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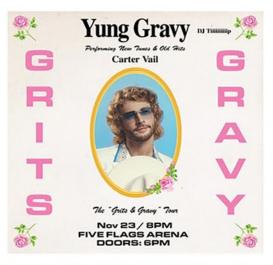












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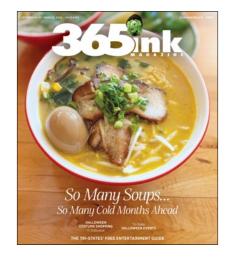


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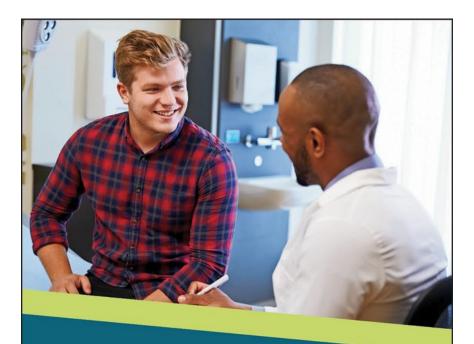
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I feel very bad for the people in the mountain towns of North Carolina and beyond who never thought in a million years that they would be the ones wiped out by a hurricane. Talk about bad luck. The outpouring of support from public and private sources has been great to see, even if, in this election year, fake news has flourished, trying to convince you that the government has done nothing to help these folks, instead spending it all on migrants.

First, let's not gloss over the fact that that word is used as though it means something other than "human beings like me." Despite being false, these claims flourish thanks to Trump making things up as he goes, which is super convenient and helpful in the wake of a hurricane disaster. While Biden did not use relief funds to house migrants, (wait for it) Trump did redirect the use of FEMA to the border in 2019, because of course he did. Legitimate news sources and FEMA itself have come out fast to debunk the fake charges which are diverting from where it needs to be right now, and despite the evidence presented, it has not stopped Trump or Vance from just keeping on saying it again and again, mainly because the people they are convincing with their rhetoric are not the kind of people who stop to fact check. Man, do those two guys really hate fact checkers. They're so inconvenient to invented narratives. Yes, this is real life, my friends.

So as this recovery from Hurricane Helena begins, there's already another one brewing. Apparently, Hurricane Milton is heading for the Gulf Coast of Florida and is growing at a ferocious pace not seen before. It looks to hit the state on Wednesday just as this issue will be printing, so I don't know what's going to transpire. But then again, if we give Trump a Sharpie and a map, I guess the storm might actually be threatening Alabama again and all of its registered voters. Sad, after they just got smacked by Tropical Storm Vanderbilt last weekend! Woot!

But as I look at news stories about preparing for Milton's arrival, I can't help but be just a bit unsympathetic, at least to the people right on the very edge of the state. I mean, RIGHT on the shoreline. Remember when Hurricane lan did over \$120 billion in damage to places like Fort Myers Beach taking a beating? Have you looked at Fort Myers Beach on a map? It's basically a tightly packed-in vacation and retirement community, completely filling very long and incredibly narrow, completely unprotected island-like land areas on the Florida shoreline. It's like they're

just taunting Mother Nature to come and wipe them out on a regular schedule. It's not like they are the recently devastated Asheville, NC which sits 100 miles inland from the east coast. While there are certainly many working-class people there, that edge of land by the Gulf is a strip of ridiculously expensive homes.

Don't get me wrong. I don't want anyone hurt, and I hate to see people who make their livelihood having that livelihood destroyed. But I don't really have a whole lot of empathy for the guy who might lose his \$5 million second home that he built right where the worst tropical storms in recorded history keep on pounding. You want to have a sexy dream house here, you roll the dice. And if you have the money to roll those dice, have at it. But when they line up along with the working people who provide the day-to-day services to support those dream homes to get relief funds and support, I just get a little miffed. I mean, even a couple of miles inland is a different story. The devastation is still very real, but at least you are not taunting the weather gods living there. But I don't live there, so what do I know? A whole state can't just choose to live elsewhere, and my heart goes out to the Tampa area. It looks like real devastation is on the way. I personally don't know how they have the wherewithal to just go through it every couple of years. And with climate change (and that IS what is making Milton so bad according to real weather scientists, not news pundits), it's not going to get better in the future.

Whether or not the rich guy with the glass house looking out at the hurricane coming in deserves the same help as the fast food worker whose apartment got destroyed on the inland side of town, I do know that that help is coming. And it's not going to buy sex change operations for transgender migrants despite anything you might see on your Facebook feed. Help is coming from the Federal Government as well as generous private donors.

It's the "socialism" part of America that is so critical to our health and prosperity that many claim to hate. They hate it right up until they need to be saved from whatever kind of "hurricane" rips apart their own lives. Then when they get help, oh, it's not socialism anymore. It's FEMA again, and it's their right as a citizen to get help because they pay taxes. And I agree with that. I just agree with that all the time, not just when I'm the one in the eye of the storm, because someone in America is always in the eye of the storm, and the world is not all about me. ■





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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH
7PM

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TO BE IN THE PARADE PLEASE VISIT:



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Galena Country Fair OCTOBER 12 AND 13 @ 10 AM-4 PM

GRANT PARK (625 PARK AVE, GALENA, IL) Indulge in handmade creations and delicious treats at Galena Country Fair weekend featuring over 100 vendors offering high-quality original art, crafts, and food items. See it all in Grant Park on Oct. 12 and 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Browse a diverse selection of products, including home decor, clothing, toys, jewelry, photography, and gifts, while enjoying live music, a children's game area, and more. Savor pork chop sandwiches, brats, walking tacos, hand-cut fries, baked potatoes, frozen custard, and homemade fudge. Quench your thirst with domestic and local craft beer, cocktails, and a Gazebo Wine Garden serving Galena Cellars' selection of red, white, and sangria.

Bring the family for a fun-filled weekend. Free parking at three remote lots. Complimentary shuttle service available 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Entry is a suggested donation of \$3 at the gate. For more information, call 815-777-0817 or visit GalenaCountryFair.com.

DEKALB Children's Fall Festival

OCTOBER 12 AND 13 @ 10 AM-5 PM FIELD OF DREAMS MOVIE SITE (28995 LANSING RD, DYERSVILLE, IA) Bring the family out to the Field of Dreams Movie Site for the inaugural DEKALB Children's Fall Festival on Oct. 12 and 13 at 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

This event features a DEKALB corn maze through the Field of Dreams corn fields and a smaller maze aimed at toddlers. There will also be a speed pitch booth, pumpkin painting, corn hole games, and inflatable play areas. Rexco Equipment will provide a tractor to provide wagon rides around the site. Food will be available for purchase, including fall-themed snacks.

DEKALB, a Bayer Crop Science brand, is the official corn seed provider of the Field of Dreams Movie Site.

The Field of Dreams Movie Site is celebrating its 35th anniversary in 2024. It was originally the primary filming location of the film *Field of Dreams* and has since hosted millions of visitors. The Site features house tours, hosts baseball



tournaments, and overnight stays in the house. Food and beverages are offered in The Dugout pub, The Stretch concession stand, and a new ice cream stand featuring Chocolate Shoppe Ice Cream.

The event is free. For more information, visit **fieldofdreamsmoviesite.com**.



THU **10/10**



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®

Iowa Legislature Candidate's Forum

5:30-7:30 PM @ CITY OF DUBUQUE COUNCIL **CHAMBERS AND ONLINE** Voters will hear the candidate's priorities and get a chance to ask written questions. Candidates invited to the forum and on the Nov. 5 ballot are: Tom Townsend and Nick Molo for Senate District 36 Jason Gearhart and Ian Zahren for House District 64, Carolyn Wiezorek and Shannon Lundgren for House District 65, Lindsay James and James McClain for House District 71, and Chuck Isenhart and Jennifer Smith for House District 72. Hosted by the Dubuque League of Women Voters. 350 W 6th St. facebook.com/LeagueOf

WomenVotersOfDubuque.

FRI **10/11**

Bourbon, Bow Ties & Boas

6-9 PM @ DUBUQUE SHOOTING SOCIETY The intimate event for bourbon enthusiasts begins with a social hour at 6 p.m. and the tasting at 7 p.m. Featuring specialty bourbons and a selection of wines for tasting. Master Distiller Rob Robillard will provide insights on each bourbon. Includes a limited edition Glen Cairn glass, door prizes, and swag bag to take your experience home. Dress is semi-formal. Organized by Northeast Iowa Council, BSA. 10380 US 52. Scoutslowa.org/bourbon.

SAT **10/12**

Jeeps On The Mountain

9 AM-7 PM @ SUNDOWN MOUNTAIN RESORT Enjoy live music, food trucks, primitive camping, off-roading designated mountain trails, obstacles, and activities for the kids, lawn games, and more. All 4×4 Jeeps, military vehicles, Broncos, Scouts, K5s, Land Rovers, Toyotas, expedition and safari vehicles are welcome. 16991 Asbury Rd. **563-556-6676**. **sundownmtn.com**.



O'Leary's Lake Fall Fun Run

11 AM @ O'LEARY'S LAKE (HAZEL GREEN, WI)
ATV/UTV ride through southern Grant County to benefit
O'Leary's Lake & Recreational
Area. Registration at 11 a.m.noon at O'Leary's Lake
parking lot. Ride leaves at
noon. Card turn in at 5 p.m. at
the Sandy Hook Tavern. Paying back 50% to five cards.
Participating stops include
Sunset Lakes, Yoders, Uno's/
Annex, Cole Acres, BAR-tell/

Gangsters, Kieler Mall, and the Sandy Hook Tavern. \$10. facebook.com/ sandyhooktavern.



Centennial Cross Benefit

2-6 PM @ BURKEY'S BAR Join a community benefit for the Centennial Cross. Meat paddles start at 1 p.m. with live music by Massey Road at 2 p.m. Sandwiches will be available for purchase, and all proceeds will go to the beautiful new cross. The cross is complete but organizers still need help to reach their goal and finish paying for the construction and ongoing costs to operate. If you can't join, donations can be made online at centennialcross.org or by mailing a donation to Centennial Cross, PO Box 1315,

Dubuque, IA, 52004-1315.

SUN 10/13



Retirement Celebration for Margi Buhr

4-5:30 PM @ DUBUQUE
MUSEUM OF ART
Margi Buhr, the Director of
Creative Learning at the
Dubuque Museum of Art,
is retiring on Oct. 17 after
28 years at the museum.
Margi says, "I would love
to thank all of you for your
support during this amazing
journey." 701 Locust St.

563-557-1851. dbqart.org.

WED 10/16

Prairie du Chien Oktoberfest

ST. FERIOLE ISLAND PARK (PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WI) 10/16–10/19. The 15th annual festival bills itself as the most family friendly Oktoberfest in the area and is also the last opportunity in Wisconsin where you can enjoy a celebration of German heritage and take in all the fall colors. While drinking your favorite beverage, enjoy listening to great music from Barefoot Becky, the Guttenberg German Band, and a very popular polka rock band called Livewire. Also, it prides itself in offering big kid events such as hammerschlagen, beer stein holding, keg toss, and new a sauerkraut eating contest along with little kids fun including root beer stein holding, large kids activity tent, and six new bounce houses. Also included is a large parade, car show, tapping of the keg event, delicious German food, and more. \$4 Adults, free for kids. 101 N 4th St, Prairie du Chien, WI.

facebook.com/Oktoberfest



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FINANCIAL INSTITUTION GreenState	RANK (9,293 U.S. Institutions)					
US Bank	5,447					
Chase	6,435					
Wells Fargo	7,834					

*Data provided by Callahan and Associates 3/31/24

3405 Stoneman Road near Kennedy Mall 563-235-2370



EVENTS

27TH ANNUAL

Duck Derby

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 @ 3 PM **GRANT PARK BRIDGE** (625 PARK AVE, GALENA, IL)

Riverview Center's 27th Annual Duck Derby raises funds to support survivors in the most fun way possible: A duck race! Buying one ticket for a duck can win you \$1,000! Head to the Grant Park Bridge in Galena, IL on Sunday, Oct. 13 at 3 p.m. to see 4,000 ducks "race" in the Galena River.

Each numbered ticket corresponds to the number on a yellow rubber duck. There is no limit on how many tickets you can purchase, and those who purchase four

tickets will be entered into an additional raffle drawing. The ticket holders with numbers that correspond to the four ducks that cross the finish line first will win a cash prize. The purchaser of the first place duck will win \$1000; second place, \$500; third place, \$250; and fourth place, \$100.

Winners do not need to be present at the Duck Derby, so tickets can be purchased by anyone regardless of where they live. Riverview Center will notify winners by phone and email after the event.

All proceeds support 100% free and 100% confidential services for survivors of sexual and domestic violence provided by Riverview Center.

Tickets are \$5. For more information, visit riverviewcenter.org/events.



19[™] ANNUAL

Glimmer of Hope

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 @ 5 PM **HOTEL JULIEN DUBUQUE (200 MAIN ST)**

The Dubuque Community Y invites you to their 19th annual Glimmer of Hope event on Thursday, Oct. 24 at 5 p.m. at Hotel Julien Dubuque. All proceeds going to support their Crisis Services Program.

Hear stories of hope, community resources, and updates on the shelter renovations and upgrades. You'll walk away learning how the past, present, and future of the Y's services can assist those that need it most.

Cocktail hour begins at 5 p.m. and is followed by the program at 6 p.m. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and one drink ticket are provided with each event ticket purchase. Music will be provided by Ralph Kluseman and the Heartland Harmony Choir. Silent auction bidding will open Thursday, Oct. 17 at noon. Need not be present to bid or to win. Bidding will take place online.

Tickets start at \$60. For sponsorship opportunities, contact Abbye Portzen at **563-556-3371**. For tickets and more information, visit dubuquey.org/glimmer-of-hope.



Captain's Ball FULL STEAM AHEAD

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1 @ 6-10 PM NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM (350 E 3RD ST)

The Dubuque County Historical Society's annual gala, Captain's Ball, invites you to celebrate history, science, and conservation on Friday, Nov. 1 at 6-10 p.m. at the National Mississippi

River Museum & Aquarium. The night features a silent auction, entertainment, dinner, and live auction.

Help the Dubuque County Historical Society, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, Mathias Ham Historic Site, National Rivers Hall of Fame, and RiverWorks Discovery continue to be champions for conservation, preservation, and engaging educational opportunities as they celebrate their 70-plus years of success.

The Historical Society operates as a leading cultural institution in the area and helps to foster a thriving community that involves everyone who lives in this area today and for generations to come thanks to your continuous support of this event.

For tickets and more information, call the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium at **563-557-9545** or visit rivermuseum.org/captains-ball.

THU **10/17**

Bride's Night Out

5-7 PM @ HOTEL JULIEN DUBUQUE Featuring samples of wedding tables as well as hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. Meet the preferred vendors and chat about your big day. Hosted by Vintage Chic Bridal Boutique. Free. 200 Main St. bridesnightoutdubuque. eventbrite.com

SAT 10/19



Pups Over Politics

8-9 AM @ BERGFELD POND 9:30-10:30 AM @ BEE **BRANCH GREENWAY** Lieutenant Dan, Casanova, and Lucy the Rescue Dog invite you and your pup(s) to a fundraiser for the Dubuque Regional Humane Society. For every dog with its owners, the Isenhart Campaign for the Common Good will donate \$5 to DRHS. If your pup also wants to donate \$5, the Isenhart Campaign will donate \$10! Lucy will share some information about what lowa can do about puppy mills and pet insurance regulations, plus discuss how lowa can support local humane societies. secure.actblue.com/

donate/pupsoverpolitics.



Eagle Pointe Place Autumn Vendor Fair

10 AM-4 PM @ EAGLE POINTE PLACE

Start your holiday shopping early by supporting more than 30 local businesses and enjoy some local delights while meeting Eagle Pointe Place's vibrant senior living community. The first 50 quests will receive a free lit tea from The Spot Nutrition. The vendor fair is open until

2 p.m. and is followed by live music from Nashville artist Ryan Bizarri. From 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., enjoy walking tacos and a soft-serve ice cream bar fundraiser for the community's garden expansion and improvement projects. Raffle baskets, photo booth, all day coffee bar, and more. Free. 2700 Matthew John Dr. 815-281-1648. trustwellliving.net.

Other Side of the Anvil

10 AM-4 PM @ STILLMAN MANSION (GALENA, IL) 10/19-10/20. Located on the lawn adjacent to the Stillman Mansion multiple forging stations—complete with forge, anvil, vise and toolswill be fired up and skilled regional blacksmiths will provide hands-on instruction for visitors of all ages. This is a unique opportunity to work hands-on with a coal forge and gain insight into what it is like to work at a 3,000-year-old craft. Make your own forged keepsake. Free. 513 Bouthillier St. Galena, IL. 815-777-1893. galenahistorymuseum.org.

SUN 10/20



1-4 PM @ STEEPLE SQUARE

Dubuque Area History Expo

The Dubuque Area History Expo is a celebration of local history and community. Organized in honor of National Archives Month, this inaugural event aims to connect the community with the organizations that help to preserve Dubuque area history. Explore the Dubuque area's rich past through an exhibition hall, networking, and presentations. The exhibition hall will feature academic institutions, local government, nonprofit organizations, and more. Presentations will include "Uncovering Dubuque's Black Heritage" with Chris Happ

Olson, assistant planner for the City of Dubuque, and "A City at Work 1912 and 2012" with artist Tim Olson. Free. 101 E 15th St. **563-589-4225**. rivermuseum.org/expo.

WED **10/23**



A Night in Japan

6 PM @ CLARE UNIVERSITY Celebrate the music, cuisine, and culture of Japan with food sampling at 6 p.m. and performances from the Clarke Collegiate Singers and traditional drumming group Beni Daiko at 7 p.m. \$20. 1550 Clarke Dr. clarke.edu/artsatclarke.

SAT **10/26**

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Fall Vendor Show

9 AM-1 PM @ OUR REDEEMER **LUTHERAN CHURCH** Join for a morning of holiday shopping and tons of baked goods to benefit the ORLC

Preschool. Find fall and Christmas decor, clay jewelry, hand-woven baskets, table runners, teacup lamps and themed Christmas trees, and quality handmade items. This will be the perfect opportunity to purchase gifts for those "hard-to-buy" for people. Lots of great stocking stuffers will be available. 100% of proceeds will benefit the ORLC Preschool. Free. 2145 John F Kennedy Rd. 563-542-8053. facebook.com/ ButlerHomestead.



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

Ongoing & Recurring **Events**

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 TIIF

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/ early-explorers.

WEDNESDAY

She Unites

6:30-7:30 PM @ THE INNOVATION LAB

Featuring rotating speakers talking about anything and everything pertaining to women in a chill environment. Free. 210 Jones St.

SheUnitesIowa.com/events.

THURSDAY

Millwork Night Market

5-8 РМ @ 7^{тн}-9^{тн} AND JACKSON ST 2ND THU THROUGH 10/10 This independent farmers' market features local

food, foods, original artists, live entertainment, and craft beer. MillworkNightMarket.com.

FRIDAY

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

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.

Dubuque Farmers' Market

8 AM-NOON @ NEAR 12TH AND IOWA ST THROUGH 10/26

lowa'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. DubuqueFamersMarket.org

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. 75 N Bonson St. Platteville, WI. 608-218-4374. **PlattevilleFarmers** MarketWl.com.

Dubuque Winter Farmers Market

9 AM-NOON @ KENNEDY MALL WEST CONCOURSE 11/2-4/26 Regional vendors offer homemade and baked goods. meat, cheese, eggs, seasonal produce, and more. 555 JFK

Rd. wintermarketdbq.com. **Platteville Winter**

Farmer's Market

9 AM-NOON @ **ROUNTREE GALLERY** (PLATTEVILLE, WI) 1ST & 3RD SAT: 11/2-4/26 Find homegrown and handmade products from fresh produce and prepared food to stained glass and bath bombs. 120 W Main St, Platteville. Wl. 608-218-4374. **PlattevilleFarmers**

MarketWl.com.

Lollipops & Music for Our Preschoolers

10-10:30 AM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY 2ND SAT THROUGH 4/12 Northeast Iowa School of Music introduces children to a variety of musical styles and instruments. Come prepared to sing, play instruments, and dance. Children leave with a greater appreciation of music and a lollipop. Free. 360 W 11th St. 563-690-0151. nisom.com.

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Be Well!









Battle of the Bridges Cornhole Tournament

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 @ 6:30 PM FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Cornhole, bags, whatever you call it, Five Flags Center has a tournament just for

you on Friday, Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m. Spots are open for the Battle of the Bridges Blind Draw Cornhole Tournament.

Tickets are \$20. ■





25[™] ANNIVERSARY

DockDogs World Championship

OCTOBER 22-27
FIVE FLAGS ARENA

During this year's 25th Anniversary of the world's premier canine aquatics competition, DockDogs returns to the Five Flags Center for the World Championship on Oct. 22–27, at 8 a.m.–5 p.m. This year is not only special as they celebrate their silver jubilee, but this year's Championship will also be combined with the

Dueling Dogs World Championship,

which typically takes place in April.

The DockDogs World Championship hosts approximately 500 human competitors with over 900 canine competitors each year. The Dueling Dog finals take place on Thursday afternoon, and the DockDogs Feature Finals take place on Saturday at 7–9 p.m. and Sunday at 1–3 p.m.

For 25 years, DockDogs has been producing fun-filled events for dogs and their owners (called "handlers") including the disciplines of Big Air, Speed Retrieve® Extreme Vertical, and Dueling Dogs.

The event will host vendors, concessions, live emcees throughout and hundreds of dogs splashing into four different pools within the Five Flags Arena.

Spectators can enter for free. For more information, visit **DockDogs.com**. ■

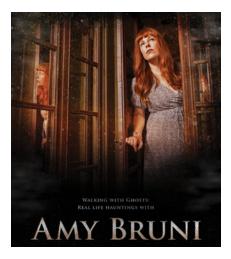
Walking with Ghosts: Real Life Hauntings with Amy Bruni

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 @ 7 PM FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Walking with Ghosts: Real Life Hauntings with Amy Bruni is a deep dive into actual haunted encounters. Experience authentic evidence of the paranormal, haunted objects from Amy's personal collection, and actual interactive investigations on Thursday, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. at the Five Flags Theater.

Amy Bruni started her professional ghost hunting career just over a decade ago, but her experience with ghosts started when she was very young. She began as a paranormal investigator in 2007 when she began appearing on *Ghost Hunters*, in which she starred in 116 episodes.

Now, she's the co-star and executive producer of the Travel Channel's *Kindred*



Spirits, one of the longest-running and highest-rated paranormal television shows. Amy is also the host of the wildly popular *Haunted Road* podcast. She is the owner of Strange Escapes, a company offering paranormal excursions to some of America's most notoriously haunted destinations. A native of northern California, Amy now lives in Newport, RI with her young daughter.

Tickets are \$28-\$58. ■



Trick or Treat

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29 @ 5:30-8 PM FIVE FLAGS CENTER

This family-friendly event promises a ghoulishly good time with free trick-or-treating for kids of all ages on Tuesday, Oct. 29 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Stroll through the festively decorated halls where more than 60 local businesses and community members will be handing out treats and surprises.

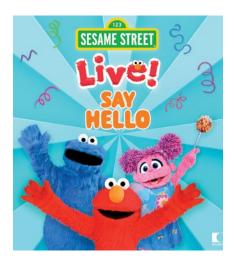
Sesame Street Live! Say Hello

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30 @ 6 PM FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Elmo, Abby Cadabby, Cookie Monster, and their friends from Sesame Street are coming to the Five Flags Arena on Wednesday, Oct. 30 at 6 p.m. to say hello!

At Sesame Street Live! Say Hello, sing, dance, and play alongside your favorite furry friends, all while you follow Elmo's puppy, Tango, in a fun game of hide and seek. So put on your dancing shoes and make your way to where the air is sweet for this allnew celebration on Sesame Street!

In an exclusive post show experience add-on, you and your family will have the opportunity to make a



lasting memory of your visit by taking a photo alongside characters from Sesame Street Live, Say Hello!

Tickets are \$30-\$70. ■

Afterlife: Spirits and Shadows Ball

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1 @ 9 PM-1 AM FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Afterlife: Spirits and Shadows Ball is a thrilling Day of the Dead celebration featuring DJ Jevity and DJ Dirty Darren. Get ready for an unforgettable night of high-energy music, mystery, and vibrant festivities at the Five Flags Arena on Friday. Nov. 1 at 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

Dress in your best costume and immerse yourself in the afterlife magic. Don't miss this chance to be part of a captivating evening filled with unforgettable memories.



General Admission tickets are free or upgrade to VIP status for \$50, and reserved tables for eight people are \$100. VIP benefits include a private cash bar, private dance floor, meet and greet, and private bathrooms.



DUBUQUE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Classics 2: Latin-American Inspiracion

SATURĎAY, NOVEMBER 2 @ 7:30 PM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3 @ 2 PM FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Turn up the heat with the rhythms, dances and melodies of Latin America! Music Director and Conductor William Intriligator's 25th season with the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra (DSO) continues with Classics 2: Latin-American Inspiracion on Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Five Flags Theater.

The DSO welcomes back Charles Gorczynski, a highly skilled bandoneon player known for his virtuosity and deep connection to tango music. He will be featured in Argentine composer Astor Piazzolla's symphonic take on tangoes.

The orchestra will also perform dances by various Mexican and Argentine

composers, as well as Ravel's mesmerizing Spanish/Cuban dance, Bolero.

The passion, mystery, and seduction of the "forbidden dance" ignites the stage as professional Tango dancers Ashley Kalchik and Daniel Moreno join Gorczynski and the orchestra in Argentinian composer Pugliese's iconic "La Yumba."

Saturday evening concert attendance includes entry to post-concert Encore Reception. Enjoy complimentary refreshments and visit with DSO musicians.

On Nov. 1, enjoy a lunch buffet at the Dubuque Golf & Country Club followed by insightful commentary by Maestro William Intriligator and bandoneonist Charles Gorczynski.

On Friday, be seated by 6:50 p.m. for an open rehearsal at 7 p.m.

At 1 p.m. prior to each Sunday Classics Concert, Intriligator gives a pre-concert lecture in the theater.

Tickets start at \$20. For more information, contact the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra at **563-557-1677** or visit **DubuqueSymphony.org**. ■



Pickleball Takes Over Five Flags Arena This Winter

This winter, Five Flags Arena is stepping up its game—literally. Starting on Saturday, Nov. 2, pickleball enthusiasts will have a brand-new place to play with the opening of eight pickleball courts right in the heart of Dubuque! Whether you're a seasoned player or just curious about the game, Five Flags Arena is ready to serve up fun for everyone.

Pickleball, a sport that's been skyrocketing in popularity across the country, is a perfect mix of tennis, badminton, and ping-pong. Its smaller court size and easy-to-learn rules make it accessible for players of all ages and skill levels. Whether you're looking for a competitive match or a casual game with friends, the new courts at Five Flags will be the perfect spot to stay active and entertained during the colder months.

For just \$25 an hour, you and your crew can reserve a court. And here's the best part—party sizes aren't limited! So bring as many friends as you like, and make it a group outing. Whether it's a birthday, company gettogether, or just a fun day with your



buddies, Five Flags Arena has room for everyone. The more, the merrier!

The courts will be available for hourly reservations, giving players plenty of time to practice their swings or jump into friendly matches. The best part? Free paddles and balls are available, so you don't need to bring your own equipment—just show up, sign the easy online waiver, and you're ready to play. And for those who want to take their game up a notch, keep an eye out for upcoming clinics that will help you sharpen your skills and enjoy the game even more.

Spectators are welcome too! If you're more into watching than playing, grab a seat, enjoy a snack, and cheer on your friends as they battle it out on the court. Concessions will be available, offering food and beverages to keep everyone refreshed during the action.

Ready to hit the court? Register today and secure your spot by visiting **fiveflags.pickleplanner.com**. Don't wait—these courts are bound to be in high demand!

Pickleball is more than just a game; it's a community. So gather your friends, reserve your spot, and get ready to experience one of the fastest-growing sports in America. Whether you're a first-timer or a pickleball pro, this new addition to Five Flags Arena is sure to be a smash hit. Don't miss out—mark your calendars and make this winter a season of fun and fitness.





Love, Lies & the Lottery

OCTOBER 11-12, 17-19, AND 24-25 @ 7:30 PM OCTOBER 13, 20, AND 26-27 @ 2 PM BELL TOWER THEATER (2728 ASBURY RD)

Celebrate Arts & Humanities month with the Iowa premiere of *Love, Lies & the Lottery* at Bell Tower Theater on Oct. 11–27.

Peter is an unlucky guy. With a treacherous soon-tobe 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.

Early Bird performances are \$12, and all other performances are \$24. Thursdays are Girls Night Out; all audience members get a free glass of wine. For more information and to purchase tickets, call

563-588-3377 or visit BellTowerTheater.net. ■

Twenty Dirty Hands Self-Guided Pottery Tour

OCTOBER 18 AND 19 @ 10 AM-6 PM
OCTOBER 20 @ 10 AM-4 PM
LACY MANSION (1640 MAIN ST)
CRICKET HILL (2910 BRICK MASON LN, ASBURY IA)
GALENA CLAY WORKS (704 DEWEY AVE, GALENA IL)
THE POTTERY (202 S WEST ST, GALENA IL)
3573 HWY 11, HAZEL GREEN, WI

ESHELMAN POTTERY (238 N MAIN ST, ELIZABETH IL) MISSISSIPPI MUD (403 PERSHING RD, MAQUOKETA IA)

Immerse yourself in creativity and meet talented clay artists on the annual 3-day Twenty Dirty Hands Self-Guided Pottery Tour. Visit seven pottery studios where 25 artists will showcase their creations while enjoying the fall colors at the convergence of lowa, Illinois, and Wisconsin. The tour runs Oct. 18 and 19 at 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Oct. 20 at 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

This event offers a unique opportunity for behindthe-scenes views of private studios as you support local artists. Each stop offers functional pottery and sculpture by multiple artists. Connect with local artists and add a touch of artistry to your life.

The tour is free. For more information, call **563-341-7213** or visit **twentydirtyhands.com**.



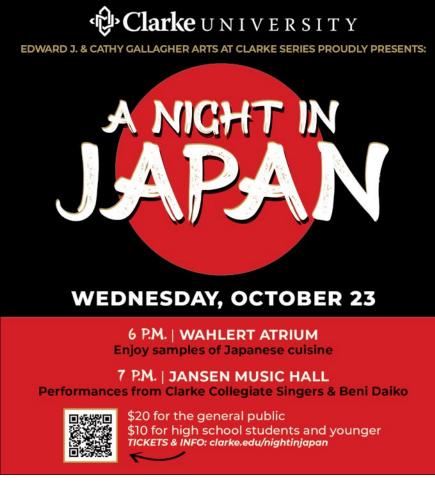
The Rocky Horror Show

OCTOBER 18-19 AND 24-26 @ 7:30 PM GRAND OPERA HOUSE (135 W 8TH ST)

The original kitschy rock 'n' roll sci-fi gothic musical is more fun than ever! Richard O'Brien's *The Rocky Horror Show* heads to the Grand Opera House on Oct. 18–19 and 24–26 at 7:30 p.m.

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."

Recommended for ages 16 and older. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$17 for ages under 18. Tickets can be purchased in person at the box office, by calling **563-588-1305**, or at **TheGrandOperaHouse.com**.





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ASAZUKE | Japanese Pickles

NIKUJYAGA (TOFU) | Japanese Vegetable Stew over Rice

GYOZA | Pork & Cabbage filled Dumplings served with Teriyaki Sauce

SHRIMP TEMPURA | Served with Ponzu Sauce

KASUTERA | Castella Cake: Japanese Honey Sponge Cake

MATCHA GREEN TEA COOKIES



Dubuque Museum of Art Gala: Reflections

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 @ 6 PM ROSHEK BUILDING (700 LOCUST ST)

The Dubuque Museum of Art's (DuMA) Gala: Reflections, hosted by Emily Duehr and Ben Hoelscher, is the culmination of DuMA's 150th anniversary. Mayor Brad Cavanagh will serve as emcee of the celebration inside the historic Roshek Building on Friday, Oct. 25. Reflect on 150 creative years, inaugurate the Dubuque by Design exhibition, and celebrate milestones in the design of the new Museum of Art.

The program includes an open bar with hors d'oeuvres and dessert at 6 p.m., program and live auction at 7:45 p.m., and after party at Voices Studio at 9 p.m. The live auction packages include an 8-day European River Voyage with Viking and a VIP trip to Chicago with behind-the-scenes access to the Joffrey Ballet's *Nutcracker*.

Complimentary childcare for ages 4 and older will be provided during the gala.

The gala directly supports

DuMA's mission to create engaging
art experiences that excite, inspire,
and connect our community.

Tickets start at \$150. For tickets or more information, call the Dubuque Museum of Art at **563-557-1851** or visit **dbqart.org/gala**. ■



First Fridays

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

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)
6-9 PM @ ANDONIA GIANNAKOUROS STUDIO (219 W 9TH ST)

6-8 PM @ PLANTED. (245 W 1^{ST} ST) 7-10 PM @ SMOKESTACK (62 E 7^{TH} 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 features the Driftless Region photography of Henry Matthiessen III. Also, shop a pre-holiday sale of 30% off all gallery pieces. Refreshments will be on hand with jazz music playing. **StonedArtStudio.com**.

Widdershins Artisan Gallery features artworks by local, regional, and national artists including Mark Dierker, John Potter, Debra Sullivan, Tad Banker, 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, Tim Wear, the late Shirley Dale, and Ben Curtis. Watch locally famous copper sculptor Dan Aldeman pound out new work, listen to live music and enjoy foods native to the American Southwest. Located next to Dubuque Bike Coop. WiddershinsGallery.com.

Outside the Lines features Des Moines artist Nancy Briggs who will be demonstrating her ceramic carving techniques throughout the evening and again the following morning from 10 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**.

Andonia Giannakouros, is a Dubuquebased figurative painter and printmaker. The converted studio space in the Fisher Building features work by Giannakouros. **Giannaka.com**.

At Planted., delight in a feast for the eyes as you explore a collection of art inspired by cuisine in the group show For the Love of Food. From vibrant images capturing the essence of a meal to exquisitely crafted ceramic serving dishes, this exhibit celebrates the profound influence food has on our lives. On display Nov. 1–Dec. 3. PlantedDBQ.com.

Dubuque Area Arts Collective invites you to enter the realm of the *Morbid Muse Gala* art exhibit at Smokestack, where artists embrace the allure of the enigmatic and the beauty found within darkness. This captivating showcase explores the depths of the unknown and challenges conventional perceptions. Through various mediums, DAAC seeks to unravel the mystique of darkness and celebrate its inherent beauty. Costumes encouraged. Accepting submissions through Oct. 21. **DubuqueArts.com**.



So Many Soups... So Many Cold Months Ahead

By Bryce Parks

Man, when you set out to write about the best soups in town, you just don't know the can of... soup... you've opened. The bottom line is, pretty much everyone serves soup. A lot of them are pre-packaged, probably from a big sealed bag. In fact, a secret insider who works with a lot of restaurants confirmed that probably 75% are serving pre-made soups. And you know what? A lot of those soups are still pretty darn good. So who's to say?

But naturally, we'd like to focus on scratch-made, locally prepared soups, especially from non-chain locations if possible. So when we stray to ones that are not, I apologize. As we were figuring out just what to cover, we realized that there were just so many options, we were going to have to narrow down the feature a bit. So with the sidebar "favorites" along with this story, we decided that we were going to look at local soups that are so damn good, so popular, that they never leave the menu. Soups that drive us to the restaurant just because we want the soup as much as anything else. So after you read about them in this issue, you can still go get them in real life and not show up to find out that amazing soup is not the special today, and instead, they have a nice cream of broccoli with sauerkraut or something.

But what about the soups that rotate often, if not daily? Are they not just as good if not occasionally better than the permanent soup menu items? Sure they are. And while we don't have the space to run down every soup everyone in town serves, we figured we could give you the scoop—or should we say cup or bowl—on some of the places in town known for their great soups even if they don't have the same flavors featured consistently. And also, in most cases, we're going to try to weed out the premade soups that come from distributors. A little props for the extra work and dedication to craft for whipping up fresh batches of the heavenly brew on a regular basis. While we've not been to them all, feedback from smart and attractive people like you on Facebook gave us a lot of tasty insights.

A lot of cafe-style specialty breakfast/ lunch spots feature at least one if not multiple soups on the menu. Of those, some that we've tried and love for their homemade soups include Birdie's Bistro in downtown Dubuque who, in addition to simple but stellar breakfasts and lunch sandwiches and entrees, whips up fresh homemade soup daily.

Knockout Melts on the other side of town at the bustling corner of JFK and Pennsylvania Ave. also makes a soup of the day from scratch six days a week. Some recent features have included classics like chicken noodle, broccoli cheese, vegetable beef, and creamy chicken and wild rice to more adventurous fare like pork carnitas, chicken tortilla, lasagna, and cheesy chicken bacon ranch.

A little otter told us that Chef Rudi at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium not only makes the best soups, but he also often packages them up and sells them out of a cold case at the museum's grill. And hey, no admission is needed to access the grill!

The relatively new Roses & Berries Cafe near Asbury mixes Mediterranean entrees with French pastries on their menu. Along with that, you can always find lentil soup (one of my Facebook friend's favorites), chicken and mushroom soup, and a rotating chef's soup of the week. The menu is huge, and picking one meal is so hard to choose, but hey, there's always room for soup.

Across the bridge, one of our mostest favoritest dive bars is The Other Side on the Sinsinawa Ave. strip in East Dubuque. They are known for their great lunch specials for a great price. Starting this month, they will feature three or more scratch-made soups for lunch every Monday. There is always a great variety in the soups, and The OS always simmers them a day early to get maximum flavor. Visit facebook.com/TheOtherSideBar on Monday morning to see what the soups will be each week. Oh, and they come with fresh-baked bread. Yeah, right?! Oh, and if there happens to be some leftover at the end of service, they will sell it in handy to-go quarts at crazy great prices. But it's first come, first served.

Also in East Dubuque, Millennium Marina has a scratch-made soup each week. We know it's made from scratch because everything at Millennium is made from scratch. And the view ain't half bad either.

We lunch downtown a lot, so apologies if we're being a little too downtown-centric













PAST REGULAR & ROTATING SOUPS WE'VE ENJOYED FROM BIRDIE'S BISTRO, ROSES & BERRIES CAFE, THE OTHER SIDE, FRITZ & FRITES, L.MAY EATERY, AND BRAZEN OPEN KITCHEN

with our soup tour, but the west end, for all its variety, leans pretty heavily on national chains. So yes, Olive Garden and Panara both have some great soups, but I think most people already know about them, so we're not going to spend time there. We also like the French onion and loaded baked potato soups at Houlihan's on Schmitt Island by Q Casino + Resort, and I think Danny chose one of those as his favorites. I can confirm—they are both tasty!

But downtown, homemade rotating soups of the day reign. Convivium Urban Farmstead will wow the organic food lover in you with their daily soup. We've also had the changing soups at 1st & Main and Stone Cliff Winery and keep getting it again.

Catfish Charlie's, 7 Hills Brewing Co., Caroline's Restaurant at Hotel Julien Dubuque, and The Vault Restaurant all feature both permanent soup features and rotating daily specials. I'm sure others do, too. I do enjoy Catfish Charlie's not-quite-traditional chowder. I might even make it one of my go-tos. I had the brisket chili this week from 7 Hills, and it was very good, but to me, chili is chili, and it's hard to mess it up... though people always manage to do so in competitions by trying to get too creative. Chili is great—let it be chili!

Dawn Livingston loves the tom kha, one of five soups on the menu at Pete's Thai Kitchen, but it's a unique flavor for a unique palette. Tom kha is a spicy and sour hot soup with coconut milk. And she'd know good flavors as she spends her days at the Galena Canning Company. She says to add a side of jasmine rice and shrimp, and you're "swingin' on star" as my friend Gary Olsen would say.

Over in Galena, the Galena Taphouse has a killer chicken soup made with a ginger broth that is "simple yet adored," while Cannova's Pizzeria's homemade soups change weekly and are amazing. The Market House Restaurant H.P. also reportedly has wonderful soups. And you know only delicious things come out of Otto's by Kevin Scharpf where their weekly housemade soup is true to form. These are all in addition to two from Embe Eatery that made our all-time favorites list. Our late dining columnist Rich Belmont was a big fan of Fritz & Frites, a part Germanpart French restaurant located near the end of North Main Street. He notes, "Onion Soup Gratinée is always on the menu. Caramelized onions are simmered for over eight hours in beef stock, special spices, and red wine. Then a three cheese blend of Gruyère, Parmesan, and Swiss cheese is added just before serving."

When it comes to evening dining, it's been our experience that if you see "soup of the day" offered at Pepper Sprout, L. May Eatery, or Copper Kettle, you're going to be happy with your choice. Brazen Open Kitchen is currently offering sweet potato soup though it changes with the seasonal menu. The highly-touted New England clam chowder from Mario's Italian Restaurant (because that's where you go for great chowdah, right!) is apparently only available on Friday, so plan accordingly.

And man, we didn't even touch on the omnipresent salad bar soups that you will find at every reputable supper club in the Tri-States. I've certainly had some stellar cups of beef barley to accompany my tiny salad, pile of pasta salad, big helping of cheese spread, and 20 packages of breadstick crackers.

And I didn't even get into the home-made soups available daily at most of Dubuque's grocery stores, but there's only so much time in a day. So sorry, but we're focusing on the small-batch love coming out of our favorite sit-down joints. And I should mention the soup "bar" at Kwik Star (or Kwik Trip depending on where you're reading) that, especially in the winter, will have a half-dozen soups, hot and ready to serve all day long. How convenient!

But I do want to point out the frozen quarts of soups you can get at Cremer's Meats on Rhomberg Ave. Some are housemade, but the ones that come in fresh frozen are essentially made from scratch very recently and regionally, and they're restocked regularly in the freezer case. As Jeff Cremer points out, soups are not complex but can take a long time to make it right. So if someone can do the hard work and make it easily available to you to take home and warm up, then that's a win right there. And I don't mean warm up from a can.

If you read this story and wondered where Oolong Asian Cuisine is or Caroline's white bean chicken chili, Woodfire Grill's lobster bisque, Embe's seafood chowder, or the simple but wonderful sizzling rice soup at House of China, well, that's because you have not yet read the side features to this story. We picked out a handful of soups that Danny, Kristina, or I love so much, we thought they deserved special attention. So make sure you read those little love letters and make your cold-weather travel plans to start your soup journey with 365ink.

If we left you or your favorite place out, we apologize. It's a BIG topic, and we only wanted to speak on behalf of the ones we've personally tried. And if you are one who goes out and always just skims over the soup and salad offerings on the menu to get to the entrees, well... NO SOUP FOR YOU!

And hey, seriously, if we really missed the bowl on a soup we MUST try, let us know. Send an email to info@dubuque365.com!



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LOBSTER BISQUE AT WOODFIRE GRILL



WHITE BEAN CHICKEN CHILI AT CAROLINE'S RESTAURANT



CHICKEN AND CABBAGE SOUP AT EUROPA HAUS RESTAURANT AND BIER STUBE

Our Favorite Soups

SIZZLING RICE SOUP

HOUSE OF CHINA BY BRYCE PARKS

You know what's so uniquely special about the sizzling rice soup from House of China? Neither do I. So why do I love it so much? I think it's probably the crispy, nutty, oily chunks of white rice fried to a golden brown edge. I mean, the rest is just a simple salty broth, chicken-based I think. Then, right before they serve it, they add in little shrimp, raw celery, carrots, and green onion. When they bring it to the table, they drop in some still-super-hot flat pieces of fried/toasted rice that literally sizzle when they hit the broth. They then break up the tablets of crunchy rice love into smaller pieces inside the serving bowl before they ladle it into smaller cups for each person. And naturally, we all hope the server gives us the biggest pieces of rice. It's just so light and simple and lovely, and I could eat just bowls of this soup and be happy, but luckily the world has also

invented crab rangoons, and for my money, the ones at House of China are my favorite. Sooo creamy.

LOBSTER BISQUE

WOODFIRE GRILL AT DIAMOND JO CASINO BY BRYCE PARKS

I love lobster. I mean, I luuuuuuuuuves me some lobster. Connecticut lobster rolls are my love language, and right behind it is lobster bisque. And the best lobster bisque in the land by my measure is from Woodfire Grill at Diamond Jo Casino. It's so rich and deeply flavorful. It's good the bowl isn't any bigger because it's so densely packed that you want just the right amount before you've overdosed. And it's, like, \$8 a bowl. You could sit at the bar and have it with some of that awesome fresh hot bread they make, and it's not even an expensive dinner. Then again, I have, on occasion, been known to ask them to put a whole fresh mini lobster tail right into my soup. So now it's like a \$30 bowl of soup, but hey, leave me alone, it's my money and my dream and I'll do what I want. This is bliss. Call it the Bryce from 365ink maneuver when you ask for the same. Damn, now I want some.

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WHITE BEAN CHICKEN CHILI

CAROLINE'S RESTAURANT AT HOTEL JULIEN DUBUQUE BY BRYCE PARKS

I think that, more than any other favorite local soup in the area, when I asked Facebook what their No. 1 choice was, the white bean chicken chili from Caroline's Restaurant at Hotel Julien Dubuque got the most mentions. And it's for a good reason. It's the kind of soup you could just have a couple of bowls of and call it a meal. It's so good. Thick and creamy, this light-orangish colored chowder-like "chili" doesn't look much like chili, but I guess the presence of the white beans makes it so. And even "orange" isn't the right color. Maybe saffron or turmeric colored? Call it what you like, it's just the perfect level of hearty, flavorful satiation that you're looking for, especially when it's cold outside. It's their go-to entry for every area contest and major event, and that's because they know it always works. If it ain't broke, keep brewing it up.

CHICKEN AND CABBAGE SOUP

EUROPA HAUS RESTAURANT AND BIER STUBE BY DANNY FAIRCHILD

Ah, the Bier Stube. If you haven't experienced it, vou're not Dubuquing right. Sure, vou'll find some good German beers behind the bar, and that's exciting enough, but I go there for what happens in the kitchen. It's all good, and all the entrees are served with this wonderful chicken and cabbage soup for starters. It's hearty and deliciously savory. It's the soup I want served to me whenever I'm sick, like... German penicillin. It's everything I want in a chicken soup with decent-sized chunks of chicken and big, wide noodles. Then you got your aromatics in there with celery and onion. And then the cabbage. It gives some good body to the soup and Germanizes things up a bit. I'm only slightly German, but this soup feels like a recipe that's been in my family for years. It's not, but it should be. I think I'd have to be adopted by the Weiblinger family (owners) for that to happen. My real parents are dead, so I'm in if they are. It's such a great way to start a meal because it's satisfying but not filling. And it bridges the way to the more Bavarian flavors you'll experience at

Europa Haus, like sauerbraten, or red cabbage, or spaetzel. Pro tip: Eat out all the noodles from your soup and then add some of your spaetzle to the soup when it comes. Yum, yum, yum. Or forget all about that and just add crackers. I swear, I have found no soup anywhere, including the Tri-States' best supper clubs, that takes a cracker better than this soup. It's like this soup was made specifically to have some saltines crumbled up into it. And yet it stands perfectly well on its own. Because that's chicken soup for ya. And don't sleep on the homemade caramel apple nut pie for dessert.

FRENCH ONION SOUP

BY DANNY FAIRCHILD

If there's a soup that you'll perennially see on restaurant menus, it's French onion soup. The soup du jour will come and go as it pleases, but French onion soup is always there for you. And I love that. I love it when a restaurant has French onion soup as a permanent fixture on their menu. And, because of the French influence and so many different recipes, you can use many of the same words to describe this soup as you would use to describe wine. Words like sweet or dry. Depth of flavor. Dark. Light. Acidic. Things like that. And to support that fact, French onion soup pairs well with both red and white wines. Whether it's a pinot or a chard, it'll go well with it. And if you're like me and you absolutely LOVE a French dip sandwich, a restaurant's French onion soup is a good indicator of how good the French dip will be. Here are some of my favorite French onion soups in the area:

HOULIHAN'S

For some people, me included, French onion soup isn't French onion soup unless there's just an obscene amount of cheese baked over the top. And not just over the top. I like it to be friggin' draped over the top and onto the sides of the bowl where it can get nice and cooked. As much as I love French onion soup, my heart goes out to the dishwashing staff. It's not easy to get baked-on cheese off your soup crock. I do my part by chiseling off every little bit of that delicious stray cheese before I even tuck it into the soup itself. It's a satisfying process and gives you something to do while your entree arrives. Houlihan's French onion soup is the perfect







FRENCH ONION SOUP AT THE VAULT



PHO & RAMEN AT OOLONG ASIAN CUISINE



SEAFOOD CHOWDER AT EMBE EATERY

example of what I'm talking about. It's like performing surgery with a soup spoon before then using it to devour the guts of your patient. Except it's yummy and not grounds for malpractice or worse. There are a couple of schools of thought on the texture of the cheese on a bowl of French onion soup. Some like a good long stretchy pull on the cheese. I get it. Pizza has trained us well. Houlihan's has all the cheesy stretch you could ever want. There are also a few different schools of thought on the bread element of French onion soup. Some like a good slice of toasty bread to serve as a platform for the baked cheese that's to come. That's what Houlihan's offers. So not only do you have to cut through the stretchy cheese, you have to cut through the huge crouton on top. Again, that's all a feature, not a bug.

THE VAULT

There are also a few different schools of thought regarding the ratio of broth to onions. In this, as well as other aforementioned traits, the French onion soup at The Vault is on the other end of the spectrum. If you love more of that deep, savoryyet-not-without-sweetness broth that makes French onion soup what it is, then Houlihan's is for you. If you want spoonfuls of the caramelized onions that actually create that flavor, then get to The Vault. While I like the aesthetics of a good stretchy cheese on top, sometimes I can do without the hassle. There are blends of cheeses and other methods to prevent that oft-inconvenient stretch, and The Vault has mastered them. You get a bit of a pull from the cheese, but it breaks well before it gets ridiculous. And whereas Houlihan's uses one big crouton, The Vault supports the cheese on a handful of their house croutons so you get a little bit of a welcome Italian influence on the soup, too. With its easy-to-manage cheese and its easyto-spoon components, The Vault's French onion soup is one you can safely order on a date. Well... maybe have a mint handy, but the onions in French onion soup aren't likely to mess up your breath because they've already given all they've got. And who doesn't just want to straight-up kiss a bowl of French onion soup sometimes? The French onion soup is always available, but The Vault does some amazing things with soup rotation, in general. 'Tis the season for beer cheese soup, for example.

And last time I was in, they told me about their Hungarian mushroom soup. I've never had such a soup, but I'm imagining it's like a paprikash in soup form, and I'm excited to try it sometime soon.

PHO & RAMEN

OOLONG ASIAN CUISINE BY KRISTINA NESTEBY

I'm a soup girl. Always have been, always will be. When I eat out, I don't often find an entree-sized soup. Sure, you can order a bowl of soup somewhere and call it a day, but that feels more like I ate three sides and not an entree. That's not so much the case at Oolong Asian Cuisine.

When my brain is telling me I want something warm, soothing, and soft, I get the pho. It's also my go-to food when I'm feeling under the weather. The beef bone broth simmers for hours, creating a base that is full of flavor without the shortcuts. I always add the jalapeno, torn-up Thai basil, and lime juice to my soup before giving it a good mix. The noodles are on the bottom of the bowl, and you'll want to grab them between your bites of sliced beef and meatballs. I also like to eat my pho with hoisin and sriracha. Some say it's a sin to mix them in the broth, but I'm not here to yuck your yum.

When you think of ramen, are you picturing a package of instant noodles and a tiny seasoning packet that will make your cardiologist scream? Clearly, you have not had the miso ramen at Oolong. The housemade chicken broth swirls around braised pork belly, sweet corn, mushrooms, and more. I suggest adding a marinated soft-boiled egg and giving it all a good mix so the noodles are easier to grab as you're scarfing down your bowl.

In either case, I like to take my leftovers home. Yes, the noodles get bloated, and yes, the nutritious properties of the soups degrade, but I love pouring the remaining broth and co. over a pile of warm rice.

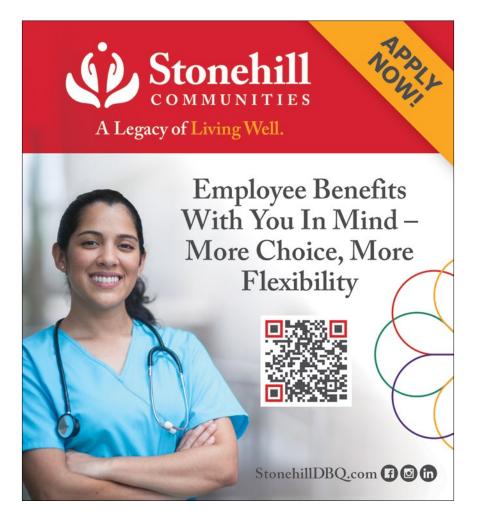
A note on to-go soups: If you order either soup for carry out or delivery, the liquids and solids will be separated. Make sure you heat the liquid up BEFORE pouring it into the bowl; this is how you reheat your ingredients and finish cooking the noodles.

CREAM OF MUSHROOM & SEAFOOD CHOWDER

EMBE EATERY BY KRISTINA NESTEBY

I don't know who introduced me to Embe. Was it 365 or Slip Silo or a random lazy stroll down Main Street that drew me in? Whatever the case may be, I'm grateful for my many encounters with Embe. Or more specifically, their soups (and bread pudding). They will warm your bones after you've spent too much time circling downtown for a parking spot. But the wait is absolutely worth it.

I usually get a cup of the cream of mushroom along with a sandwich. The base itself is mushroomy, but you'll also find artichoke hearts and sundried tomatoes in the mix. Its menu mate, the seafood chowder, hosts a blend of seafood chunks, sweet corn, and celery in a hearty, creamy soup. Both soups are excellent, and if you're feeling extra soupy, I'd suggest getting a cup of both. As with most soups, they reheat well if you have leftovers, so don't be afraid to try them out. Embe usually has a third soup of the kale and blue cheese variety, but neither Bryce nor I have tried yet. Have you? Let us know your thoughts!



FEATURE STORY 365







ASSORTED COSTUMES AT WALMART



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Halloween Costume Shopping in Dubuque

By Nicole Welsh

Sometime before the calendar date lands upon the official autumnal equinox, the signs of the approaching harvest season begin to pop up all around us. It starts with a subtle shift in the air, from heavy and humid, to something lighter and crisper brought in by a cool breeze on an unexpecting golden afternoon.

Soon after, the leaves all start to turn red and brown and orange, and so too do the shelves in most of the stores around town. Fall ingredients such as apples, butternut squash, and pumpkin make their way back onto restaurant and café menus, and the multi-decades-long debate of apple cider versus pumpkin spice briefly reignites online as people post pictures celebrating the return of their favorite fall beverages. And, as goes the legend, a Spirit Halloween will magically spring up overnight in your hometown to provide locals with all their Halloween costuming needs from a previously abandoned storefront.

At least that used to be the case. This year, we got the weather, we got the food, and we got the decorations, but due to unfortunate events, Dubuque will not be getting the Spirit Halloween store that so many spooky season enthusiasts have anxiously awaited the return

of since Halloween last year. Since Party City—who used to dedicate aisles of their party supply store to bagged costumes, inexpensive props and accessories, shiny wigs, and colorful, oil-based makeup palettes for Halloween festivities every year—had already closed in Dubuque following a pandemic-fueled bankruptcy that shook the core of the corporation, many people are now left wondering if and where they can find a costume locally for themselves and their families in 2024.

So, it seems that Dubuque is in a bit of a costume drought this year, posing a challenge for Halloween lovers who prefer the option to try things on before purchasing, or simply aren't planners and won't take the time to order something in advance. Fortunately for them, neither our local Target nor Walmart forgot what a luxury and convenience it can be to shop for some things in person.

Aisles of costume choices aren't the only thing these two have in common this season either. Both stores are offering new and recently relevant costume selections, as well as some classic go-to favorites. Their inventories include sizing for infants and toddlers, boys and girls, and men and women, and both Target and Walmart were sure to include options that would work for group and couple costumes in their inventories. They also offer different

types of costumes to choose from such as inflatables, pullovers, muscle padded suits, light-up dresses, full garment pieces, and items sold separately.

And in addition to costumes, both offer a healthy selection of accessories including tights, wigs, hats, gloves, and hairpieces; similarly, both have selections of costume makeup, spray-in hair color, faux eyelashes, press-on nails, and other popular Halloween beauty items, making either venue a potential one-stop shop.

Wicked, set to be released less than a month after Halloween, made its way onto Walmart shelves in the form of dresses, crowns, wands, hats, and brooms in sizes for both children and women. Set in the same universe as The Wizard of Oz, the updated costumes for Glinda and Elphaba apply a modern touch to the age-old question: Are you a good witch or a bad witch?

Target dedicated the end of one aisle to *Stranger Things* in anticipation of the new season expected to drop in early 2025, giving kids the chance to make a difficult choice between being a Demogorgon or a Scoops Ahoy employee—or, better yet, a Target employee, because there's a costume for that too. In fact, Target has an entire section of costumes dedicated to their own store wherein you could choose between being a

shopping cart, an employee, a shopper, or their mascot dog, Bullseye. Brilliant.

Fortnite skin costumes were quite popular in both stores, with an entire wall at Target dedicated to Party Trooper, Drift, Fishstick, and Grimey skins in children's sizes. As expected, there were a plethora of licensed superhero options, with some of the most popular being Spiderman, Iron Man, Ghost Busters, Mario Brothers, and Ninja Turtles.

Licensed Disney princess costumes also held an unsurprisingly significant presence on their shelves with shiny ruffled dresses for both classic and modern princesses such as Belle, Cinderella, Ariel, Anna and Elsa, Tiana, and Rapunzel. Wildly popular non-princess Disney characters, Asha from *Wish* and Mirabel from *Encanto* were also featured, and many of the characters had options for glittery accessories such as Elsa's boots or Rapunzel's clip-in braid.

A slightly older demographic than Disney princesses, Jenna Ortega fans will also be pleased with not only a bounty of Ghostface costumes and merchandise but also the inclusion of costumes from both *Wednesday* and *Beetlejuice Beetlejuice*; besides Ortega's characters, the costumes also include Enid and the iconic Beetlejuice himself. Fortunately, these costumes are also licensed, which means no knockoff references to "Midday Week Girl" or "Striped Ghoul Man" and overall higher quality costumes with greater character accuracy.

These stores were also sure to jump on the food costume trend, with pullover screen-printed costumes of hot dogs, hamburgers, tacos, and fries. These costumes were seemingly targeted more towards adults and pets, interestingly enough, but there were still some available in children's sizes too, as well as in different food options, making "food group" a great contender for a warm and affordable group costume that can be purchased locally.

And of course, there were many costumes and accessories provided for classic, tried-and-true generic concepts that leave room for a little more creativity in styling and mixing and matching. Angel wings and a halo headband are recognizable with almost any clothing, as are the complementary red horns, tail, and pitchfork. Fairy, butterfly, and bat wings were all well-stocked and can be worn with something from home if desired, as can plastic ghost and skeleton masks.

Despite the giant black cat currently inflated in the middle of Kennedy Mall, the overall vibe of the stores within was more cozy autumn and less spooky Halloween despite a few sprinklings of cutesy Halloween clothing or décor here and there. This came as no disappointment given

that Halloween costumes would be ill fit amongst the inventories of most of the venues; the lack of Halloween in novelty stores Claire's and Spencer's was a little surprising, however. Despite being a long-standing accessories chain boutique, the holiday display at the front of Claire's, dubbed "Get Your Ghoul On," looked much more bare than in years past with most items already in low inventory. What they did have though, including the set of white angel wings, two pink sets of fairy wings, and a couple of sparkly capes, were well-made and would make for a pretty addition to someone's costume. They also boasted a cute but limited selection of costume-y headbands including those with angel halos, devil horns, cat ears, and flower crowns. Naturally, many of the accessories throughout the remainder of the store can be used to dress up; anyone requiring hair bows or simple styles of silver or gold jewelry to complete their costume should find what they need here.

Spencer's, though never the proprietors of family-friendly costumes, used to offer inventory for adults looking for something more risqué to wear to costume parties, however, this is no longer the case at the Dubuque location. What they do offer, though, is horror, spooky, and general Halloween merchandise that better fits their store's current pop culture modus operandi. While these may not be exactly costumes, an outfit like a matching set of skeleton sweatpants and a hoodie can be a cozy costume-like option for parents taking their kids out trick or treating, or hanging out at a bonfire at night. Like Claire's, there are undoubtedly accessories throughout the store that can be used to elevate certain costume looks. but I wouldn't bank on putting together your entire Halloween look from here.

At what seems to have been the perfect time, local dollar stores have stepped up their efforts for Halloween. In past years, dollar store inventories for the holiday were usually limited to cheap, themed party supplies and cute, inexpensive holiday decorations for the home, but this year is different. 5 Below in particular offered a surprising selection of wearable Halloween options. In addition to a Halloween T-shirt wall with prices so low that I almost left the store with 16 new tees for myself, they are also displaying an impressive selection of hard plastic masks including LED-wired masks inspired by The Purge, metallic skull masks, and iridescent bunny masks, as well as those of the everpopular Jack Skellington and Ghostface, all priced around \$5. The remainder of their costume selection consists of a variety of random props and accessories such as wigs, face gems, skeleton gloves, striped stockings, and black wings.

5 Below also displayed an impressive selection of pet costumes and Halloween clothing ranging from fancy argyle bat sweaters and cozy spiderweb print vests to butterfly wings, wigs, and cowboy hats for animals. They even have the viral spider legs pet costume! Petco's selection was equally impressive with a wider, more elaborate selection including everything from lion manes and mermaid tails to tacos and chef's hats. Whereas 5 Below's pet costume inventory was geared more towards dogs, Petco, in addition to a large selection for our canine friends, also offers costumes specifically for cats, bunnies. and reptile pets. Apparently, Halloween really is for everyone in the family.

Though they're an ever-popular source for some, others might not think to shop at second-hand or consignment stores for complete costumes or single elements to piece them together. Local stores such as Goodwill, Stuff Etc, St. Vincent de Paul, and the Mission Thrift Store have considerable inventories of pre-used clothing and accessories that offer a great alternative to what is available to be purchased new elsewhere-often at a more affordable price point that enables Halloween to be fun, festive, AND frugal. For those who find comfort in the simplicity of selecting a bagged costume, Goodwill and Stuff Etc have organized multiple racks at the front of their stores with all of their gently-loved costumes currently in stock. Some costumes were whole, while others were not, so be sure to take an inventory of all included pieces before purchasing a bagged costume secondhand.

It might not be possible to do much advance planning when choosing a costume from thrift store inventories. but this challenge is frequently offset by the added level of authenticity that can come from piecing together a Halloween costume from genuine garments and unique accessories that cannot be purchased anywhere else. Costumes requiring old formalwear, vintage, or retro-inspired clothing, or old clothing to be ripped up and bloodied practically beg to be purchased at a thrift store. And in the case of clothes that will be destroyed solely for a costume, it's certainly more pragmatic to do so too.

Despite the now broken lore of Spirit Halloween in Dubuque, upon closer examination, it seems as though Halloween enthusiasts who aren't in love with online shopping will still have viable options for putting their costumes together locally this season, though with current shelf stock, sooner is probably wiser than later. Unless, of course, the juxtaposition of a Darth Vader mermaid is really what you were going for. In which case, who are we to stop you?







Spooky Events

THU 10/11

Dubuque Ghost Tours 7-9 PM @ DOWNTOWN DUBUQUE

10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 10/30, 10/31, 11/1. Trolleys of Dubuque hosts a historical, haunted tour of lowa's oldest city. Learn about hauntings at the Port of Dubuque, Mathias Ham House, Grand Opera House, Hotel Julien Dubuque, and Kelly's Bluff. Tours depart from Dubuque Star Brewery. RSVP suggested. \$25. 600 Star Brewery Dr. **563-552-2896**.

FRI **10/12**

Haunted History Walk

6:30-9 PM @ LINWOOD CEMETERY

Mon, Wed, Fri through 10/30. Join a local paranormal group at the beautiful and serene Linwood Cemetery. Hear eerie tales of times long ago as you learn about one of the oldest river towns west of the Mississippi. Step back in time and discover the people, legends, traditions, and folklore of our city. Bring a flashlight and wear comfortable walking shoes. Ages 10+. \$10. 2736 Windsor Ave. **563-213-9043**. gripsghosthunt.com.

SAT **10/19**

5th Annual Monster Dash

10 AM-NOON @ VALLEY ROAD (PLATTEVILLE, WI)
This is a family-friendly event that includes runners and walkers of all abilities.
Costumes are encouraged to be worn. Halloween-themed prizes, shirts and swag for all participants. Hosted by the Platteville Community Arboretum. \$25. runsignup.com.



Haunting on Lincoln Avenue

11 AM-4 PM @ MATHIAS HAM HISTORIC SITE Historic ghost tales are the name of the day. Guided tours will be available on the hour and half-hour at 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. The House will be decorated in traditional Victorian-style Halloween decorations. Activities include make-your-own mask and play harvest-themed games. Enjoy fortune-telling and a witch's cave. All ages. Members: Free; Non-members: \$9 adult, \$6 youth. 2241 Lincoln Ave. 563-557-9545. RiverMuseum.org.



The Phantom of the Hazel Green Opera House

11 AM & 2 PM @ HAZEL **GREEN OPERA HOUSE** (HAZEL GREEN, WI) 10/19 and 10/26 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., 10/20 and 10/27 at 2 p.m. Spooky things are happening as Witch Hazel Green's friends gather for a Halloween karaoke party. An eerie voice warns people not to sing. Objects fall on stage. Suddenly a masked stranger swoops in and sweeps away Scarecrow Sally and her new friend. Witch Hazel and Frankie set off to rescue them, searching all the rooms and corners in the building. \$5. 2130 Main St, Hazel Green, WI. 608-732-7129. hazelgreen operahouse.blogspot.com.

Fright at the Fort

3-7 PM @ APPLE RIVER
FORT STATE HISTORIC
SITE (ELIZABETH, IL)
Sit in on a frontier funeral and learn the 19th century origins of many of our modern mourning customs. Meet the ghost of John Gray and hear from

the ghost himself the story of his life—and death—during the Black Hawk War. Take part in the haunted history scavenger hunt and enjoy a historical selection of scary stories. Free. 311 E Myrtle St, Elizabeth, IL. 815-858-2028. AppleRiverFort.org.

Haunting on Lincoln Avenue Evening Tours

5:30 & 7 PM @ MATHIAS
HAM HISTORIC SITE
Enjoy thrilling retellings
of ghosts, fiends, and the
unexplained. The "tour" will
take place in various rooms
throughout the darkened
Mathias Ham House and
consist of classic scary stories
by costumed interpreters.
Adults: \$12; Youth: \$7. 2241
Lincoln Ave. 563-557-9545.
RiverMuseum.org.

FRI **10/25**

Iowa Invaders Halloween Hike

5-7 PM @ SWISS

VALLEY NATURE CENTER (PEOSTA, IA) This non-scary hike is educational and fun for the whole family. You will be guided along the trail to meet different characters, including spotted lanternfly, garlic mustard, house sparrow, and more. Afterward, warm up by the fire with s'mores and hot chocolate. RSVP required. \$5, free ages under 3. 13606 Swiss Valley Rd, Peosta, IA. 563-556-6745. dubuquecountyiowa.gov/ conservation.

Murder and Mayhem in a Mining Town

5:30–9 PM @ DESOTO
HOUSE HOTEL (GALENA, IL)
Experience an evening of
dark Galena history, eerie
folklore, and true ghost
stories, with a touch of
music. Hear of infamous
murders, tragedies, and
hauntings that have lingered
throughout Galena's darkest
history\$75. 230 S Main St,
Galena, IL. 815–777–0090.
hauntedgalena
tourcompany.com.

SAT 10/26

Sweet Treats on Main

11 AM-1 PM @ MAIN STREET, PLATTEVILLE, WI Main Street fill your little ones' bags with various goodies and offer special discounts as a treat for the adults. See your children's favorite characters also trick-or-treating. Get your photo taken with Disney Princess. The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums will be offering train rides, weather permitting. Enjoy a free 9:30 a.m. movie showing at the Avalon Cinema, Free, plattevillemainstreet.com.

Spooktacular Costume Contest

NOON-1 PM @ KENNEDY MALL Kids ages 2–15 are invited to show off their scariest, funniest, or cutest costumes for a chance to win prizes. A panel of judges will evaluate the contestants in a variety of categories, offering multiple opportunities to win. There will be extra fun with activities like face painting, plus trick-or-treating inside the mall after the contest. RSVP. 555 JFK Rd. **563-556-1994**. **kennedymall.com**.



Haunted Mine Tours 5-9 PM @ THE MINING & **ROLLO JAMISON MUSEUM** (PLATTEVILLE, WI) Platteville's spookiest Halloween tradition has returned with ghost miners around every corner. Descend deep into the past and experience an underground mine illuminated by candles and lantern light as you discover historical truths that are stranger than fiction. RSVP recommended. Ages 13+: \$20, Ages 65+: \$16, Ages 6-12: \$12. 405 E Main St. 608-348-3301. mining.jamison.museum.

A Ghostly Gathering

5:30 PM @ SHAKE RAG
ALLEY CENTER FOR THE
ARTS (MINERAL POINT, WI)
Featuring live music with
Feast of Mutton, a fire show
with fire breathing and angle
grinding with Miss Mega, fire
dancing with Natalie Heck,
night market, food trucks,
magic, carnival games, and
more. Vendor spots available.
\$25. 18 Shake Rag St, Mineral
Point, WI. 608-987-3292.
shakeragalley.org/
ghostly-gathering.

SUN 10/27

Mad Scientist Party

9 AM-4 PM @ NATIONAL
MISSISSIPPI RIVER
MUSEUM & AQUARIUM
Everyone is welcome to
come in costume—not just
kids. Trick-or-treating and
other activities including
games, science experiments,
music by the Americana
Band, and all of the regular
daily programming will be

available throughout the day. Bring your own reusable container for trick-or-treating or buy a reusable bag from the museum. Activities and crafts will be available starting at 10 a.m. including an underwater pumpkin carving at 11:30 a.m. Discount admission can be purchase online. 350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545**. **RiverMuseum.org/events**.



Theisen's Dog-O-Ween

3 PM @ THEISEN'S
Dress up your furry friends
for a howlin' good time.
Registration starts at 1 p.m.,
and the contest starts at
3 p.m. Prizes will be awarded
for dogs only or join in the
fun and enter as a dog and
person combo with 1st place
receiving a \$150 gift card, 2nd
\$100 gift card, and 3rd \$75 gift

card. All contestants receive a gift bag and \$10 store coupon. All proceeds will benefit a local humane society or animal shelter. \$10/entry, free for spectators. 2900 Dodge St. 563-557-8222. facebook.com/ theisensdubugue.



3rd Annual Halloweer PAWty

4-7 PM @ DARKBIRD

TAPHOUSE (PEOSTA, IA)

Get your furry friend dressed up to win some spooky prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. There will be two costume contests: best dog costume and best human/dog costume. Food and drink specials will be available.
7305 Thunder Valley Dr, Peosta, IA. 563-590-7081.

darkbirdtaphouse.com.

Brew Ha Ha Players Present: Spooktacular

5-7 PM @ STONE **CLIFF WINERY** Legendary Hollywood directors are in town to cast and shoot their new big-budget killer thriller when life suddenly imitates art in a very real and bloody way. Popular horror stars Leslie Craven, Bella Lagossi, Jason Krueger, and Freddie Voorhees vie for parts in this open-call slasher flick when suddenly someone literally gets CUT from the film. Stir in wildly adventurous props mistress Leanne Chaney and Russian Cinematographer Igor Karloff, and it's hard to tell where the laughter ends and the horror begins. Includes a four "corpse" meal and a show. \$85. RSVP by Oct. 19. 600 Star Brewery Dr. **563-583-6100**. stonecliffwinery.com.

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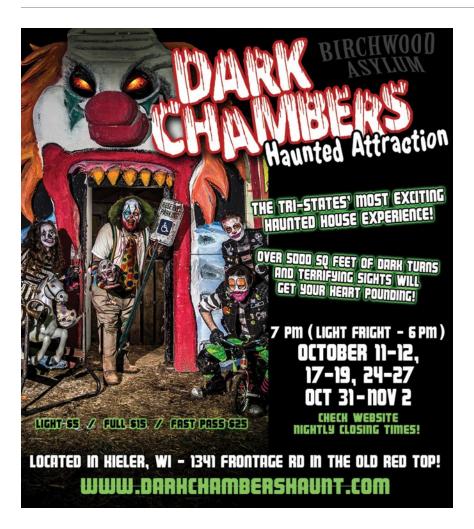
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TUE 10/29

Ghost Hunting at the Masonic Temple

6-9 PM @ MASONIC TEMPLE Do you ever feel like you are being watched or smell something that reminds you of someone who has passed? You might be in the presence of a ghost. Join GRIPS, Great River Investigative Paranormal Society, to look for paranormal activity. Learn about the history of the building and reported hauntings. GRIPS will bring equipment to investigate the location, and describe how and why to use it. \$25.1155 Locust St. 844-642-2338 x1399. nicc.edu/solutions.

FRI **11/1**

Samhain Psychic Fair and Vendor Show

2-8 PM @ EAGLES CLUB 11/1 at 2-8 p.m., 11/2 at 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Celebrate the Halloween season and discover a world of mystical wonders, unique crafts, and spiritual insights. Highlights include tarot readings, psychic sessions, handcrafted goods, crystals, local artisans and vendors, workshops, and live demos. Perfect for those seeking spiritual connections, unique gifts, and a deep dive into the magic of Samhain. \$1. 1175 Century Dr. **563-207-8658**. higher-selfholistics.com.

SAT **11/2**



The Grimoire Exhibition 4-9 PM @ GRAND

RIVER CENTER
Inspired by pop culture and classics like Sabrina the Teenage Witch and American Horror Story, The Grimoire Exhibition and large-scale market came to life. The exhibition brings together various vendors of witchcraft,

Halloween, dark couture, supernatural, strange, and metaphysical items, crystals, tarot, psychics, and pop culture collections (candles, herbology, fairytales, folklore, fragrance, hand-crafts, and small businesses). Come dressed for Halloween, horror stories, folklore, grimm tales, anthologies, or gothic colors, blacks and whites, or creative styles. \$25.500 Bell St. grimoireacademy.com.

Samhain Costume Ball

7 PM-MIDNIGHT @ EAGLES CLUB Don't miss this thrilling evening of fun, frights, and festivities. Perfect for all ages. Dress up in your most creative costumes and dance the night away. Highlights include costume contest with prizes, live DJ and dancing, photo booth, and themed décor. Come in costume and celebrate the magic of Samhain. \$35. 1175 Century Dr. 563-207-8658. higher-selfholistics.com.

Trick- & Trunkor-Treating

Dubuque County Fairgrounds

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 @ 5:30-7 PM 14569 OLD HIGHWAY RD

Peosta Community Centre Track

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 @ 6-7:30 PM 7896 BURDS RD, PEOSTA, IA

Crescent Community Health Center

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 @ 6-8 PM 1690 ELM ST

Bridge Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 @ 4:30-6:30 PM 395 W 9THST

Farley, IA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 @ 5:30-7 PM

Epworth, IA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 @ 6-7 PM

Five Flags Center

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29 @ 5:30-8 PM 405 MAIN ST

EXIT Realty

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30 @ 4:30-6 PM 1200 CEDAR CROSS RD

East Dubuque, IL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 5-7 PM

Galena, IL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 5-7 PM

Mineral Point, WI

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 5-7 PM

Dubuque, IA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 5:30-7:30 PM

Asbury, IA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 5:30-7 PM

Platteville, WI

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 5:30-7:30 PM

Dyersville, IA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 5:30-7:30 PM

Peosta, IA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 @ 6-7:30 PM

Attractions & Pumpkin Patches

Schuster's Pumpkin Patch & Corn Maze

SAT & SUN THROUGH 10/27 @ 10 AM-5 PM 7541 SCHUELLER HEIGHTS RD Corn maze, wagon ride, pumpkin blaster, paintball wagon, pumpkins, and concessions. 563-556-2879. SchustersPumpkinPatch.com.

Dittmar Farms & Orchard

SAT & SUN THROUGH 10/27 SAT @ 10 AM-5 PM & SUN @ 11 AM-4 PM 256 S GREBNER RD, ELIZABETH, IL Gamily owned and operated since 1854. Pumpkins, sweet corn, u-pick apples, hayrides, and a corn maze. \$10. 815-218-6942. dittmarfarms.com.

Vesperman Farms

THROUGH 10/27 MON-FRI @ NOON-7 PM; SAT @ 10 AM-7 PM; & SUN @ 10 AM-5 PM

8149 STAGE RD, LANCASTER, WI 5-acre corn maze plus mini maze for younger children. Tire mountain, duck races, trebuchet, 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! \$12.49 ADV/\$14.49 gate, free ages 4 and under. VespermanFarms.com.

Grimmwood Acres

THROUGH 10/31 @ 6-10 PM 13549 SURREY LN

Grimmwood Acres is a ghastly experience sure to thrill all ages! The haunt is a complete song and light show in a handcrafted cemetery with your local favorite: the singing Jack-O-Lanterns. Piping out holiday classics like "This Is Halloween" and "Monster Mash," these pumpkins are hoping to spook you this holiday season. Free.

Wellington Lane Lights

THROUGH 11/3

SUN-THU @ 6:30-9 PM & FRI-SAT @ 6:30-10 PM 6520 WELLINGTON LN

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OCT 11-12, 17-19, 24-27, 31 & NOV 1-2 @ 7 PM 1341 FRONTAGE RD, KIELER, WI Test your mortality inside the 5,000 sq ft haunted attraction, \$5 Light Fright; \$15 Full Scare; \$25 Fast Pass. DarkChambersHaunt.com.

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OCT 11-13, 18-19, & 25 @ 7-10 PM EAGLE RIDGE RESORT & SPA (GALENA, IL) The Twilight Asylum Haunted House features uniquely themed rooms, each designed to send shivers down your spine as visitors encounter eerie characters and terrifying surprises. From the deranged doctor's office to the haunted operating room, every step through the asylum reveals new horrors designed to keep visitors on their toes. Recommended Ages 10+. \$10. 444 Eagle Ridge Dr, Galena, IL. 815-777-5000. eagleridge.com.

Fear Forest

OCT 12, 19, & 25 @ 7-10 PM SHENANDOAH RIDING CENTER (GALENA, IL) Start at the barn with music, food, and drinks (sold separately). Then muster up the courage to face your fears! Space is limited. RSVP required. \$10. 200 N Brodrecht Rd, Galena, IL. 815-777-9550. ShenandoahRidingCenter.com.

await parade participants. Each special marching **Parades JDIFF Halloween Parade** 18. Hosted by Asbury Area Civic & Recreation

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 @ 7 PM DOWNTOWN DUBUQUE

The Julien Dubuque International Film Festival (JDIFF) brings the Halloween parade back to downtown Dubuque for another year. Cash prizes will be given to the best film-themed float, walking group, and band. Featuring music by DJ Papi. Register your float, organization, band, or walking group by Oct. 14. JulienFilmFest.com.

Asbury Halloween Parade

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 @ 7 PM SPRINGGREEN DR, ASBURY, IA

The parade starts at Lord of Life Church at the corner of Springreen Drive and Hales Mill Road and ends in Asbury Park where special treats

group or float will have a sign announcing their group. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. To participate, register your group by Oct. Foundation. 563-556-7106. CityOfAsbury.com.

44th Annual Galena Halloween Parade

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26 @ 6:30 PM MAIN STREET, GALENA, IL

The largest, longest, and spookiest Halloween parade in the Tri-States features spectacular floats. marching bands, hot air balloons, costumed participants, prizes, and treats for guys and "ghouls" of all ages. Take the kids to the Kids Fest and grab a bite to eat before the parade at the food festival. Shuttles to and from the Walmart parking lot run 4:30-9:30 p.m. and are \$5 round trip for ages 6 and up. Hosted by the Galena Area Chamber of Commerce. 877-434-5114. GalenaChamber.com.



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THU **10/10**

Millwork Night Market: Marzipan Mailbox 5 PM @ 7th-9th & Jackson St

Scott Waterhouse 7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Karaoke 8 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

The Wayback Machine 9 PM @ The Goose

Jesse Ray and the Carolina Catfish, Dick Hubert 9 PM @ The Lift

FRI **10/11**

Studio Showcase 11:30 AM @ Clarke University Jansen Music Hall

Secrets
5 PM @ Southend Tap

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

DR Duo 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Steve & Randy 7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Brushfire Bandits Duo 7 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

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

The Mixed Emotions Band 7 PM @ Twisted Vines (Potosi, WI) Harry Potter Trivia w/ GQ Entertainment 7 PM @ The Market at the Tap (Monticello. IA)

Cal Coohey 8 PM @ First Reserve

John Stage 8 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

NOT.GREENDAY 8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Rooster/BlackHole Sun 8 PM @ Q Showroom

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon 8 PM @ Frentress Lake Bar & Grill (East DBQ, IL)

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

Here Come The Mummies, Toxhards 8 PM @ Codfish Hollow Barnstormers (Maguoketa, IA)

Ghost Light Improv 8:30 PM @ Smokestack

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

Jordan Danielsen 9 PM @ Dockside

ARP of the Covenant 9 PM @ The Lift

Taking Back Friday Emo Night w/ Trash Gordon 11 PM @ Smokestack

SAT **10/12**

Dubuque Farmers' Market: Jacquie Miller, Scott Kaczinski, Lincoln Morris-Winter 8 AM @ Near 12th and Iowa St

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

Ryan Bizarri 1 PM @ PJ's Pub (Kieler, WI)

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

Kara Gordon 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard (Galena, IL)

Centennial Cross Benefit: Massey Road 2 PM @ Burkey's Bar

Kampfire Kings 2 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Diamonds Are Forever: Dubuque Music Men Barbershop Chorus, The Newfangled Four 3 PM @ Heritage Center

Mississippi Band 3 PM @ Southend Tap

Joseph John Valenti 5 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

The Mixed Emotions Band 5 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

Sam Day 5 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

Elizabeth Mary 5 PM @ Off Shore Resort (Bellevue, IA)

Barefoot & Sunshine 6 PM @ Jubeck New World Brewing



Jef Spradley 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

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

Stone Wolf Trio 7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

The Stoney Boys 7 PM @ Eagle Point Fishing BARge (Hazel Green, WI)

Tony Walker 7 PM @ Galena Brewing Co (Galena, IL)

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

John Stage 8 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

Faith & Four Letter Words 8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Foo Foo Dolls 8 PM @ Q Showroom

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

SUN **10/13**

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

Darrell, Jacque, and Connie 1 PM @ O So Good Winery (Dyersville, IA)

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

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

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

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

Jacquie Miller 3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

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

TUE **10/15**

Autumn String Orchestra 7 PM @ Clarke University Jansen Music Hall WED 10/16

Gypsy 5 PM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

Shekinah King 6:30 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Jay Vonn 7 PM @ First Reserve

THU **10/17**

Peter Fletcher 7 PM @ Carnegie-Stout Library

Ryan Niemiller 7 & 9:30 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

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

Kristina Marie Castañeda & Shawn Healy 7:30 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Bobcat 8 PM @ The Goose

Sea Shanty Sing-Along 9 PM @ The Lift

FRI **10/18**

Broken Rubber Band 6 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

Joseph John Valenti 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

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

Jimmy Welty Band 6 PM @ Twisted Vines (Potosi, WI)

UD Fall Band Concert 7 PM @ Heritage Center

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

The Resistors 7 PM @ Southend Tap

Three Quarter Buzz 7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

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

John Moran 8 PM @ First Reserve

Hard Salami 8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Not Quite Brothers 8 PM @ Q Showroom Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon 8 PM @ The Other Side (East DBQ. IL)

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

Ray DeVito, Jack Allen 9 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

Iowa Dirt Nationals: Rock Steady 10:30 PM @ Maquoketa Speedway (Maquoketa, IA)

SAT **10/19**

Dubuque Farmers' Market: Sophie Coyote, Cameron McCallister, Lincoln Morris-Winter 8 AM @ Near 12th and Iowa St

Dubuque Farmers' Market: The DZ Combo 9:30 AM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

Logan Bollant 1 PM @ PJ's Pub (Kieler, WI)

Elizabeth Mary 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard (Galena, IL)

Jimmy Welty Band 2 PM @ Burkey's Bar

Eagle Pointe Place Autumn Vendor Fair: Ryan Bizarri 2 PM @ Eagle Pointe Place

Kampfire Kings 2 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Massey Road 4 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

EBJ the Band 5 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

DR Band 6 PM @ Gehlen Barn (St. Donatus, IA)

Absolute Singer Contest Qualifying Nights 7 PM @ Northside Bar

Big Night Out 7 PM @ Southend Tap

Joie Wails 7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

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

Elvis Meets the Beatles 7 PM @ Ohnward Fine Arts Center (Maquoketa, IA)



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Denny & Bernie 8 PM @ Asbury Eagles Club (Asbury, IA)

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

Tony Walker 8:30 PM @ Grape Escape

Ray DeVito, Jack Allen 9 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

William Elliott Whitmore, Erin Hedley 9 PM @ The Lift

Cirque du Buque 10 PM @ Smokestack

Bratober fest: Trav Midtown Marina (East DBQ, IL)

SUN 10/20

Kristin Rose Kelly 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard (Galena, IL)

Elizabeth Mary 1 PM @ O So Good Winery (Dyersville, IA)

Jacquie Miller Duo 2 PM @ Beer in the Barn Brewery (St. Donatus, IA)

Shannon Woulfe 2 PM @ River Ridge Brewing (Bellevue, IA)

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

Beau Timmerman 2 PM @ PromiseLand Winery (Guttenberg, IA)

Jordan Danielsen 3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Tony Walker 3 PM @ Textile Brewing Co (Dyersville, IA)

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

WED **10/23**

Rianna Marie 5 PM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

A Night in Japan 6 PM @ Clarke University Atrium and Jansen Music Hall

Tapestry 6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

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

Stone Wolfe Duo 7 PM @ First Reserve

Family Feud Game Show Night w/ GQ Entertainment 7 PM @ Lina's Lounge

THU **10/24**

Glimmer of Hope: Ralph Kluseman, Heartland Harmony Choir 5 PM @ Hotel Julien Dubuque

Steve Mcintyre 7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena. IL)

Songwriters Showcase: Desiree Irwin & Lenny Wayne 7 PM @ Galena Center for the Arts (Galena, IL)

Jester's Laugh Battle 8 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

FRI **10/25**

Steve & Randy 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Broken Rubber Band 6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

Brushfire Bandits 7 PM @ Southend Tap

Rock Steady 7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Jimmy Welty Band 7 PM @ BAR-tell (Hazel Green, WI)

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

The Driftless Ramblers 8 PM @ First Reserve

John Bush, Derek Graff 8 PM @ The Jester's Lounge

Frank Martin Busch and the Names 8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar Chase Matthew 8 PM @ Q Showroom

Enemies of Confusion 8 PM @ Smokestack

The Amadans 8 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Pub (Galena, IL)

Smelly Cat Karaoke 10 PM @ Sandy Hook Tavern (Hazel Green, WI)

SAT **10/26**

Dubuque Farmers' Market: Simple Company, Lexi Healey, Ace Jones 8 AM @ Near 12th and Iowa St

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

Kristina Marie Castañeda 1 PM @ PJ's Pub (Kieler, WI)

Steve McIntyre 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

Jim Mantey 1 PM @ Galena Cellars Vineyard (Galena, IL)

Kampfire Kings 2 PM @ Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

DR Trio 6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Triple Threat 6 PM @ O So Good Winery (Dyersville, IA)

Blues on the River: The Blues Party 6:30 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery Star Event Room

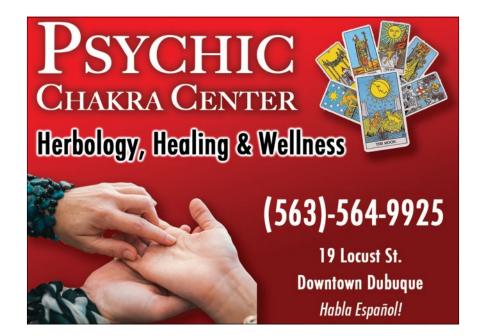
Trivia w/ Bob's Trivia 7 PM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

Absolute Singer Contest Qualifying Nights 7 PM @ Northside Bar



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Barefoot Becky Band

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- PARADE 10am
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- CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AND BOUNCY HOUSE 11am
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- STROLLING BUTTON BOX COSTUME CONTEST 2-2:30pm
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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 1PM @ 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 Ist 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) Ft & 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

Trivia w/ Triviawithbrett 6 PM @ Hy-Vee Locust Bingo w/ Denise & Darla 6 PM @ Northside Bar Through 10/30

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 *1st Wed*

Open Mic 7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

Speedquizzing Trivia w/ GQ Entertainment 7 PM @ Lina's Lounge No event on 10/23

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

The Mixologist DJ AA 7 PM @ Southend Tap

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

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/ Dante Steele Entertainment 7 PM @ Riverboat Lounge Xtreme Bar Bingo 7 PM @ Galena Eagles Club (Galena, IL) Through 10/31

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

Trivia Night 6 PM @ Maquoketa Brewing (Maquoketa, IA) Ft Fri

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

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*

Chris Ross 11 AM @ Breitbach Country Dining & Skip Breitbach Feeds (Balltown, IA) Through 10/26

Gladdy Ressler, Jamie Jones, Special Guests 1PM @ 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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Upcoming Entertainment



The Struts

OCTOBER 26 @ 8 PM

The Struts have been a live sensation since they first erupted onto the scene with their certified Platinum anthem, "Could've Been Me," taking the No. 5 spot on Alternative Radio and introducing the world to their triumphant, timeless rock sound. Following the release of their critically-acclaimed debut, 2016's *Everybody Wants*, the British rockers set out on the road, bringing their energetic tracks alive on stage with larger-than-life performances and cementing their reputation as a must-see live act. Lead vocalist Luke Spiller, guitarist Adam Slack, bassist Jed Elliott, and drummer Gethin Davies combined their on-stage prowess and perpetual musicality to reach No. 1 on Spotify's Viral Top 50, garner more than 850M on-demand streams, and put them in the studio collaborating with Kesha, Tom Morello, Robbie Williams, Def Leppard, and more.



Faith & Four Letter Words

OCTOBER 12 @ 8 PM
Join the dynamic duo for the ultimate
ladies' night out that will make you laugh,
cry, and leave feeling empowered.



Arch Allies

OCTOBER 19 @ 8 PM

Premier '80s rock tribute band Arch Allies is back by popular demand. Close your eyes and sing along to the songs you love with no more tracks but a real keyboard.

Additional Entertainment

NOT.GREENDAY

OCTOBER 11 @ 8 PM

HARD SALAMI OCTOBER 18 @ 8 PM

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NOVEMBER 30 @ 8 PM

CRYSTAL GAYLE

DECEMBER 7 @ 8 PM

ROCK STEADY
DECEMBER 13 @ 8 PM



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Diamonds Are Forever— 75th Year and So Is Barbershop

PRESENTED BY THE DUBUQUE MUSIC MEN BARBERSHOP CHORUS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 @ 3 PM HERITAGE CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL (2255 BENNETT ST)

The Dubuque Music Men Barbershop Chorus will welcome The Newfangled Four as the headline quartet for their annual barbershop show. Diamonds Are Forever, And So Is Barbershop will be held on Saturday, Oct. 12 at 3 p.m. at Heritage Center.

The Dubuque Music Men Barbershop Chorus is the primary performing ensemble of the Dubuque chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. Established in 1949, the Dubuque chapter has been one of the Tri-State area's most active musical organizations. The current membership includes men ranging from teenager to senior and from experienced performer to novice singer.

Under the direction of Pamela Mumm, the Dubuque Music Men Barbershop Chorus's mission is to promote the arts by creating a place where people experience the joy of singing and the harmony that happens when we connect with others, as well as growing as individuals and as a chapter.

From Southern California, The Newfangled Four is one of the top barbershop quartets in the world, performing all around the United States and internationally. Combining old fashion slapstick humor with their quirky offbeat comedy, The Newfangled Four merges their talents as top-notch harmony singers and world-class entertainers. The quartet has also recorded tracks for the Lifetime Movie Network. With millions of views on their YouTube performances, The Newfangled Four are proud to introduce the barbershop art form to aspiring young singers around the world.

Tickets are \$22 and can be purchased at the Heritage Center Farber Box Office, by phone at **563-585-7469**, or online at **www.DBQ.edu/heritagecenter.** ■



BritBeat— The Immersive Beatles Tribute Experience PRESENTED BY EDGE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 @ 7:30 PM HERITAGE CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL (2255 BENNETT ST) Celebrate the 60th anniversary of The

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Celebrate the 60th anniversary of The Beatles invasion of America with Brit-Beat—The Immersive Beatles Tribute Experience. The critically acclaimed Beatles tribute band returns to Heritage Center on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m. This one-night-only event

promises to be an unforgettable evening for Beatles fans of all ages, offering an immersive journey through the iconic music and history of The Beatles.

"We're thrilled to bring BritBeat back to Dubuque," said Show Producer Chris Getsla. "Our previous performance was met with incredible enthusiasm, and we can't wait to share this experience with both new and returning fans. With the energy and excitement of a live performance combined with the timeless music of The Beatles, this show is truly something special."

BritBeat's performance features stunning costume changes, dynamic multimedia displays, and authentic instrumentation that captures the spirit and sound of The Beatles from their early days to their final years. The band's attention to detail and passion for The Beatles' music make this a must-see event.

With meticulous attention to detail, BritBeat has captivated audiences across the country, bringing the magic and excitement of The Beatles to life.

Tickets are \$25-\$65 and can be purchased at the Heritage Center Farber Box Office, by phone at **563-585-7469**, or online at **www.DBQ.edu/heritagecenter.** ■



LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES

FRI 10/11



ARP of the Covenant

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

ARP of the Covenant are a trio of electro-acoustic improvisers, drawing inspiration from the ARP 2600, a 1970s-era analog synthesizer known for being unpredictable except in the most expert hands. While ARP of the Covenant may be unpredictable, they're far from inexpert as their intricate, ambitious, appealing music demonstrates. We first saw them at Isabella's basement bar at the Ryan House more than a decade ago and are thrilled to see them back in town at The Lift. If avant-garde music is you jam, don't miss this show.

THU **10/17**



Ryan Niemiller
7 & 9:30 PM @ THE JESTER'S LOUNGE

(333 E 10[™]ST) TICKETS: \$18

Ryan began his comedy career in Los Angeles and hasn't looked back since earning a 3rd-place finish in ABC's America's Got Talent competition! He's a favorite performer in clubs and colleges across the country. His comedy covers topics such as dating, trying to find employment, and attempting to find acceptance in a world not designed for him. **TheJestersLounge.com**.

FRI **10/18**



Not Quite Brothers

8 PM @ Q SHOWROOM (1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD)

TICKETS: \$10

Not Quite Brothers is Central Iowa's fastest growing cover band. Formed in 2018, the band quickly became known for their huge sound, eclectic setlist, and ability to enhance any party. Fans of all ages agree: "It feels like I am watching the band they are covering in their heyday," and "It's so cool to see a younger generation playing my favorite songs on stage!" Sam Johnson (vocals) and Isaac Johnson (guitar) are twins, and although Cooper Corcoran (guitar), Ben Schmelzer (drums), and Nathan Klein (bass) are of no relation to each other, these five fellas are as tight as brothers... but not quite. QCasinoAndResort.com.

SAT 10/19



Elvis Meets The Beatles

7 PM @ OHNWARD FINE ARTS CENTER (1215 E PLATT ST, MAQUOKETA, IA) TICKETS: \$25 ADV/\$28 DOOR ADULTS, \$15 ADV/\$18 DOOR STUDENTS

See the concert that never happened but everyone wishes it did! This show will be a tribute to Elvis and the Beatles when they rocked the world. Feel the excitement and energy as these two great tribute acts portray these artists. Everett Dean will be covering two eras of Elvis Presley's career. The Fab Lads will be covering the concert and recording

studio eras of The Beatles. All this will be in one jam packed night of entertainment. **OhnwardFineArtsCenter.com**.



William Elliot Whitmore, Erin Hedley
9 PM @ THE LIFT (180 MAIN ST, LOWER LEVEL)
TICKETS: \$30

Born and raised on a small farm in lowa, a love of the land has always been an important part of William Elliott Whitmore's life. An appreciation for nature and its cycles being taught from an early age. That awareness of birth and death is a constant theme in the songwriting, through a lens of hopefulness and acceptance. These things unify us as people, a theme that is often explored in the music. With a banjo, guitar, and kick drum, Whitmore seeks to convey these ideas. For over 20 years, he has traveled the world, performing everywhere from Rome, Italy to Rome, GA. He's played basements, backyards, festival stages, and Carnegie Hall, and has no plans to stop anytime soon. facebook.com/theliftdubuque.

FRI 10/25



John Bush, Derek Graff

8 PM @ THE JESTER'S LOUNGE (333 E 10THST) TICKETS: \$10

10/25 at 8 p.m., 10/26 at 9:30 p.m. John Bush appeared in the major motion picture Way of the Warriors. He can currently be seen as Mr. Nichols on The Kyle Dunnigan Show on YouTube where he is also a writer. John appeared on Hulu's Triumph's Election Special 2016, AXS TV's Gotham Comedy Live, and Fox News's Red Eye with Tom Shillue. As an actor, he has been seen on TV's Spin City, Law and Order: Special Victims Unit, The Thomas Crown Affair, and in the internationally touring hit comedy Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy. John has performed stand-up comedy on HBO, Comedy Central, as well as sketches on Late Night with Conan O'Brien. Derek Graff is a Chicago-based stand-up comedian

whose dry, self-effacing style has made him a Midwest favorite. His small-town upbringing and big city experiences have given him plenty to laugh at himself about. Derek performs at clubs and festivals all over the country including Zanies, The Laugh Factory, Accidental Comedy Festival, The Dallas Comedy Festival, and the Whiskey Bear Comedy Festival. **TheJestersLounge.com**.



Chase Matthew 8 PM @ Q SHOWROOM (1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD) TICKETS: \$25

Warner Music Nashville's Chase Matthew, a native of Music City, has swiftly become one of Nashville's hottest newcomers, captivating fans everywhere. Matthew began his career by independently paving himself in the genre due to his magnetic personality, electrifying performances, and relatable music which have amassed nearly 700 million global streams, earning him more than 1.34 million social media followers and the title of HITS magazine's "One to Watch." Matthew's viral hit "County Line" garnered a remarkable 185-plus million streams, surpassing RIAA's platinum certification threshold. His albums Born for This and Come Get Your Memory propelled him to remarkable success. Chase's first radio single "Love You Again" off the Come Get Your Memory album entered the Billboard Hot 100 chart. QCasinoAndResort.com.

SAT 10/26



Blues on the River: The Blues Party 6:30 PM @ STONE CLIFF WINERY STAR EVENT ROOM (600 STAR BREWERY DR) TICKETS: \$18

Long time members of the Madison blues scene play a wide variety of music, both originals and covers, and are dedicated to their collective love of electric blues and classic rock. **StoneCliffWinery.com**.

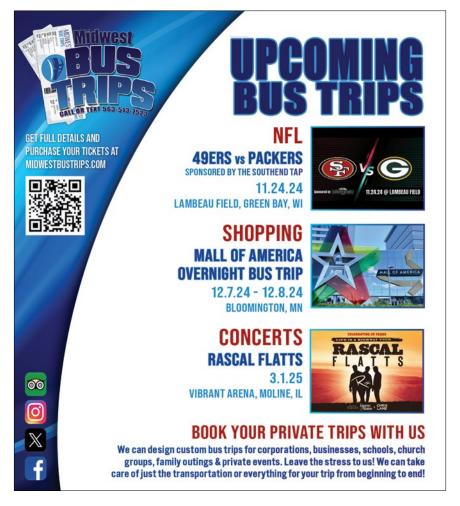
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Grilled Cheese Croutons

MAKES 1 SERVING

All You Need:

- 2 slice(s) Hy-Vee sharp cheddar cheese
- 2 slice(s) Baking Stone sourdough bread
- · 2 tbsp. Hy-Vee butter divided
- 2 c. purchased Progresso Protein soups

All You Do:

- Sandwich cheese slices between bread slices. In a sauté pan, heat 1 tablespoon butter or olive oil until melted over medium heat. Add the sandwich and gently press down, continuing to cook until golden. Add the remaining tablespoon of butter or olive oil, flip the sandwich over and cook until golden. Transfer to a cutting board and cut into bite-size croutons.
- Heat the Progresso Protein soup of your choice in a medium saucepan until heated through. Serve soup with prepared croutons.

Recipe adapted from: hy-vee.com



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Plus it Up! Using Progresso Soup

Simple Souped Up Additions for Busy Days and Nights

By Hy-Vee Nutritionist Megan Dalsing

As the days grow shorter and the leaves begin to change colors, we know fall is just around the corner! With the cooler weather comes a craving for warm, comforting foods, and what better way to enjoy the season's flavors than a hearty bowl of soup? Soup is a fantastic choice for your lunch or dinner, offering a cozy, nutrient-dense meal packed with warmth and hearty flavor. Soups are often loaded with vegetables containing vitamins, minerals, fiber, and antioxidants. They can also be a great way to get more protein into your day, either with animal-based proteins like chicken or beef or vegetarian proteins like beans or lentils. Let's go over some nutrient-dense options when choosing canned soup the next time you shop at Hy-Vee!

Get Your Protein and Get Going

Don't let hunger slow you down! Progresso Protein soups are designed to be part of a quick and easy meal solution that doesn't compromise nutrition. Whether at home or on the go, these soups provide a substantial source of protein to help keep you energized throughout the day. For an easy meal with a boost of nutrition, Plus it Up! Each can of Progresso Protein soup is delicious on its own, but you can maximize the nutritional benefits by pairing it with wholesome sides to create a more balanced meal:

- Low-Fat Dairy: A dollop of plain Greek yogurt, a sprinkle of low-fat cheese, or a splash of milk can add a creamy texture and extra protein. You can also serve low-fat dairy and soup with a glass of low-fat milk!
- Whole-Grain Crackers: Pair your soup with whole-grain crackers or a slice of wholegrain toast for added crunch and fiber.
- Extra Veggies: An easy side of baby carrots, celery sticks, or cucumber slices can help add a refreshing, veggie-filled crunch! A fresh side salad with leafy greens, veggies, and a vinaigrette can also help add vitamins, minerals, and fiber.
- Side of Fruit: A piece of fruit like an apple, banana, or orange provides a bright and sweet complement to your savory soup with an added boost of nutrition.

A Variety of Flavors to Savor

Progresso Protein soups come in a wide range of delicious flavors! Made with high-quality ingredients, each soup provides a rich and hearty addition to any meal. Some of our Hy-Vee dietitian favorites include:

 Hearty Grain Vegetable Soup: The hearty and wholesome meat-free recipe features chickpeas, carrots, and barley in a savory tomato broth with 18 grams of



grain crackers and baby carrots.
Mediterranean-Style Lentil: This cozy and delicious vegetarian protein soup includes half a cup of vegetables and 24 grams of protein per can. Plus it Up! by topping with Greek yogurt or crushed bean-based chips.

adding a side of whole

- Southwest-Style Black Bean: Savor the flavor of black beans, corn, barley, and roasted red bell pepper in a tomato-based broth with 20 grams of protein per can. Plus it Up!™ by stirring in a 100% canned pumpkin puree spoonful.
- Chickpea & Noodle: Enjoy 17 grams of plantbased protein per can and curly noodles in a rich base with spices. Plus it Up!™ and pair with cheesy toast and an apple or side salad.

So, the next time you need a quick and convenient meal, reach for Progresso Protein soups and Plus it Up! with your favorite nutrient-dense sides. And while you're at it, consider upgrading your oyster crackers with the following family-friendly spin on croutons!

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The Way of the Hermit

By John McAndrew

"Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?" —Mary Oliver

Judging from his book, *The Way of the Hermit*, co-written with Will Millard, Ken Smith should be added to the list of people who most of us would not choose to imitate, while being glad that they exist and remind us that other options *are* available.

Ken Smith was born into a dirt-poor family in Scotland 75 or so years ago. He had a mother and father and siblings. He went to school for a bit, grew up, and worked in the trades. His stories about work are Dickensian. He knew folks who were maimed and killed at work.

Just before his 27th birthday, Ken was almost fatally injured by some skinheads. Later, he had a fall at work that should have ended him. The near approach of death awakened in him a desire to live life. To live *his* life, the way he wanted to live the time he had on this planet. Which, by the look of things, was fixing to be short.

"It was plainly obvious from a very early age that I was never going to be someone who was stuck indoors in a suit and tie, trapped behind a desk, working for some fool that didn't even know my name. A fascination with the nature and the outdoors was deep in me from birth—as I'm sure it is for many children before the world of school, work and adulthood squeezes it right out of them."

He took some time off and traveled to Alaska and Canada with a friend, and then alone. They lived off the land for as long as they could, until their meager funds ran out and they returned home. After his second trip, he knew what he wanted.

"I returned to England in 1984, aged 36, homeless and jobless, with a very straightforward choice to make. I could go right back to the working-class job... or I could take that man, born in Derbyshire but made in the wilds of British Columbia, the Yukon and Alaska, and get him to replicate that newfound way of life on his own island."

Having set his direction, he stuck with it. Like the rest of us, he had some setbacks, some unexpected encounters—one, with a grizzly bear in a junkyard, is particularly memorable—some unexpected support from neighbors and friends, and a couple more encounters with unsavory types.

And ghosts. Maybe it's just that the Brits have a way with stories. But Ken tells a couple of ghost stories that make this very skeptical reader sit up and ask, "Okay, what, exactly, happened?" One story was from his

childhood. The less benign one caused him to flee a cabin one night in December and not stop until he had gone 18 miles, ending up close to where he finally built his permanent home, near Loch Treig. Ken had a little

income from the government—disability or the dole, or both, it's not clear—as well as his work as a deer stalker for his landlord. His work included building his home, gardening, and hunting. This is not a life for the lazy or those devoted to convenience. No electricity, no plumbed water, no sewage hookup, no phone. If he wanted heat in the winter, he had to gather and chop the wood and keep his walls and roof in ship shape.

He's nobody's guru or life coach. He's... just Ken. He's the old gentleman who lives in the woods, who sometimes comes to town for groceries and a pint. Not looking to be anyone's role model. He knows his life isn't for everyone. And he does a fine job of explaining why he finds it better than the stifling alternative.

"Beyond accident, the biggest killers in the Western world are the symptoms of our own perpetual boredom and dissatisfaction with life's mundane direction. A slow death through the grinding monotony of a routine that does us absolutely no favors. Booze, gambling, junk food, drugs or smoking, all just to mask the tedium, while accelerating us closer to the grave, deepening our depression, and stealing away the simple joys of being alive. Renting us back two weeks of annual holiday, and then having the cheek to tell us we should be glad of it, before locking us all away again."

You might end up envying him and checking your life's plan. Or you might end up saying, "Not for me," and having a greater appreciation for the things we daily take for granted. Maybe some combination of the two.

Or you may decide he's just a crank who should've stuck with a job in town, raised a family, bought a house and a car, and yearned for a bigger house and a newer car. Like *normal* people.

He won't much care, either way. He's got wood to chop, water to carry.

There was a movie on BBC that proceeded this book by a couple of years. If you want to know more, look for a film called *The Hermit of Treig.*

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Dubuque Area History Expo

Dubuque Area History Expo at Steeple Square

SUNDAY, OCT. 20 AT 1 TO 4 P.M. STEEPLE SOUARE

The Dubuque Area History Expo is a celebration of local history and community. Organized in honor of National Archives Month, this inaugural event aims to connect the community with the organizations that help to preserve Dubuque area history. Go to rivermuseum.org/expo for complete details. The Dubuque Area History Expo is free and open to the public.



Paws for Good

SATURDAY, OCT. 26 AT 10:30 A.M. TO 12 P.M.

Stop by the library to meet some adoptable animals and enjoy hands-on activities for the whole family.

Please consider donating an item or two to the Dubuque Regional Humane Society to support animals in need.

Find a list of needed items at dbqhumane.org/fetch-list.

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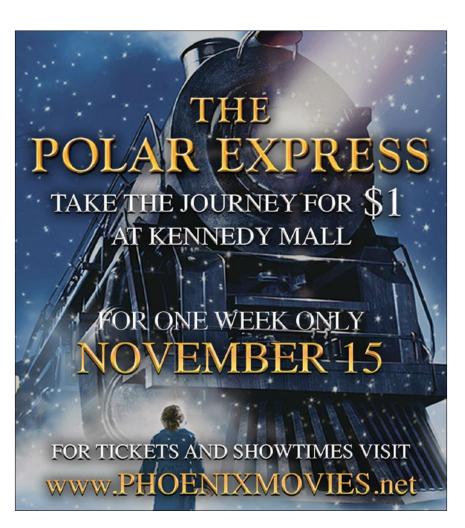


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PACE MOVIE NEWS

Coming Soon

PIECE BY PIECE (PG)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

A unique cinematic experience that invites audiences on a vibrant journey through the life of cultural icon Pharrell Williams. Told through the lens of LEGO animation.



TERRIFIER 3 (R)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

After surviving Art the Clown's Halloween massacre, Sienna and her brother are struggling to rebuild their shattered lives.

As the holiday season approaches, Art the Clown returns, determined to turn their holiday cheer into a new nightmare.



THE APPRENTICE (R)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

A young Donald Trump (Sebastian Stan), eager to make his name as a hungry second son of a wealthy family in 1070s Now York, comes

in 1970s New York, comes under the spell of Roy Cohn (Jeremy Strong), the cutthroat attorney who would help create the Donald Trump we know today. Just in time for election season!



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 Relive Jack Skellington stumbling into Christmastown to get a new lease on life as he



plots to bring Christmas under his control by kidnapping Santa Claus and taking over the role. This Halloween Christmas movie is getting another go in theaters for the Halloween season.

WE LIVE IN TIME (R)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Almut (Florence Pugh) and Tobias (Andrew Garfield) are brought together in a surprise encounter that changes their lives. Through snapshots of

lives. Through snapshots of their life together—falling for each other, building a home, becoming a family—a difficult truth is revealed that rocks its foundation.

SMILE 2 (R)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18
About to embark on a new world tour, global pop sensation Skye Riley (Naomi Scott) begins experiencing increasingly terrifying and

inexplicable events. Overwhelmed by the escalating horrors and the pressures of fame, Skye is forced to face her dark past to regain control of her life before it spirals out of control.

GOODRICH (R)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Andy Goodrich's (Michael Keaton) life is upended when his wife and mother of their nine-year-old twins enters a 90-day rehab program,



leaving him on his own with their young kids. Thrust into the world of modern parenthood, Goodrich leans on his daughter from his first marriage, Grace (Mila Kunis), as he ultimately evolves into the father Grace never had.

Movie Buzz

In 2022, Amazon MGM won a bidding war and began developing a big-budget,



live-action adaptation
of *Voltron* with Red Notice's Rawson Marshall
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Thurber directing. And now, the *Voltron* movie casts a newcomer in its lead role who was Tom Holland's understudy in *Romeo and Juliet*. Daniel Quinn will star in the film which is set to film this fall in Australia. The movie, if you live under a rock or are under 40, is based on the mid-1980s sci-fi cartoon centered on five young pilots from

a battalion called the Robot Lions whose vehicles combine to create a giant robot.

Guillermo del Toro's Frankenstein movie has finished filming. The auteur director known for his work



on films like *Pan's Labyrinth* and *The Shape of Water* has been kind of secretly been working on an adaptation of Mary Shelley's famous novel featuring a star-studded cast including Oscar Isaac as Dr. Victor Frankenstein, Jacob Elordi as The Monster, and Christoph Waltz as Dr. Pretorius. No details as to when the movie will be release or any other concrete details.



Guard Your **Attitude** Like a Treasure

By Matt Booth

When it comes to feeling good about your work and life, there's one key you can't afford to misplace: your attitude. Seriously, your attitude is your golden ticket to happiness and success. It's the MVP of your personal toolkit, especially when life throws you those inevitable curveballs. And let's be real—there will always be tough times (if you haven't experienced any lately, just wait until Monday).

So, what's the takeaway here? Protect your positive attitude at all costs. Yes, ALL costs. Imagine your attitude as a priceless family heirloom, the kind you'd lock up in a vault or wrap in bubble wrap (and then wrap that bubble wrap in more bubble wrap). You need to defend it from the daily assaults life throws at you. And guess what? Everyone and everything can become a threat. Friends, family,

coworkers—yup, even the barista who gives you decaf when you specifically asked for caffeine can test your attitude.

If you let your guard down, your positive attitude is in danger. And when that happens, say hello to its evil twin: the negative attitude. Once negativity sneaks in, it's like letting a raccoon loose at a picnic-it'll wreck everything in sight. Not only does it mess with your vibe, but it also ruins how others perceive you. And don't think they won't notice! Your attitude seeps into everything—your tone of voice, facial expressions, even that awkward twitch you get when you're faking a smile.

So, how do you keep this precious attitude safe from the world's negativity ninjas? You've got to be like a GPS, navigating away from the bad stuff and rerouting toward the good. Negativity is everywhere: in the news, on social media, at the office, and, let's face it, sometimes even in your own kitchen. Protect yourself. If the morning news is bumming you out, turn it off. If your coworker invites you to yet another gossip session, politely decline and grab your lunch elsewhere. Seriously, if you're not looking out for your attitude, who is?

Now, here's where the discipline comes in. You've got to actively dodge those negative influences like they're dodgeballs flying at you during gym class. Every time you avoid negativity, you're essentially putting a protective shield around your attitude, much like a mama bear fiercely guarding her cub. Trust me, taking this stance will only increase your chances of living your best life.

Remember, if you don't protect your attitude, no one else will. So, go ahead and be that mama bear. Your attitude is worth it. Now, go out there, smile, and take on the world! You've got this.

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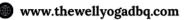
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"I'VE SAT IN A MUD HUT IN THE MIDDLE OF AFRICA, AND EVEN THERE, THEY RECOGNIZE THE BIBLE AND THE AMERICAN FLAG. WITH THAT RECOGNITION COMES A RESPONSIBILITY—TO HONOR AND SERVE GOD AND OUR COUNTRY BY UPHOLDING THE VALUES AND IDEALS THEY REPRESENT." - MATT BOOTH

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Spot the Difference

Can you spot 10 differences in this photo of kids enjoying a scoop of Vesperman Farms ice cream from Lancaster, WI? The farm with a corn maze, pumkins, and so much more is now open for the fall!





Spot the Difference Answers





Upcoming Family Events

FRI **10/11**



Kids Night Out
5:30-8:30 PM @ LORAS
COLLEGE GRABER
SPORTS CENTER
Play sports, games, crafts,
bounce house, swimming,
and more. Hosted by Loras
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Boys and Girls pre k-6th
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563-588-7947. lorasgirls
basketballcamp.com.

SAT **10/12**



Lollipops & Music for Our Preschoolers

10–10:30 AM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY 2ND SAT THROUGH 4/12 Northeast lowa School of Music introduces children to a variety of musical styles and instruments. Come prepared to sing, play instruments, and dance. Children leave with a greater appreciation of music and a lollipop. Free. 360 W 11th St. **563-690-0151. nisom.com**.



Youth Cooking Class: Homemade Pasta from Scratch

3-5 PM @ GALENA ARC (GALENA, IL) Chefs will learn the art of pasta making from scratch, from mixing dough to shaping noodles, this hands-on adventure is filled with creativity and delicious flavors. Attendees will also make pasta sauce. Enjoy the culinary talents at the end of class, and any leftovers can be brought home to enjoy. Bring a 3-5 quart pot to boil pasta and two containers with lids for any leftovers. Also, bring your favorite beverage to enjoy during class. Instructed by Diana Berman from The Tangy Loaf. Grades 5-8. \$45. 11084 W US HWY 20, Galena, IL. 815-777-2248. galenaarc.org.

SAT **10/26**



6-8 PM @ GALENA TERRITORY OWNERS' CLUB (GALENA, IL) Enjoy an unforgettable evening under the stars at this stargazing event. Whether you're a seasoned stargazer or a curious beginner, you'll have the opportunity to learn about the constellations. stars, and fascinating stories behind them from experienced professional and amateur astronomers. Bring your telescope or observe through those provided and explore the wonders of the night sky. Don't forget to pack a lawn chair or blanket for comfortable seating; remember that the event is weatherdependent. Come and be amazed by the beauty and mysteries of the universe. All ages. Free. 2000 Territory Dr, Galena, IL. 815-777-2000. TheGalenaTerritory.com.

THU **10/31**



School's Out Day Camps

9 AM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM 10/31, 11/1. Join the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium for School's Out Day Camps that take place on weekdays when the Dubuque Community School District is not in session. These full-day camps are for students in K-5th grade. Students are required to bring a sack lunch and a reusable water bottle. A limited number of School's Out Day Camp Scholarships are available to those who are in need of assistance. Members: \$50, Non-members: \$60.350 E 3rd St. **563-557-9545**. rivermuseum.org.





October Fire Prevention Month

A Time for Awareness and Action.

October is recognized as Fire Prevention Month, a vital initiative aimed at raising awareness about fire safety and prevention.

Understanding Fire Risks

Fires can start anywhere and at any time, making it crucial for individuals and families to understand the risks. Common causes of residential fires include cooking, heating equipment, electrical issues, and smoking. By identifying these risks, households can take proactive measures to minimize them.

Key Prevention Tips

- Install Smoke Alarms: Ensure smoke alarms are installed on every level of your home and inside each sleeping area. Test them monthly and replace batteries annually.
- Create an Escape Plan: Develop and practice a fire escape plan with your family. Identify at least two exits from each room and a meeting point outside.

- 3. Practice Kitchen Safety: Stay attentive while cooking. Keep flammable materials away from heat sources and never leave cooking unattended.
- 4. Safe Heating Practices: Keep heating equipment, such as space heaters, at least three feet away from flammable objects. Have your furnace inspected annually.
- Electrical Safety: Inspect electrical cords for wear and tear.
 Avoid overloading outlets and use extension cords sparingly.
- Store Flammable Materials Properly: Keep flammable liquids in approved containers and store them away from heat sources.

Now is the time for all of us to evaluate safety measures in our homes and businesses. By educating ourselves and our communities, we can significantly reduce the risk of fire-related tragedies. Take the time this October to implement safety practices and ensure that your home is a safe haven.

Steve's Ace Hardware has a great selection of smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguishers, and other fire safety products for any home or business.

Check out these products and more online: **AceHardware.com**.





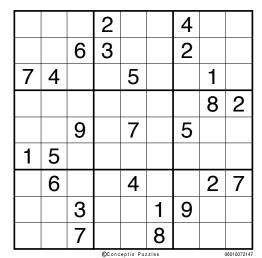




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By Dave Green



WHERE'S GENERAL BOB?

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



PREMIER Crossword

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Dupaco Community Credit Union hung their very cool new sign outside their downtown Dubuque "Voices" building headquarters in downtown Dubuque's Millwork District.



365ink's own Bryce Parks and his wife Christy Monk were among many art lovers who took home freshly painted works from the recent Bluff Strokes Plein Air Paint Out event in Dubuque.



Galena Oktoberfest brought a traditional celebration of German culture, from wiener dog races, polka contest, beet and brats, to these two guys playing Alp horns, of course! Photo by Alice McMahon.



This new mural "The Forbidden Bookshelf" was recently finished behind Dubuque's new pocket park at 9th and Central. It celebrates more than 40 banned or challenged books. Drive by and check it out... or stop at the park and have lunch or read a great book!



Many hands make light work as about 30 volunteers including the Senior High School Silver Cord students sort toys purchased over the summer ahead of the upcoming Toys For Tots season.



The Galena Cellars 14th Annual Fall Harvest Festival featured Scenic Art Loop by ARRT artists showcasing their works and even some good old-fashioned grape stompin. Photo by Stephonie Schmitz.



Homecomings were celebrated all across the Tri-States recently just like at West Dubuque High School where Donovan Tran and Izzy Rima were crowned 2024 Homecoming King and Queen!



Great music was just one of the cultural highlights to take center stage at this year's Dubuque Latinx Fiesta, hosted by Dubuque Unidos outside the Smokestack entertainment venue in Downtown Dubuque.



Denver Air Connection's Embraer ERJ-145 to and from Chicago O'Hare beginning Nov 4.



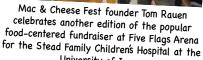


the recent Bushwood Classic Golf Outing fundraiser for the Julien Dubuque International Film Festival held this year



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DEAR ANGELA,

I work for a company who plans those super important national days, you know, like National Angel Food Cake Day and Wear Something Gaudy Day. We obviously take this very seriously—we pride ourselves on these days going off without a hitch. September days had been going so well. I really think we

made a statement with National Acne Positivity Day this year! But then, the day before National Teddy Bear Day, the proverbial stuffing hit the fan. The team all pulled together to discuss our day-of marketing strategy. The real high stakes stuff-making sure that all scheduled posts went out on time and all the influencers we contracted with stuck to their guidelines when posting TikTok and Instagram stories, and that we got good coverage on *The Today Show*. I asked Sasha, our newest media coordinator, if she had gotten ahold of the producers of the show so that we could confirm they were using a regulation size teddy bear during the segment. She blew up at me! "No one cares about the size of the bear!" Then she just started rambling "It's all futile. None of this matters. Everything is gonna end eventually anyway, and a stuffed animal won't stop that!" and stormed out! This was totally unacceptable and nearly ruined the whole day. What can I do to get my whole team back on track? We need to be on our A Game for National Deep Fried Clam day in less than a month! —Frustrated on National Fruit at Work Day

DEAR FRUSTRATED,

Wow, this sounds like a really big deal. How are you expected to do the hard work of celebrating days when your coworkers' vibes are off? National Forgiveness Day isn't until NEXT Sept. 1, so you've got a lot of time to enact strict new policies and procedures to make sure this doesn't happen again. I recommend mandatory counseling sessions for everyone. Then have posters printed for all your meeting rooms that state "Nihilism Will Not Be Tolerated" in Times New Roman Bold. Finally, buy everyone a new stuffed toy just in time for Plush Animal Lover's Day on Oct. 28.

DEAR ANGELA,

It never fails, I get to mid-October and haven't figured out a Halloween costume. I'm not one to wear any of those "sexy nurse" type outfits. Have any good ideas for a costume?

—Boring on Bristol Drive

DEAR BORING.

I'm so glad you wrote early, as my best costume idea takes some time to prepare. Start now to ensure your Halloween look is on point. First, stop plucking your mole hairs and trimming your

eyebrows. Make your own broom out of the drying fall grasses, adopt a black cat, start wearing only loose fitting flowy skirts and tops, and start practicing your incantations. Not ready to dedicate that much time? You could throw on a suit jacket and a brooch and start spouting some of these quotes: "Life is grim, and we don't have to be grim all the time." Or "So people are talking about revolution. What a revolution it would be to have a woman president." If one of your girlfriends can't guess who you are based on this very obvious costume that any dummy should get immediately, get really angry, and make a scene. Exclaim: "I'm Madeleine Albrecht dummy!" Then continue with "She was right 'There is a special place in hell for women who don't help other women." and then storm off. It will be fun for the whole party.

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ARIES

(APR 19-MAY 13)

You'd like to learn a new skill, but you're still a couple thousand XP from your next level. But when the time comes, consider multiclassing as a roque. They get the most skill points.



TAURUS

(MAY 14-JUNE 19)

It's not that your parents couldn't stand to be in the same room together. It's that they found it easier to put up with your crap in shifts.



GEMINI

(JUNE 20-JULY 20) Even though you're

comfortable in your ways, you're just a heartbeat away from falling apart. You're basically an old recliner held together by farts.



CANCER

(JULY 21-AUG 9) Oh, sure. Run your mouth

off like that. See what happens. It's like you're just looking for the wrong person to piss off, and you mess with the cosmos? The cosmos doesn't think you're that cute.



LEO

(AUG 10-SEP 15)

You'll put the "fine" in "finances." Obviously, this means you'll suffer some fines you'll have to pay. But it also means you'll be fine, financially. Must be nice.



VIRGO

(SEP 16-OCT 30)

Soon, you will reach a spiritual crossroads. Bring an instrument, just in case it's the devil you meet there.



LIBRA

(OCT 31-NOV 22)

There's just no way to sugarcoat it: Things just aren't going to go your way for the foreseeable future. You can either sit there and whine about it or you can... nope... nevermind. All you can do is sit there and whine about it.



SCORPIO

(NOV 23-NOV 29)

The cosmos advises you to follow your heart instead of the dollar, but the cosmos doesn't have to buy groceries these days. The cosmos doesn't have any skin in the game, either, because you're such a small part of the cosmos, you hardly matter. Wow... astrology is such crap, isn't it?



OPHIUCHUS

(NOV 30-DEC 17) Trust fate. After all... you don't have any choice. Because it's fate.



SAGITTARIUS

(DEC 18-JAN 8)

You can't spell "intimate" without "inmate." And you'll have five to 10 to figure that out. That sounds like a tasteless prison sex joke, but it's a legitimate silver lining for you.



CAPRICORN

(JAN 9-FEB 15)

Expect the week to start out rocky. Next week will start out rocky, too. Then things will get a little cartoonish with Rocky III before launching a cultural Cold War salvo in Rocky IV.



AQUARIUS

(FEB 16-MAR 11)

Why use the word "utilize" when you can just utilize the word "use"?



PISCES

(MAR 12-APR 18)

While this season is certainly good for a scare, what you're experiencing isn't a thrill, a chill, or a shock. No. No, you're just a coward.



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