welcome. But also... screw the gatekeepers. Screw anybody who applies their No True Scotsman fallacy to food.

That said, I can see how you might be scared off by the menu description where it says that the Philly cheesesteak has roast beef on it. Even I can agree that roast beef does not a cheesesteak make. But don't worry. Somebody must have screwed up. It's not roast beef. It's wonderfully seared morsels of steak that no cheesesteak gatekeeper could object to. Also, so often in this world, you get a cheesesteak where the peppers and onions are mushy and unappealing. Screw that. A cheesesteak should be a stir-fry sandwich. But 'cept with cheese. And that's what you get at Charlie's. The vegetables are done but have retained some crisp, toothy, not-overcooked yumminess. The cheese is Swiss, in case you have strongly held opinions about what cheeses, Whiz or otherwise, belong on a cheesesteak.

Charlie's Place respects breakfast. Charlie's Place respects lunch. Charlie's Place respects them both enough to do brunch proud. Your hungover friends from out of town will love it. ■



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Peachy Overnight Oats

MAKES 1 SERVING

All You Need:

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- 1 tbsp chia seeds
- ½ cup Fairlife 2% milk
- ¼ cup Chobani Zero Sugar Vanilla
- ½ cup peaches, sliced
- 1 tsp Hy-Vee cinnamon

All You Do:

1. Add oats and chia seeds to a jar. Mix in milk and yogurt.
2. Top with sliced peaches and cinnamon.
3. Place lid on the jar and refrigerate overnight.

Recipe adapted from: hy-vee.com



A Dietitian's Guide to Naturally Manage PCOS

By Hy-Vee Nutritionist Megan Dalsing

Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS) is an endocrine disorder that affects 1 in 10 women and is the leading cause of female infertility. It's a condition where tiny follicles can be built around the ovaries, usually caused by hormone imbalance. In honor of September being PCOS Awareness Month, our Hy-Vee dietitians wanted to share our top tips as registered dietitians on how to balance hormones and manage PCOS naturally.

Most women with PCOS are told to lose weight (which can be very difficult with PCOS) or to just go on a birth control pill to help treat their symptoms. The key to treating your symptoms is to find the root cause of your hormone imbalance. Typically, we see the most common causes of PCOS are insulin resistance, inflammation, adrenal stress, or any combination of these. Let's dive into some strategies that can help naturally manage these!

Manage Blood Sugar Levels

Managing blood sugar is especially important if insulin resistance is the root cause of your PCOS. Balancing blood sugar starts with having a balanced meal. We recommend using the plate method where you have half of your meal non-starchy vegetables, a quarter protein, and a quarter complex carbohydrates.

For better blood sugar balance, you also want to try to have at least 25 to 30 grams of protein at breakfast (see the Peachy Overnight Oats recipe below for a yummy option). For balanced snacks, be sure to pair fiber and protein together, like baby carrots, cherry tomatoes, and cucumber slices with Good Foods dip. Regular exercise can also help with blood sugar balance. Even just a 5 to 10 minute walk after a meal can help.

Reduce Inflammation

Working on reducing inflammation is key if inflammatory PCOS is your root cause. Eating a balanced diet (see the

plate method discussed above) does wonders for this and includes more omega-3 fatty acid foods. These foods include tuna, salmon, chia seeds, flaxseeds, and walnuts.

Improving gut health can also help reduce inflammation, so eating more fermented foods like yogurt, kefir, kombucha, and kimchi can be beneficial. However, underlying food sensitivities could be the source of your inflammation, so you'll want to have a medical professional help you check for this as well. Good Food dips are a great option if you do because they are free of the top nine allergens, gluten-free, and vegan.

Manage Stress

Reducing stress is the primary target if you have adrenal PCOS. For this, you'll want to aim for seven to eight hours of adequate sleep every night, as this can significantly reduce stress and help your body better adapt to it. Of course, utilizing the plate method for balanced meals can also help reduce stress (specifically, not skipping meals).

With adrenal PCOS, you also want to avoid overexercising, as this can worsen your hormone imbalance rather than improve it. Take 30 minutes of exercise two to three days a week and remember to embrace the rest days. To reduce stress, also be mindful of your caffeine intake, as overconsuming caffeine can worsen symptoms.

What To Do Next

Now, you might be thinking, "How do I know the root cause of my PCOS?" Getting specific lab tests such as fasting insulin, HgA1c, DHEA-S, total testosterone, and vitamin D can help pinpoint your root cause. This is where you will want to work with a Hy-Vee dietitian to help! We can review your medical history, lab work, and symptoms to help decipher your root cause and provide a clear path forward.

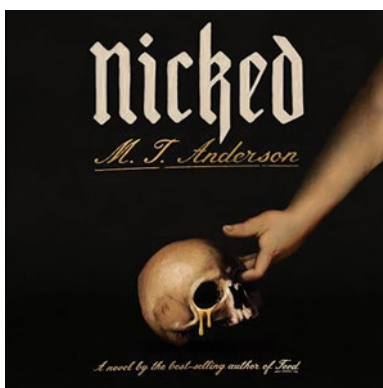
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Nicked

By John McAndrew

The only thing better than a fun book recommended by a good friend is one with a small dictionary's worth of new, if not always useful, vocabulary. Thanks for the recommendation, Julia.

Author M.T. Anderson's CV is rich with accolades. He won the National Book Award for Young Readers for his book *The Pox Party*. He was nominated for the same award for his books *Feed* and *The Assassination of Brangwain Spurge*. If you like his new historical novel for adults, *Nicked*, you can find much more.

Beginning with the title, Anderson proves his bona fides as a logophile. This is the story of how a ragtag crew of rapscllions, including a monk, stole—i.e., nicked—the bones of Saint Nicholas—Nick, to his friends. (Or Santa, but that's a different story.) It is based on the true story of thieves from Bari, Italy who traveled to Myra, Turkey to steal St. Nicholas's bones for Bari's faithful. There was a fair amount of that going on back then. If someone doesn't make a movie of this, they're crazy.

This takes place just after the turn of the first millennium of the Christian era. Nicholas had been resting more or less peacefully for 700 years. After his death, he became known as—new vocabulary!—a thaumaturge, a worker of miracles. Healings, recovery of a child sold into slavery, guiding mariners, that sort of thing. Who doesn't love a thaumaturge? But being in such high demand has its own problems. Nicholas needed guards around the clock because EVERYBODY was trying to steal his bones and take them home for themselves. Weird times. But the gods' ways are not our ways.

The gods, yes. Plural. All the swashbuckling, sea battles, flirtations, and chicanery are complicated by the clashes of beliefs and cultures. There are Christians, Muslims, and pagans in the mix. One group's believers are another group's unbelievers.

Nicked can be read as a simple, engaging lark. But there are fascinating

crossroads here: Christian and Muslim. Sacred and profane. Sin and sanctification. Faith and doubt. This is comfortable territory for people of faith, for whom paradoxes are commonplace.

Perhaps the most ubiquitous conflict (or is it synergy?) here is between commerce and piety. When you believe that relics have miraculous properties, you soon realize that there aren't many of these items that so many people desire. *Et voilà!* Like a revelation, the law of supply and demand appears.

As do deceit and theft. Because how is one to know that that finger in that reliquary is actually the finger of Catherine of Siena? (I have seen this finger; also the head, with the sneering lip, in a separate reliquary to its left.) Or that this splinter is a part of the true cross? (Mom had a rosary with such a splinter. It came with a story that the true cross, when harvested for splinters, would regenerate. Miracles demand more miracles.)

The story of the heist itself is quite cinematic. Will the Saint Hunter find the actual bones of Saint Nick? What part will be played by the monk who will not lie? What is to be done with the spoiled brat from Venice who was also sent to steal Nick's bones? What of the cynocephale—new word!—who barks orders, skulks in alleyways, and has a very sensitive nose? And the perennial puzzle—*what to do about the EUNUCHS?*

Saints and sinners, journeying together. Is it a holy quest or is it a criminal enterprise? Why not both? I'm sorry, were you looking for moral clarity? For that, you should read something simple. Chaucer, for example.

In about 200 pages, you will encounter the phrase, "the saint's miraculous grease," and other wonders of storytelling. By the end, you may find yourself online, shopping for more of Mr. Anderson's books. Or perhaps for a comfortable triclinium or a flattering jubbah. Stranger things have happened.

You will have certainly learned one lesson: Don't die a saint. Or you will never rest in peace. In pieces, sure. But not in peace.

My next review will also be of a book recommended by a friend. It will also be a clash of cultures: A book by a lifelong conservative, reviewed by a lifelong liberal. 'Tis the season! ■

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

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BEETLEJUICE BEETLEJUICE (PG-13)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Beetlejuice is back! After an unexpected family tragedy, three generations of the Deetz family return home to Winter River. Still haunted by Beetlejuice, Lydia's life is turned upside down when her rebellious teenage daughter, Astrid, discovers the mysterious model of the town in the attic and the portal to the Afterlife is accidentally opened. With trouble brewing in both realms, it's only a matter of time until someone says Beetlejuice's name three times and the mischievous demon returns to unleash his very own brand of mayhem.



Movie Buzz

Heat 2 is getting closer. Director Michael Mann writes, "I'm working on the script seven days a week, and it's large. It's as large as the original, which was two hours and forty-five minutes. Some of what the characters do is evolved beyond the novel itself, particularly the Christian Hurley character in the fourth part of it, the last act of it." The original starred DeNiro and Pacino. Global shooting hopes to begin at the end of this year.



Shunning retirement, director Francis Ford Coppola speaks about what his next directorial plans are following this year's *Megalopolis*. He spoke of two potential projects including a drama set in England. The other project is titled *Distant Vision* and would chronicle "three generations of an Italian American family" much like the director's own family. "I would finance it with whatever *Megalopolis* does. I'll want to do another roll of the dice with that one."



Kevin Costner still has hope for the future of the *Horizon: An American Saga* franchise, amid serious box office struggles. *Chapter 1*, released on June 28, failed to earn back its budget (\$34.3 million of \$50 million) at the box office. With *Chapter 2*'s theatrical release in question, the other two movies in the franchise are also in danger. "It's been the hardest thing I've ever done, but I love this movie. I love the second one—and the third one's even harder than the first two, and the fourth one completes the story. I've already shot a little bit of the third and perhaps will shoot them back to back next spring."



Keanu Reeves was reportedly in consideration for the role of Master Sol before it ultimately went to Jung-jae for the recently cancelled *Star Wars: The Acolyte* Disney+ series. While Reeves didn't get the chance to star alongside his co-star from *The Matrix*, *Star Wars* is reportedly still interested in casting the actor in another project. Given that there are several upcoming movies in the works, Reeves certainly still has a chance to make his franchise debut, especially as a famous fancast for *Knights of the Old Republic*'s Darth Revan.





The Pocket-Sized Powerhouse

By Matt Booth

In our hands, we carry a small, yet incredibly powerful device in our pockets that would have been unimaginable just a few decades ago. This small, pocket-sized marvel connects us to over a billion people worldwide. It knows where we are at any given moment, stores our contact lists, and provides us with access to almost all of the knowledge that has ever been published. This device includes an artificial intelligence (AI) system that understands and responds to our language, one of the best cameras ever created, a video camera complete with editing tools, a universal translator, and even a heart rate monitor. It's a tool that can check real-time prices, listen to audiobooks, identify songs, plants, or birds, read restaurant reviews, and even assess the reputation of a doctor or lawyer. It can track the locations of loved ones and call a ride with just a tap.

But despite all this power and potential, what do we often use it for? Arguing with strangers online or watching short, silly videos.

Our smartphones are nothing short of revolutionary. They're the culmination of centuries of technological advancement, combining the functions of countless devices into one compact form. Imagine, for a moment, carrying a camera, a video camera, a personal assistant,

a GPS, a library, and a translator in your pocket. Just 20 years ago, this would have required multiple bulky gadgets, not to mention significant expense. Today, it's all there in a single device that fits comfortably in your hand.

This transformation has made life more convenient and connected than ever before. We can access information at a moment's notice, connect with loved ones across the globe, and manage our lives with unprecedented ease. From work to entertainment, from health to education, these devices have the potential to enhance almost every aspect of our lives.

However, the reality of how we often use our smartphones doesn't quite match up with their promise. While they are designed to empower us, many of us spend hours each day scrolling through social media, engaging in pointless online arguments, or watching endless streams of short, trivial videos. It's a bit ironic, isn't it? A device that could help us learn new languages, develop new skills, and stay informed about the world around us is often reduced to a tool for procrastination and distraction.

Why is this the case? Perhaps it's because the very design of these devices makes it easy to get sucked into the digital rabbit hole. Social media platforms and entertainment apps are engineered to keep us engaged, feeding us content tailored to our interests and habits. And while there's nothing inherently wrong with watching funny videos or chatting online, the concern arises when these activities start to dominate our time and attention.

So, what can we do to ensure that we're making the most of our smartphones? It starts with being more intentional about how we use them. Instead of mindlessly scrolling, we can choose to use our devices in ways that align with our goals and values. For instance, we can use them to learn something new every day, connect with people who inspire us, or simply be more mindful of our health and well-being.

It's also worth setting boundaries for ourselves. Just because our phones are always within reach doesn't mean we need to be on them constantly. Taking breaks from screen time, especially during meals or before bed, can help us maintain a healthier balance between our digital and real lives.

In the end, our smartphones are just tools—extraordinarily powerful ones, but tools nonetheless. How we use them is up to us. We have the power to choose whether they enhance our lives or distract us from what truly matters. So, the next time you pick up your phone, ask yourself, "Am I using this incredible device to its full potential, or am I just passing the time?" The answer could make all the difference. ■

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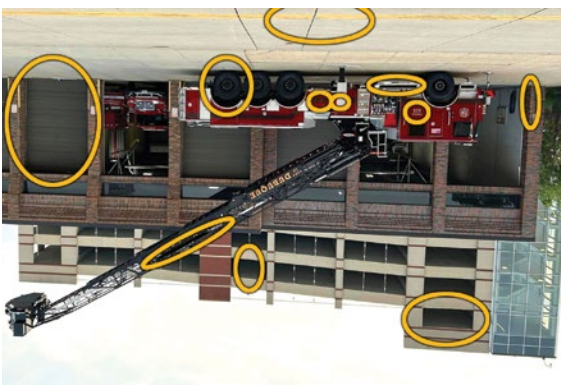


Spot the Difference

Can you spot 10 differences in this photo of the Dubuque Fire Department's newest truck #511? There are actually 11, but one might be too small to see in the paper. Can you spot it?



Spot the Difference Answers



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SUN 9/1

Buenie Family Picnic

9 AM @ IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH (NORTH BUENA VISTA, IA)
Inflatables, kids games, silent auction, handmade quilt auction, meat and candy wheel, and chicken and ham dinner. Country store opens at 9 a.m. All other activities start at 11 a.m. 218 Main St, North Buena Vista, IA. maryicjoseph.org.

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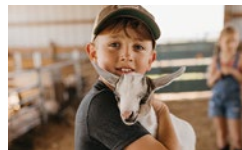


Movie Screening: Robot Dreams

6 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY
Based on the graphic novel by Sara Varon, and directed by Pablo Berger, *Robot Dreams* (2023) is an Oscar-nominated animated comedy/drama about an unusual friendship between a dog and a robot. This 1 hour 43 minute movie is not rated, and it has no dialogue. All ages. Free.

360 W 11th St. 563-589-4225.
carnegiestout.org.

SAT 9/7



Day at the Farm: Cows, Kids & Curds

2-4 PM @ BERNING ACRES (EAST DUBUQUE, IL)
Begin in the farm shop with beverages and cheese curds while learning about the farm history and background. Then, head out and about to tour the farm and interact with the animals. Finally, wrap it up back in the shop if you choose, sampling a variety of locally sourced cheeses curds and ice cream. The Berning kids will be happy to lead your little ones back to Little Kingdom for some more interactions with the farm friends. Or, maybe they want to saddle up on Gunner for a pony ride! All ages. \$55. 8850 N Menominee Rd, East Dubuque, IL. 563-543-8936. berningacres.com/visit.



Star Gazing

7:30-9:30 PM @ GALENA TERRITORY OWNERS' CLUB (GALENA, IL)
Check out the stars and night objects with a telescope, and feel free to bring your own. All ages. 2000 Territory Dr, Galena, IL. 815-777-2000. TheGalenaTerritory.com.

SUN 9/15



EAA Chapter 327 Free Airplane Rides

6 AM-12:30 PM @ DUBUQUE REGIONAL AIRPORT
The EAA Chapter 327 Young Eagles are offering free airplane rides for kids ages 8 to 17. 10965 Aviation Dr. 563-589-4128. Free. visityoung eaglesday.org.

FRI 9/20

Regional Junior and High School Rodeo

DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
9/20-9/22. The Wisconsin High School Rodeo association holds rodeo events throughout the weekend. Rodeo performances will be held Sept. 21 and 22. RSVP to compete by Sept. 12. 14569 Old Highway Rd. 563-588-1406. WHSRa.org.

SUN 9/29



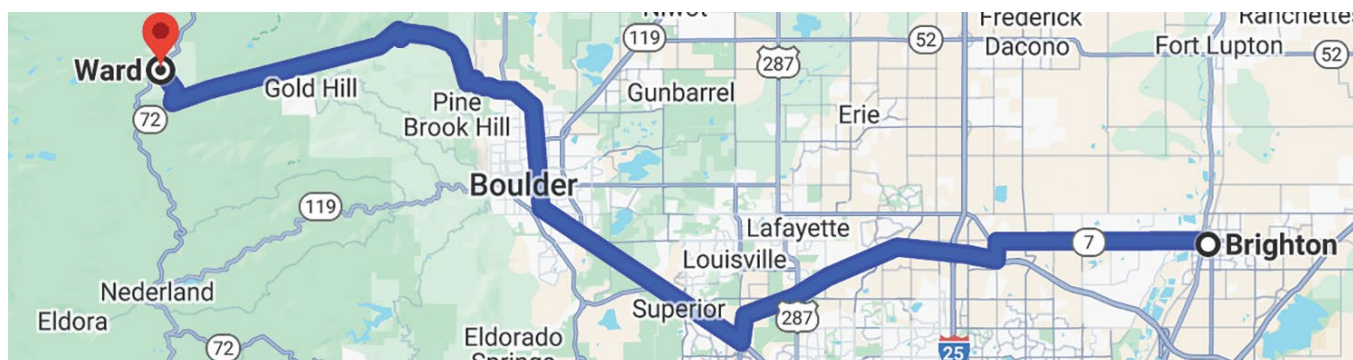
Cox Springs "A Day in the Life" Farm Festival

11 AM-7 PM @ COX SPRINGS FARM (PEOSTA, IA)
Enjoy a goat trek, goat yoga, wine tasting, food trucks, live music, and more. Adults: \$10 Adults; Kids: \$5. 11114 Cox Springs Rd, Peosta, IA. 563-580-6607. coxspringsfarm.com.

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THE GREEN PART IS THE MOUNTAINS!

My Colorado Home

By Pam Kress-Dunn

It's funny how nostalgic you can be about a place where terrible things happened.

The place with the place in my heart is Brighton, CO. Thirty miles north of Denver and east of Boulder, it's flat as a tortilla, but you can see the whole Front Range from there.

I moved there in 1977, shortly after a wedding in my parents' living room in Davenport, IA, and was as thrilled to be living near the Rockies as I was sad to be parted from the Mississippi. Brighton was a small town, with a blue-collar population of white, Hispanic, and Japanese folks. The Japanese settled there because their ancestors had been interred in camps nearby during World War II, a tragic reason to put down roots.

We had public schools, two groceries (Safeway and Hispanic), Mexican and Japanese restaurants, a Pizza Hut, a Penney's, and our share of gas stations, bars, and churches. Interstate 76 ran right through the west end of town. My husband and I lived in a tiny development of tiny mobile homes. I learned to say "mobile home" and not "trailer," not only because I lived in one, but because Chris worked for a company that sold them. He was the guy who pulled them down the road, set them up, and serviced them.

What I desperately wanted was a real house, a site-built home on a street with other young families—green lawns, picket fences, swing sets. Our mobile home was 10 feet wide with a 10-foot ceiling, a box so small, we had one bedroom and a washer but no dryer. Hanging the clothes out on a windy day was fine, but our towels dried into boards when the air was still. So we went house hunting, and when we found one, the bank crushed our dreams. Their deal for first-time buyers, it turned out, didn't apply to us because we already owned a "home." And so we moved up to a larger mobile home on the east side of town.

But this isn't about mobile vs. immobile homes. It's about nostalgia. After we moved, I gave birth to a daughter, then a son, and made friends among the town's other new moms. Our new home was 16 feet wide with three bedrooms, two baths, and a full laundry. I hosted birthday parties there, had my La Leche League friends over, and watched Allison and Daniel learn to crawl, walk, and run. It was home.

My best stories from Brighton all begin with the word "once." Once, I was in the Hispanic grocery, my daughter sitting in the cart, when my hands began to shake. I'd had so many chocolate chips that morning, my heart was in tachycardia. Once, at Safeway, I was buying last-minute ingredients for Christmas and was delighted to learn they were giving away loaves of bread, whose sell-by date was Dec. 25, the one day they were closed. Once, Allison was getting into her blow-up pool in the yard and picked up a rock. Just as she started to put it into her mouth, I realized it was a toad and made her fling it into the pool.

Then, more than once, my husband hit me. He threw me against the wall, put his hands around my neck, and choked me, all the while shouting about my many failings.

So I left him, three times, and I've written enough about that elsewhere. This is about Brighton, and as I left him, I left Brighton, too. My kids and I lived for a month with a friend in Boulder until I found an apartment in Northglenn, and after a year, I moved to Dubuque for another library job.

Despite growing up just 70 miles from Dubuque, I'd never been here. We may have passed through Dubuque—I recall a visit to the Dickeyville Grotto—but I knew nothing about it. All those years in Colorado, eight in all, had imprinted a different city onto my tabula rasa. We moved into a house on University, and I learned the basics of this new place—that there are no shortcuts, that some streets are scarily steep, and that

the public library was even better than the one I'd worked at in Colorado.

After a long time on my own, I met a good man, married him, and we began traveling. We went to Venice. We went to Cape Cod. We went to Door County. Finally, we went to Colorado. In my travel log, that trip reads, "Leadville, CO (and Brighton)." With an altitude of 10,119 feet, Leadville is the highest incorporated city in the U.S., an amazing place to stay. But I noted Brighton in parentheses as if we just snuck it into the trip. Driving through it made my heart sing.

Over the years, Brighton became Disneyfied. No longer a sleepy, low-wage town, it's a thriving, alarmingly modern-looking

city where every building seems shiny and new. Each time we drive through it, I say, "I hope it's still there!" shouting with relief when I see that yes, the Eastgate Mobile Home Park is not only still there, but thriving. The little trees of the 80s are tall and leafy, and the homes look like, well, homes.

This summer, we went through Brighton again on our way to a cabin in Ward, even having lunch at an upscale brewery on Main Street. After ascending to our cabin in the mountains, I spent an afternoon with my dearest friend from those years, 40 years after we'd last seen each other, holding our babies, sharing advice. That's a story for another time. She lives in Nederland now, 8,235 feet high, but we both have enduring memories of our time in Brighton, whether bitter or sweet. We both marvel at our little town's metamorphosis. We're both tremendously happy it's still there. ■

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PUZZLE PAGE

PUZZLE ANSWERS ON PAGE 32

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

FLAVOR NOT TO SAVOR

- ACROSS
- 1 Film blooper compilation
 - 8 Illinois and Iowa's trees
 - 12 "Bali —"
 - 15 Bushy hairdos, for short
 - 19 "Stephen," in Paris
 - 20 Cookie often twisted apart
 - 21 Boat mover
 - 22 Engrossed
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 26 Concerning
 - 27 Mil. title
 - 28 Lysol target
 - 29 D.C. insider
 - 30 Contribute one's share
 - 32 Kitchen pests
 - 34 Starts litigation
 - 39 Stop on —
 - 40 Riddle, part 2
 - 44 "— Misérables"
 - 45 Taking way too much, in brief
 - 46 Loud weather events, for short
 - 47 Inner city, informally
 - 50 Leopard markings
 - 53 "Eso —" (Paul Anka song)
 - 54 Riddle, part 3
 - 64 Cave effect
 - 65 Bovine beast
 - 66 Celebrity astrologer Sydney
 - 67 Omit, as a vowel
 - 68 College head
 - 69 Acrobats' springy apparatuses
 - 73 3/15, e.g.
 - 74 Map book
 - 76 Artist Dufy or film director Walsh
 - 77 Critical hosp. area
 - 78 Lock lips
 - 79 Riddle, part 4
 - 84 Tiny charged things
 - 85 "It wouldn't — first time"
 - 86 Poppa
 - 87 Intraparty rifts
 - 91 Vast South American plain
 - 95 Football coach Parseghian
 - 97 End of the riddle
 - 104 Awaken
 - 105 Arizona waterway with the Roosevelt Dam
 - 106 Vikings' tale, perhaps
 - 107 Novelist Hemingway
 - 109 Original "King Kong" studio
 - 110 Cast forth
 - 113 Moose's kin
 - 114 Art gallery in London
 - 115 Riddle's answer

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- 121 Drummer Burke or pitcher Labine
- 122 Iraq export
- 123 Full of zeal
- 124 Before now
- 125 The lady's
- 126 Norm: Abbr.
- 127 Sort
- 128 Lutz or axel performers
- 25 Juvenile
- 31 Must exist
- 33 Longtime NBC show inits.
- 35 Unconfined
- 36 "77 Sunset Strip" actor Byrnes
- 37 Biol. or anat.
- 38 Schlepped
- 41 Composer/pianist John
- 42 Facet
- 43 Actress Rae of "Vengeance"
- 47 Employed for the purpose of
- 48 Head for very quickly
- 49 So as to be 50% less
- 51 — about (around)
- 52 Hinders
- 53 Detective Phil Fish's wife on "Fish"
- 9 Consist of
- 10 Pub barrel
- 11 "The meal is ready!"
- 12 "— at the Moon" (1951 Hank Williams song)
- 13 Partner of 8-Down
- 14 — -Z ('80s Camaro)
- 15 "Yep, alas"
- 16 More hoarse
- 17 Ideal condition
- 18 High-minded sorts?
- 24 Duet plus one
- 72 Of a similar kind to
- 75 Rustling sounds
- 80 Place to live
- 81 Tech. schools
- 82 Channel for hoops fans
- 83 Zeus' wife
- 87 Elongate
- 88 Hymn with harmonies
- 89 Poltergeist, e.g.
- 90 "Evidently ..."
- 91 Oompah band music
- 92 Coin-op cafeteria
- 93 Bus, bigwig
- 94 Letter after upsilon
- 96 Reactions to cute babies
- 98 Maude's partner in a 1971 film
- 99 Intrusive plant
- 100 Military forces
- 101 Edmund Spenser's "The — Queene"
- 102 More hideous
- 103 Los Angeles hoops team
- 108 "Terrible" time for tots
- 111 Writer Dinesen
- 112 Reid of "Sharknado"
- 116 #1 song, e.g.
- 117 Climbing vine
- 118 Pointer
- 119 Lofty poem
- 120 Diner sandwich, for short

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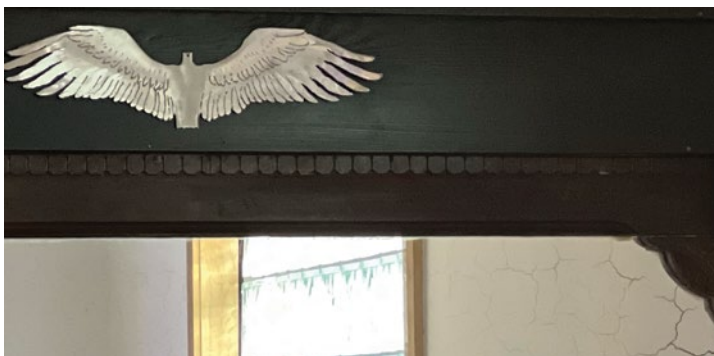
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DEAR ANGELA,

I work at Casey's making pizzas. This week, my boss gave us our mid-year reviews. I thought for sure I'd get told off for making up the special of the week and selling the "everything" pizza, which was just a regular cheese pizza topped with everything bagels. But nope, he told me I need to be friendlier. "Engage with the customers," he said. "Find small points of connection that'll make them think of your face as they bite into a hot and greasy slice." So yeah, I definitely don't want anyone thinking of me while they eat, but I made a half-hearted attempt to "be more chipper," as the boss says. Then, towards the end of my shift, we got a medium half Hawaiian/have sausage order for pick up. Pretty normal, I suppose. I was getting kinda tired and pretty uninspired, so when the guy came in to get it, I just said, "Have a good one," my usual go-to for all our customers. This guy stopped dead in his tracks and looked up from his pizza to stare off into the distance. As he stood there, a single tear rolled down his cheek.

After what felt like at least three minutes and 14 seconds, he blinked, shook his head as if to clear his thoughts, and walked out the door. Should I have said something else? What can I say to keep the boss happy while not freaking out the customers?
—Confused at Casey's

DEAR CONFUSED,

Wow, your boss sounds like a real piece of work. Have you tried the ol' little mermaid trick? You could write your boss a note explaining that you've sold your voice to a witch and won't be able to speak until you've found true love. I suppose that only works so long though, doesn't it? Because eventually your boss might get mad about the seagull

and crab hanging around, singing all the time. Here are a few suggestions that you could try: "Top of the mornin' to ya," "Ello gov'na," and "Ciao bella!" Better yet, start asking everyone to be your friend on Facebook. This is how I became friends with a random bartender in Miami who is always having way more fun than me according to his Facebook posts. I think if you try hard enough and focus on being disgustingly friendly, your boss will realize that you're better off keeping your mouth shut and making sure the pizza tastes good than worrying about connecting with the customers.

DEAR ANGELA,

I need to eat an entire cucumber. What is the best way to do it?
—Bountiful garden on Gordon Drive

DEAR BOUNTIFUL,

Quick bragging about your garden. We get it, you have so much more produce than the rest of us. But because I'm contractually obligated to answer all vegetable-based advice questions, I recommend baking it whole and then mashing it with some butter.

DEAR ANGELA,

It seems so ubiquitous—when checking out at a grocery store, drug store, hardware store, really any store, hearing "Have a good one." Recently, purchasing my take-out pizza, again I was wished "Have a good one," but why can't I have a *good two*, or a *good three*, or even a *good four* and, with a pizza, why can't I have a *good pi* (3.14) with my *good pie* (medium; half Hawaiian, half sausage)?
—Geno

DEAR GENO,

You're in Iowa, the birthplace of the pizza, and you're telling me you only order a medium? How do you have any leftovers? You're doing this all wrong. In fact, I didn't even know they still made medium-sized pizzas, what with inflation and all. At least you've got your facts straight: Pineapple does belong on pizza. The way to solve all your worries is to simply never order a single, lonely pizza ever again. Buy a whole stack, and the cashier will simply make a comment about the fun party you must be throwing instead of setting you off on an existential crisis.

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Dubuque County Library District

Tai Chi

Tai Chi consists of slow, fluid, gentle movements. It can be practiced almost anywhere and is accessible for individuals at any fitness level.



This 2 month twice weekly class is taught by a certified Tai Chi instructor and is suitable for beginners. Class is held Tuesday and Thursday mornings 11:00 – Noon September 3rd – October 31st. RSVP is required.

Asbury: Starts Tuesday, September 3, 11 AM



Chair Yoga

Come and stretch your body in the most relaxed way...from your chair! You'll get a full body strength and stretching workout from head to toe every time in only 60 minutes! The class runs September 13th – October 4th.

Asbury: Starts Friday, September 16th, 11 AM

Storytime

An exciting mixture of books, songs, music, dance, and more starting the first week in September.



Mondays: 10:30 AM in Epworth
Tuesdays: 9:00 AM in Peosta
+ 10:00 am in Farley or Holy Cross
Wednesdays: 9AM Asbury (Baby & Toddler)
+ 10:00 AM in Asbury (Preschool)

Dot Painting

Join us for an immersive library program exploring the rich tradition of Aboriginal dot painting! Learn the techniques and symbolism behind this unique art form while creating your own vibrant masterpiece. Designed for teens, but all are welcome.



Peosta: Tuesday, September 3, 4:30 PM
Asbury: Wednesday, September 4, 4:30 PM
Epworth: Thursday, September 5, 4:30 PM
Holy Cross: Wed., September 11, 4:30 PM
Farley: Thursday, September 12, 4:30 PM



Chess Club

Welcome to the timeless game of chess! Join us for engaging lessons where beginners and seasoned players alike can sharpen their skills and learn winning tactics and strategies. Designed for teens but adults welcome.

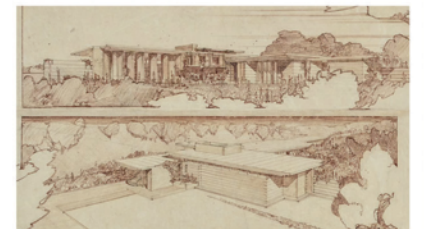
Peosta: Tuesday, September 10 & 24, 4:30 PM



Beginner Crochet

Interested in learning crochet? Join us for an introductory lesson on beginning crochet stitches. Yarn and hooks provided. Teens and adults welcome. RSVP recommended, drop-ins welcome.

Asbury: Friday, September 6, 4:30 PM
Peosta: Friday, September 13, 4:00 PM
Epworth: Wednesday, September 25, 4:30 PM
Farley: Thursday, September 26 @ 4:30 PM



Modern Architecture

Interested in Dubuque's rich architectural heritage? Learn all about Mid-Century Modern Architecture in Dubuque County with Tricia J. Baum from the Dubuque County Historic Preservation Commission.

Asbury: Wednesday, August 14, 6:00 PM
Peosta: Tuesday, September 10, 6:00 PM

Five Convenient County Library Locations...

- Asbury 5290 Grand Meadow Dr., 563-582-0008
- Farley Municipal Building, 206 1st St N., 563-744-3475
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Attempts to get your life together will be fruitless as you realize one sad truth: Your life already IS together and this is just the way it is.



TAURUS

(MAY 14–JUNE 19)

While your answer will be technically correct, spellcheck will screw you out of an easy A on your Health final for, “There is a *vast difference* between the epididymis and the urethra.”



GEMINI

(JUNE 20–JULY 20)

Making yourself the center of attention is not what they mean by “centering yourself.” Wait. This is MY zodiac sign. Oh, god. Have I been drawing undo focus from others who I love and admire and have far more to offer than I do? Oh, god. I... I need to rethink a few interpersonal relationships. Oof.



CANCER

(JULY 21–AUG 9)

Now is a great time to be bold! Which will be a nice change from being italicized. Next week will be important to emphasize, so you might want to be underlined. I wish I could say you have a guardian angel looking after you, but unfortunately you’re sans seraph.



LEO

(AUG 10–SEP 15)

You may feel like you’re stuck in a rut, but remember: “rut” is also a term for moose sex. Are you sure you feel like moose sex? If so, how the hell do YOU know what moose sex feels like?



VIRGO

(SEP 16–OCT 30)

You will start September off on an intimate note. I don’t know which notes are the intimate notes, but they’re probably played on the g-string, amirite?



LIBRA

(OCT 31–NOV 22)

It’s time to straighten out your finances. Which for you just means ironing your last five dollar bill so it’s crisp and pretty.



SCORPIO

(NOV 23–NOV 29)

It is the dawning of a new age for you and your place in the universe. However, don’t be too disappointed if it fizzles out. The Age of Aquarius never really got out of the dawning stage, either.



OPHIUCHUS

(NOV 30–DEC 17)

Sometimes you have to retreat in order to move forward. Or at least that’s what your dumbass boss keeps saying to get you excited about this year’s leadership retreat. But don’t you dare skip that retreat. Because your dumbass boss is going to get really drunk at that retreat. And believe me, you’re going to want video evidence of that entire night at your next annual review.



SAGITTARIUS

(DEC 18–JAN 8)

Now’s the time to really think about the big picture. I mean, think about it, dude, can you imagine your life in IMAX? That would be friggin’ epic.



CAPRICORN

(JAN 9–FEB 15)

No matter how many goals you achieve over the next few weeks, it’s still way too late to make the 2024 U.S. Olympic Soccer Team.



AQUARIUS

(FEB 16–MAR 11)

You may think you’re too cool for school, but that won’t stop the guy who keeps posterizing you on the ball court from taking you there.



PISCES

(MAR 12–APR 18)

The twin you killed in the womb still hasn’t forgiven you in the afterlife. Oh, wait. You didn’t know about your twin? Oh, man. This just like that episode of *The Waltons*. Now, some people don’t like the Jim-Bob episodes, but I do. He’s just a goofy kid. Anyway, your vanquished twin has a grave marker and everything. You should look into it.

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