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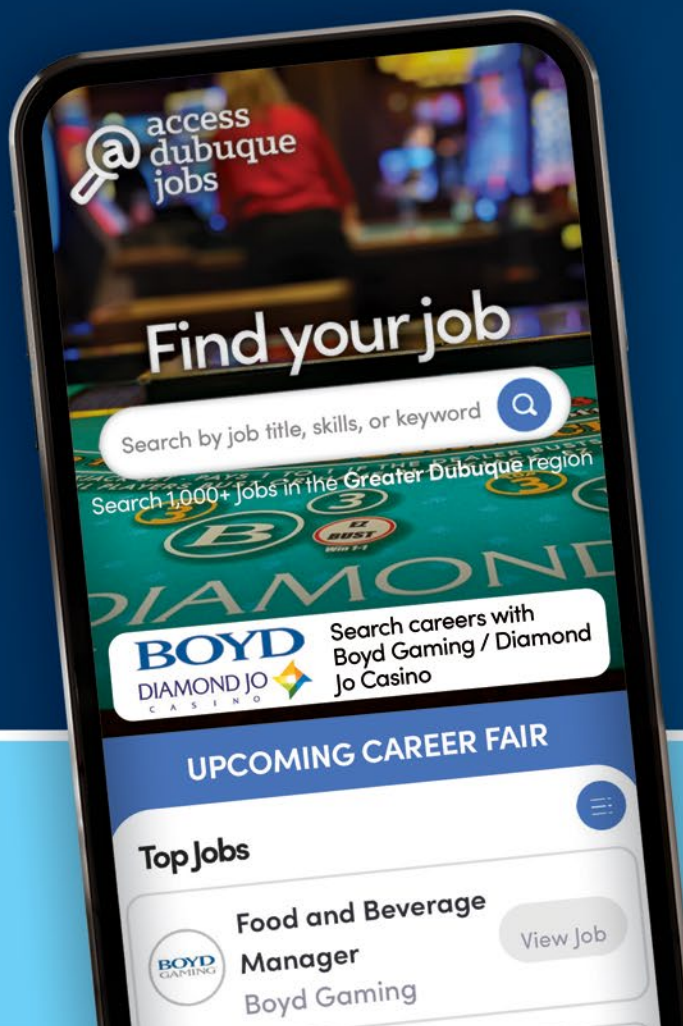
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## COVER

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 As Heritage Works looks ahead to the next 10 years, it's impossible not to look back on the journey that propelled the community, region, and state with the intentional leadership of former organization President and CEO, Duane Hagerty

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## UPCOMING ENTERTAINMENT



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 ONE NIGHT, THREE TRIBUTE BANDS!  
 FEBRUARY 1



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**LIVE BAND  
 KARAOKE**  
 COMPETE FOR CASH PRIZES!  
 FEBRUARY 7



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**VICEBOX**  
 ROCK  
 FEBRUARY 8



VALENTINE'S DAY  
**DUELING PIANOS**  
 FEBRUARY 14



**BILLY GARDELL**  
 COMEDIAN & ACTOR  
 FEBRUARY 15

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I know we're well on our way into this new year, but can I go back to Christmas for a little bit? Did you get what you wanted for Christmas? Do you find that the older you get, you really don't need anything because when you need things, you just go buy them? That's the boat I'm in anyway, as is my wife.

Yeah, I can always use all the Audible credits you can throw at me, and I still have not used all the car washes from the last time I got them as a gift. So, what do I say when people ask me for gift ideas?

The same goes for Christy. And I have her parents and brother asking me for ideas, so by the time I give them all the low hanging fruit, I'm stumped for things she'd like and use. She doesn't do jewelry or perfume. Like the ultimate old person move, I literally got her socks and underwear which are, at least, not your run of the mill socks. But after that, what? A mountain of chocolate so dark that I don't even like it?

With both of us trying to think of practical things we know each other

will use, we both got each other Los Aztecas gift certificates, unknown to each other. It's the closest restaurant to the house and gluten friendly. So, I guess we're set there for quite a while.

She did take me shoe shopping while visiting her parents in Minneapolis. I tend to destroy a good pair of shoes each year by the end of Toys for Tots season. And I have a beef about that experience.

I like the recent invention of the slip-on tennis shoes like Sketchers Slip-Ins. But what the hell, Sketchers? MUST you make the "Slip-in" branding of the shoe a major part of the actual shoe design? Okay, I'm old and fat and out of shape, and I don't like bending over to tie my shoes or even sticking my finger in the heel to make sure my foot goes in the shoe instead of crushing the heel. But I really was not looking forward to boldly advertising my laziness to the world. "Hey world, I'm too stiff and sore to tie my shoes, so I'm phoning it in!!" These suckers aren't Dolce & Gabbana. They're Sketchers.



Nobody flaunts the fact that they wear Sketchers. Get over yourselves! And the heel says "Go Walk." How about you go stuff it? Don't tell me I'm lazy. I know I'm lazy, thank you very much!

Do I want a big "NON-STICK" logo permanently emblazoned on my cookware even after I open it? Do I want people to know if my jeans have a stretchy waist? NO! And they don't say that. Does a person with a car that parallel parks itself because they are inept drivers want a big stripe down the side of the car that says "IT PARKS ITSELF"? No. No. NO! So Sketchers, why use big bold text at an angle across the most viewable part of my shoe to advertise the function of the shoe? I paid for these. Once you get my money, I want to take off the packaging and pretend I'm a normal person. I hope your marketing crew doesn't also design a Depends-friendly pants line!

My other beef is less of a complaint and more of a, "You've got to be friggin' kidding me." We were in a Best Buy looking for a MagSafe case for an iPhone that's been on the market for more than a month, so naturally, they didn't have those anymore. But while Christy was looking for it, I was browsing. I saw some cool-looking Segway scooters on display. They were nice and sturdy, and I'll bet they'd get you to work and back real nice, and they were like, \$300 to \$500 on sale. And 30 seconds later, I was looking at a pair of Apple over-the-ear AirPods Max headphones. You know, like what we used to call "cans" back in the day. \$550! For a pair of headphones! Electric scooters that drive you 25 miles at 15 MPH... \$350. Headphones... \$550! I put them on. They didn't even seal particularly well. Certainly not noise-cancelling compared to plenty of others I've tried out. I can't even fathom dropping \$550 on a pair of headphones. Even Bose headphones are only \$350.

JB� and Sony under \$100. So I looked online, I could only find one pair more expensive than the Apple ones, and if you're so well off that you'll buy the \$1,300 Dali IO-12 Wireless Noise Cancelling Headphones, you're not impressing me. You're gullible. End of rant.

Lastly, we got my mother-in-law the best Breville toaster oven you can get (which was still less than a pair of Apple headphones). She liked the convenience and versatility of our Breville so much, we just tried to get her the same one, though ours is 5-6 years old and used daily that whole time. It was such a perfect gift idea that my father-in-law also got her a Breville toaster oven! But while we got the biggest one you can get which turned out to be bigger than our own, he got the smallest, so it could go in the same little space that their current toaster sits. In the end she chose... neither! One was too big and one too small. So, we took the small one back, as it was purchased locally there in Minnetonka, and got her the just the right size one. And we brought the big one back to return here in Dubuque.

In unrelated news... I now have a brand new, bigger, state-of-the-art Breville toaster oven on my counter and retired the perfectly good older one to a friend. This sucker not only has the convection button, but a SUPER CONVECTION setting. And I have no idea what that the SUPER part even means. And it has an air fry setting and a dehydrate setting. I think it might also do dishes, but I haven't read the instruction manual yet. And I'll always have the peace of mind knowing that this amazing oven with all of these fancy functions was \$150 less than the Apple headphones.

And you know what this sweet toaster oven does NOT have? Big, annoying, permanent marketing built into the oven's glass panel design screaming at me that it AIR-FRYS! Stupid Sketchers. ■

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## New Car and Truck Show

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 31 @ 10 AM-7 PM**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 @ 11 AM-6 PM**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 @ 11 AM-3 PM**  
**GRAND RIVER CENTER (500 BELL ST)**

The New Car and Truck Show takes over the Grand River Center on Friday, Jan. 31 at 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 1 at 11 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 2 at 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

View the largest selection of new vehicles in the Tri-State area under one roof in a climate-controlled environment. Concession stands will be open during the show for food and beverage.

Hosted by Anderson Weber Toyota; Riley Subaru; Richardson Honda, GMC, Cadillac; Finnin Ford & Kia; and McGrath Hyundai, VW, and Chevrolet.

The car show is free to attend. For more information, email [afinnin@mikefinnin.com](mailto:afinnin@mikefinnin.com).

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# SEASON OF THE ARTS

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## Winter Arts Snow Sculpting Festival

**PROPOSALS DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 31**  
**SNOW STOMPING VOLUNTEERS: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 @ 8 AM-NOON & 12:30-4:30 PM**  
**SCULPTING FESTIVAL: FEBRUARY 6-9**  
**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 @ NOON-4 PM**

**WASHINGTON PARK (700 LOCUST ST)**

The 2025 Winter Arts Snow Sculpting Festival takes place Feb. 6-9 at Washington Park, with community activities on Sunday, Feb. 9, from noon to 4 p.m. This free, family-friendly event is produced by the Dubuque Museum of Art in partnership with the City's Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs.

Throughout the festival, teams of professional, amateur, and collegiate sculptors will compete by carving giant snow sculptures from 6-by-6-by-8 feet blocks of solid snow. The winning team will receive \$1,000, and all teams will have the opportunity to claim the People's Choice Award, which comes with a \$300 cash prize. Entries must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 31.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the snow blocks for sculptors. Snow stomping will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 4, with two shifts available: 8 a.m.-noon or 12:30-4:30 p.m. Volunteers should be prepared for physical labor. Those interested in volunteering can call the Dubuque Museum of Art at **563-557-1851** or email [info@dbqart.org](mailto:info@dbqart.org).

On Sunday, Feb. 9 at noon-4 p.m., head to Washington Park and inside the Dubuque Museum of Art for free, family-friendly activities. The community



celebration includes hands-on snow sculpting, food and beverage vendors, and the opportunity for attendees to vote for their favorite sculptures. A community snow sculpting area will be available for anyone to try their hand at snow carving, with preformed blocks of snow and tools provided.

The Winter Arts Snow Sculpting Festival is an annual celebration of community creativity, and it coincides with more than the Super Bowl this year. This year's festival theme, "Creative Community," is inspired by the Dubuque Museum of Art's landmark exhibition, *Dubuque by Design: Celebrating 150 Creative Years*. The festival also serves as the exhibition's closing event.

For more information, visit [cityofdubuque.org/winterarts](http://cityofdubuque.org/winterarts).

## SAT 2/1

**Take Your Child to the Library Day**

**9-11:30 AM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
Take Your Child to the Library Day is the perfect time to discover the library, make friends, play, and have fun. A special Saturday storytime will kick the day off at 9:30 a.m. Visitors are also encouraged to explore different areas of the library where they will encounter new adventures. Libraries are for the entire family. Carnegie-Stout Public Library supports life-long reading habits through book clubs, reading challenges, and more; offers places to study and gather; provides resources for learning and play; and has free programming for all ages. Stop in for a visit. Enjoy the activities. Get a library card (they're free!). 360 W 11<sup>th</sup> St. **563-589-4225**. [carnegiestout.org/events](http://carnegiestout.org/events).

**Basics of Gardening Class**

**9-10 AM @ CONVIVIUM URBAN FARMSTEAD**  
Convivium Farm Manager AJ will take you through the why, what, where and most importantly the how of gardening. You will learn about seed selection and starting, about what to take into consideration when picking the location of your garden, and how to make a plan. You will also learn about different bed options, garden maintenance, and how to harvest. \$15-\$22.50. 2811 Jackson St. **563-557-2900**. [Convivium-Dbq.com](http://Convivium-Dbq.com).

**She Unites Recess: Snowshoeing**

**9:30-10:30 AM @ FILMORE FAIRWAYS (CASCADE, IA)**  
Hike the snow-covered golf course and have a bonfire afterward for a morning of community and recreation. The guide from Dubuque County Conservation will take you on an hour-and-a-half excursion. She Unites Recess programming is an intentional community-building

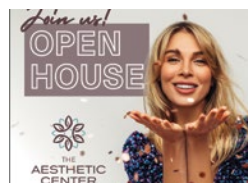
activity-based program. She Unites is on a mission to connect amazing women through unique opportunities that get us out of our comfort zones. All are welcome. Register to secure a pair of rental snowshoes or indicate if you are bringing your own. RSVP required. Free. 21655 US 151, Cascade, IA. [sheunitesiowa.com](http://sheunitesiowa.com).

## MON 2/3

**Dubuque Military Chaplains Day and Month Ceremony**

**6 PM @ UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE CHAPEL**  
The Dubuque American Legion Post #6, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 508, Disabled American Veterans Unit #6, Dubuque Marine Corps League, Tristate Women Warriors, Tristate Vietnam Veterans Association, and the University of Dubuque Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC), proudly honors all chaplains that made the supreme sacrifice of their lives to the common cause of human freedom and justice for all so this ultimate loss shall not have been in vain. Chaplains Day and Month are a time to reflect on the service of those chaplains who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving their God and our nation. 2000 University Ave.

## THU 2/6

**The Aesthetic Center by Medical Associates Open House**

**3-6 PM @ THE AESTHETIC CENTER BY MEDICAL ASSOCIATES**  
Celebrate the center's 4-year anniversary with informational sessions and live demos on their most popular treatments; 20% off

on products and services during the event; and giveaways and chances to win thousands of dollars in FREE products and treatments: CoolSculpting, Dysport, Fire and Ice Facial, Halo Laser, and ZO Skin Health. The first 25 people to RSVP and attend will receive a ZO Skin Health product (valued at \$55). 1605 Associates Dr, STE 102E. **563-584-3444**. [bit.ly/tac2025openhouse](http://bit.ly/tac2025openhouse).

**Dubuque County Business Competition Fundraising Fair**

**5 PM @ THE INNOVATION LAB**  
Listen to pitches from businesses and vote for your favorite concept. The crowd favorite and the top five judges' picks move on to the live pitch event where the top three businesses receive seed funding of \$17,750 total to help fuel business growth. 210 Jones St. [innovationlab.us/dbqbizcomp](http://innovationlab.us/dbqbizcomp).

**Sustainable Landscaping**

**6 PM @ JAMES KENNEDY PUBLIC LIBRARY (DYERSVILLE, IA)**  
Learn about sustainable options for landscaping from a Dubuque County Naturalist. Be ready to write down ideas and draw out your landscape design to implement native plants, rainwater harvesting systems, and more. This will be an interactive class with time for questions throughout, in order to make it work for your property. RSVP encouraged. 320 1<sup>st</sup> Ave E, Dyersville, IA. **563-875-8912**. [dyersville.lib.ia.us](http://dyersville.lib.ia.us).

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## Souper Bowl Sunday

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 @  
3-4:30 PM AND 5-6:30 PM  
CONVIVIUUM URBAN FARMSTEAD  
(2811 JACKSON ST)

The Souper Bowl returns for a 6<sup>th</sup> year at Convivium Urban Farmstead on Sunday, Feb. 2. with two seatings at 3-4:30 p.m. and 5-6:30 p.m. Convivium is partnering with River Bend Foodbank for this unique fundraising event. Pick a handmade ceramic bowl, fill it up with soup, and learn about solutions to poverty and food insecurity in our community.

When you arrive at the event, you will be able to select a handmade bowl created and donated by local artists including Troy Aiken and Gary Carstens. The bowl is then yours to keep!

Fill your bowl with a variety of soup donated by local restaurants including L.May Eatery, Copper Kettle, Houlihan's, Clarke University, The OtherSide, Brew & Brew, and more. A fan favorite, Creamy

Potato Kielbasa from Clarke University, will be back again this year. In addition to soups, there will be freshly baked bread and an assortment of cookies provided by Convivium. A variety of cool bowl designs and plenty of soup will be available for both seating times.

Hear from Kathy Hutton of RiverBend Food Bank and Leslie Shalabi (Convivium Co-Founder) about poverty and food access issues within our Dubuque community and learn what you can do to help. Approximately 10% of Dubuque County residents experienced food insecurity according to the latest statistics from 2022. This means that at least once during the year, they were unsure where or how they were going to be able to secure food for themselves or their families.

Convivium was founded on the idea that a lot of our world's problems stem from a lack of connection—to ourselves, our community and to the environment. Convivium fosters this connection through their mission: to "improve life through food." They accomplish this through classes, demonstrations, and experiences, like Souper Bowl Sunday.

Proceeds from the event will go to St. Stephen's Foodbank (a branch of River Bend Foodbank) and Convivium Urban Farmstead. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased by calling Convivium Urban Farmstead at **563-557-2900** or visiting **Convivium-DBQ.com**. ■



SPRING 2025 MICHAEL LESTER  
WENDT CHARACTER LECTURE

## Jon Turbett

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3 @ 7 PM  
UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE HERITAGE  
CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL  
(2255 BENNETT ST)

Jon Turbett, JD, a special agent with the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, will deliver the Spring 2025 Michael Lester Wendt Character Lecture on Monday, Feb. 3 at 7 p.m. at University of Dubuque Heritage Center. The lecture, titled "Character Without Compartments," is free and open to the public. No tickets are required.

Turbett has spent his entire law enforcement career as a special agent with the

Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation. After graduating from the University of Iowa College of Law, he was assigned to the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation's Gambling Unit. After five years, he was reassigned to the Major Crime Unit, where he has worked as a special agent since 2005. Turbett currently investigates a significant number of felony level offenses including homicides, human trafficking, fraud, and sex crimes.

Over the years, Turbett has presented at the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association Conference, the Midwest Gang Investigators Association's Conference, the Conference on Crimes Against Women, and the Conference on Crimes Against Children. He is involved with The CTK Group, a private research and training company, which works with law enforcement officers nationwide to improve their interview and interrogation skills.

Turbett is part of the leadership team with Veritas Church that rents space on UD's campus— both for its Sunday morning service and Thursday evening college ministry called Salt Company.

For more information, contact the Wendt Character Initiative at **563-589-3440** or **wendt@dbq.edu**. ■



## FRI 2/7

**Hand Bookbinding: Make a Sketchbook, Journal, Guestbook**

9 AM-4 PM @ BLUFF STROKES ART CENTER 2/7-2/9. In this 3-day workshop, Louise Kames will teach foundational skills in bookbinding while creating hardcover and one-of-a-kind book structures. Make a hardcover, flat-back book, a Japanese stab binding, and simple one-page accordion fold structures. This introduction to basic book-making tools, materials, and structures will equip you with the knowledge and skills to make these bindings again in different sizes and materials. This workshop is partially supported by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Iowa Arts Council, which exists within the Iowa Economic Development Authority. \$340. 1201 Locust St. [bluffstrokes.org](http://bluffstrokes.org).

## DEL Oregon Trail

4, 6, AND 8 PM @ DUBUQUE ESPORTS LEAGUE

Hitch your wagon and showcase your survival skills on the esports game Oregon Trail. Step back to your nostalgia days and raise some money for DBQ Esports High School and Middle School Leagues. This pioneering event is all about having fun. Dress in your best digs, conjure up your best back story, and blaze the trail. Teams are in four players. \$250/team. 3220 Dodge St. [DBQEsports.org](http://DBQEsports.org).

**Daddy Daughter Dance**

6-8 PM @ DUBUQUE COMMUNITY Y

Join the Dubuque Community Y on the red carpet for a memorable night! This year's theme is Hollywood and includes a meal, desserts, crafts, photo booth, and dancing. Ages 3-12. \$35-\$65. 35 N Booth St. [dubuquey.org/daddydaughter](http://dubuquey.org/daddydaughter).

## SAT 2/8

**St. Mark Ice Golf Classic**

10 AM @ MID-TOWN MARINA (EAST DBQ, IL)

Teams of four compete over 18 holes on a custom course of snow, ice, and donated Christmas trees created by the St. Mark ICEMen, all in support of St. Mark Youth Enrichment's programs. Awards will be presented for categories like best sled, best-dressed team, and the most creative costume-sled combination. There will be a 50/50 raffle, plus, non-golfers can bid in the online silent auction with an array of prizes, including staycations, seasonal experiences, and backyard fun items. No prior ice golfing experience is necessary. Check in at 8 a.m.,

event at 10 a.m. All proceeds benefit St. Mark Youth Enrichment, supporting local kids through vital programming. 285 5th St, East Dubuque, IL. **563-582-6211 x102**. [stmarkyouthenrichment.org/icegolf](http://stmarkyouthenrichment.org/icegolf).

**H.M. Bouwman Book Reading And Signing**

11 AM-NOON @ RIVER LIGHTS BOOKSTORE

H.M. Bouwman will read from her latest book, *Scattergood*, participate in a Q&A session, and sign books. Reviewed in the Jan. 19 edition of *The New York Times Book Review*, *Scattergood* is a book about a farm girl in 1941 Iowa facing her first love and first loss but finds a connection at a local Quaker hostel that shelters Jews who've fled the Nazis. H.M. Bouwman is the author

of children's novels such as *Gossamer Summer* (2023), *A Crack in the Sea*, (Putnam), and *A Tear in the Ocean* (2019), as well as the *Owen and Eleanor* early chapter book series. A Professor of English at the University of St. Thomas, she lives in St. Paul, MN, with her two kids. 1098 Main St. **563-556-4391**. [riverlights.com](http://riverlights.com).

**Buddy Holly Dance**

7-11 PM @ DUBUQUE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Free dance lessons provided by Adam's Dance Connection at 6-7 p.m. contests include Peggy Sue lookalike, best dressed couple, and best '50s and '60s dance. Many door prizes available. Full concessions available at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Ages 18+. \$7 ADV/\$9 door. 14569 Old Highway Rd. **563-588-1406**. [dbqfair.com](http://dbqfair.com).

**Dubuque Symphony Youth Orchestra Presents Mozart Requiem**

7:30 PM @ FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Experience the power of Mozart's Requiem performed by the talented young musicians of the Dubuque Symphony Youth Orchestra - a timeless masterpiece brought to life by the next generation of musicians. The ensemble will be joined by members of the Dubuque Chorale and guest vocalists Hannah Von Mulert, Amanda Hauta, Eric Ferring, and Christopher Filipowicz. \$10-\$40. 405 Main St. **563-557-1677**. [DubuqueSymphony.org](http://DubuqueSymphony.org).

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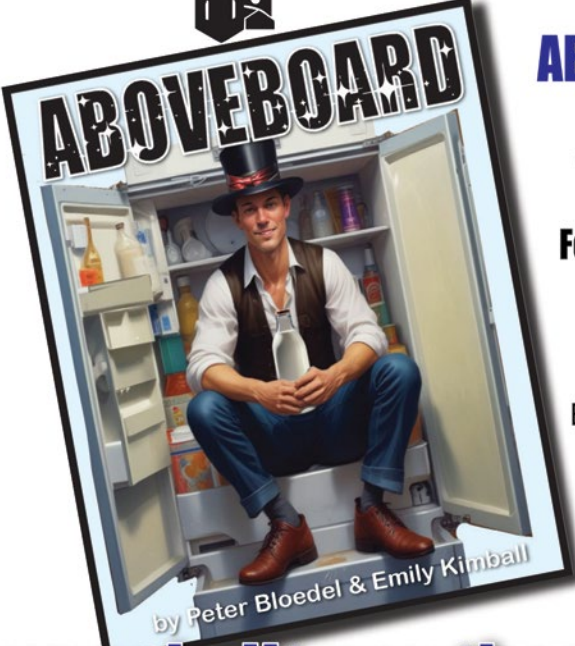
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#### MACKIN-MAILANDER LECTURE SERIES

### Chrissy Bartels

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 @ 6:30 PM  
CLARKE UNIVERSITY JANSEN  
MUSIC HALL (1550 CLARKE DR)

The Mackin-Mailander Lecture Series at Clarke University features Chrissy Bartels on Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 6 p.m. Titled "Crucial Conversations: Turning Pain Into Purpose And Setbacks Into Success," the lecture takes place in Jansen Music Hall.

Assistant Professor of Communication Chrissy Hogue Bartels will share her powerful experiences as an actor, educator, filmmaker, and more. Chrissy has been featured on *Chicago PD* and recently won the Best Supporting Actor Award

from the Iowa Motion Picture Association for her role in *A Swan's Song*, written and directed by her fellow Clarke faculty member and sister Jen Hogue. Additionally, she has been heavily involved in the Julien Dubuque International Film Festival, as well as local live productions such as *The Vagina Monologues*.

"I'm sharing my story—one filled with unexpected twists, painful losses, and hard-won victories," Chrissy said. "From a rough start in life and a brush with fate on 9/11 to chasing a Hollywood dream for decades and wrestling with personal demons, I've learned that it's often the toughest conversations that shape who we become. I'm not just here to share my story. I want to give the audience practical tools for tackling life's toughest conversations, whether they're with others or the voice in your own head."

The Clarke University Mackin-Mailander Lecture Series was established in 1997 after Clarke received gifts from two alumnae, Mary Mackin '34 and Verna Slattery-Mailander '20, to establish an endowed lecture series. The annual series consists of three lectures, including a prominent outside speaker, a faculty lecture, and an alumni lecture.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [clarke.edu](http://clarke.edu). ■

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**Melissa the Medium**  
Saturday, February 15, 7 PM  
During Melissa's childhood she had profound experiences with her psychic ability. She uses her Christian background for guidance as she delivers messages from the spirit world. Melissa enjoys bringing comfort, healing and honesty to those in need. Melissa has been doing mediumship for 9 years. She also teaches self-help self-awareness classes.

Tickets: \$25 / MUST BE 16 TO ATTEND!

**Classical Blast**  
Kilts Rockin' Celtic Music  
Saturday, March 15, 7 PM  
Classical Blast is wildly popular for their innovative new arrangements of classic rock tunes performed on a mix of classical and rock instruments.



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## Unconditional Surrender: A Visit With Ulysses S. Grant

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 @ 1 PM  
CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY  
(360 W 11<sup>TH</sup> ST)

Carnegie-Stout Public Library hosts a presentation called "Unconditional Surrender: A Visit with Ulysses S. Grant"

by Peter Grady on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 1 p.m. in the third-floor auditorium.

"Unconditional Surrender: A Visit with Ulysses S. Grant" is a telling of the life story of Ulysses S. Grant—the commanding general of the U.S. Army during the War of the Rebellion and 18<sup>th</sup> president of the United States. The program features music, photographs, and cartoons from the 19<sup>th</sup> century to explore Grant's successes and failures in the Army, as president, and in his civilian and family life. Grant speaks to the audience as he struggles to complete his autobiography before his death.

This presentation was written and is performed by Peter Grady of Marshalltown, IA. Grady served as an assistant attorney general with former Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller for more than 20 years. He has performed "Unconditional Surrender: A Visit with Ulysses S. Grant" over 150 times at in eight states including Iowa. Grady is a Humanities Iowa Scholar, and his performance at the Carnegie-Stout Public Library is supported by Humanities Iowa Speakers Bureau.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Carnegie-Stout Public Library at **563-589-4225** or visit [CarnegieStout.org](http://CarnegieStout.org). ■

SUN 2/9

**Dr. Eugene Tesdahl**

NOON @ EB LYONS

**INTERPRETIVE CENTER**

Engage in historical dialogue with Dr. Eugene Tesdahl when he presents "The Meskwaki Nation, The Mines of Spain, and Why You Must Know Indigenous History." He is an associate professor of history at University of Wisconsin-Platteville specializing in Indigenous histories, early American history, women's history and histories of gender, as well as public history. Amplifying Indigenous and Black voices while empowering students remains significant in this work. Free. 8991 Bellevue Heights Rd. **563-556-0620**. [minesofspain.org](http://minesofspain.org).

**Dubuque Shakespeare Project: Discuss Richard II**

2-5 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY

A poetic history written entirely in verse, *Richard III* is about the struggle between the legitimate but tyrannical Richard and the competent plainspoken Bolingbroke who is wronged yet unsympathetic. Exquisitely balanced in plot, character and tone, the play raises several troubling questions about the divine right of kings. Carnegie-Stout Public Library launches a monthly series in which participants will examine Shakespeare's work in somewhat chronological order. The series will highlight common themes across plays and narrative poems and will chart the writer's growth as a dramatist. Free. 360 W 11<sup>th</sup> St. **563-589-4225**. [shakespeare.carnegioustout.org](http://shakespeare.carnegioustout.org).

**101 Sourdough**

2-4 PM @ PEOSTA

**COMMUNITY CENTRE KITCHEN (PEOSTA, IA)**

Learn the fundamentals of sourdough from feeding starter to fermenting, shaping, and baking your own bread. Included in the hands-on workshop is a beginners guide, jar of active sourdough starter, mixing bowl, a dough that you will make in class to take home for you to bake, and support. Sample fresh baked bread with spreads and butter. Bring your favorite beverage. Ideal if you are new to sourdough. RSVP by 2/7. 7896 Burds Rd, Peosta, IA. **563-279-4075**. [TheTangyLoaf.com](http://TheTangyLoaf.com).

WED 2/12

**Speed Dating Cocktail Night**

6-8 PM @ DARKBIRD

**TAPHOUSE (PEOSTA, IA)**

Darkbird Taphouse's popular cocktail night adds a twist for February: Speed Dating! Meet singles in a fun, relaxed atmosphere while enjoying four specialty cocktails (or drink of your choice). All participants will receive a follow-up email the next day with details on any mutual matches. Includes drinks and entry. You are still welcome to come and participate in speed dating if you are not interested in the cocktail tasting. RSVP. \$35. 7076 Thunder Valley Dr, Peosta, IA. [grace@darkbirdtaphouse](mailto:grace@darkbirdtaphouse).

THU 2/13

**Free Movie Night: Conclave**

6 PM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT

**PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Starring Ralph Fiennes and directed by Edward Berger, *Conclave* (2024) is a suspenseful drama about a cardinal tasked with

organizing a papal conclave to elect the next pope, but finds himself investigating each candidates' secrets and scandals. This movie is rated PG and runtime is two hours. Closed captioning or subtitles will be turned on. Seating is first come, first served. Free. 360 W 11<sup>th</sup> St. **563-589-4225**. [carnegioustout.org/events](http://carnegioustout.org/events).

FRI 2/14

**Mystery Dinner Theater: Marriage is Murder**

5:30-7:30 PM @ STONE

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**Bee Loved! Honey Tasting & Charcuterie Workshop**

6-8 PM @ GALENA

**ARC (GALENA, IL)**

Dry Creek Beekeeping guides you in learning about the nuances of flavors, textures, and aromas of honey varieties as you taste six different honeys from across the United States. Each person will have their own honey tasting kit. Then, build your own charcuterie board with Linnies' Kitchen with delicious meats, cheeses, sauces, and the sweet addition of honey. Learn how to build a beautiful display to take home, complete with a flower made out of salami. You can bring a beverage to enjoy during class: wine, beer, soda, water etc. \$95/couple. 11084 W US HWY 20, Galena, IL. **815-777-2248**. [galenaarc.org](http://galenaarc.org).

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## Winter Carnival Weekend

FEBRUARY 14-17 @ 8 AM-9 PM  
EAGLE RIDGE RESORT & SPA

(444 EAGLE RIDGE DR, GALENA, IL)

On President's Day weekend, celebrate all things snow, ice, and frost at Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa in Galena. Winter Carnival Weekend activities are open to the public take place Feb. 14-17 at 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

Enjoy a plethora of winter activities including dazzling Fire and Ice shows, ice

turkey bowling, cozy s'mores around the fire, and hayrack wagon rides, and more. Watch an ice-carving demonstration as Eagle Ridge's expert ice carvers take 500-pound blocks of ice and turn them into an ice bar which will offer marshmallow shots. Take part in snowshoeing, ice skating, sledding, and ice fishing with equipment rentals from the Eagle Ridge Nordic Center. Plus, an indoor play land, craft room, and golf simulator by Trackman.

The event is free. For more information, call Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa at **815-777-5000** or visit **EagleRidge.com**. ■



## Greater Dubuque Home and Builders Show

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 @ 4-8 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 @ 10 AM-5 PM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 @ 11 AM-4 PM

GRAND RIVER CENTER (500 BELL ST)

The Greater Dubuque Home and Builders Show is your one-stop shop to get inspired and connect with local housing experts to help make your dreams a reality. Discover your next home project at the Grand River Center on Friday, Feb. 14 at 4-8 p.m.;

Saturday, Feb. 15 at 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 16 at 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Exhibitors provide the latest advancements and trends in the building industry. For more than 35 years, the Dubuque Homebuilders & Associates has been involved with the production of a home show in the Dubuque area. This show continues to attract visitors from the Tri-State area, providing an avenue for our members to showcase services in the homebuilding industry. Produced by Events, Inc.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and free for ages under 12. For a list of vendors and more information, visit **DubuqueHomebuilders.com**. ■



## Opening Doors Trivia Night

MAY THE LUCK BE WITH YOU

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 @ 5:30-9 PM

GRAND RIVER CENTER (500 BELL ST)

Gather your brightest minds and join Opening Doors for an out-of-this-world trivia showdown. Host Andy Schroeder and judges Jonathan and Jennifer McCoy invite you to Opening Doors Trivia Night: May the Luck Be With You on Thursday, Feb. 27 at the Grand River Center. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., and trivia begins at 7 p.m.

With 10 rounds of exciting questions spanning a galaxy of topics, your team will compete for stellar cash prizes and ultimate bragging rights. Ready to test your wits and have a blast while supporting a great cause? Assemble your team, grab your tickets, and let the trivia games begin!

The fundraiser is for Opening Doors, a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting women and children experiencing homelessness. Opening Doors empowers individuals by providing goal-setting and life skills training, enabling them to achieve their full potential. "Our approach offers a hand up, not a handout." Since 2000, Opening Doors has served thousands of women and children through a comprehensive continuum of services.

Full bar and concessions will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$25 per person or \$200 per team of 10. For tickets and more information, visit **OpeningDoorsDBQ.org**. ■

SAT 2/15

### Miners Ball

5 PM @ UNIVERSITY

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HALL (PLATTEVILLE, WI)

Go back in time, dress to the nines, and join this Platteville tradition full of food, cocktails, and big band music provided by the Ken Kilian Classic Big Band orchestra. Besides food, drink, and music, part of the fun of the evening is bidding on dozens of wonderful items in the silent auction. Social at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m., dance and auction at 7 p.m. RSVP by 1/31 for dinner. Dinner and dance: \$60; Dance only: \$15. 1 University Plaza, Platteville, WI. **608-348-3301**. **mining.jamison.museum**.



### A Darkness Lovely

7:30 PM @ GALENA CENTER

FOR THE ARTS (GALENA, IL)

2/15, 2/21-2/22 at 7:30 p.m.;

2/16, 2/23 at 2 p.m. Adapted

from the epic poem by Galena's own Poet Laureate Ted Williams, this captivating new play explores the intriguing world of a poet, his muse, and dark fairy tales that come to life. Cast includes Tim Wedeward (Poet); Wendy Lynn Markus (Gypsy Muse); and Villagers in multiple roles: Doug Mackie, Lynda Mackie, Michele Sullivan, Robyn Davis, Melissa Goranson, Mark Haman, and Ted Williams. \$23 adult, \$15 student. 971 Gear St, Galena, IL. **815-402-3111**. **galenacenterforthearts.com**.

SUN 2/16

### Tri-State Coin Show

9 AM-3 PM @ DIAMOND JO

CASINO HARBOR ROOM

The Key City Coin Club of Dubuque invites you to a coin show with all types of coins, numismatic treasures, and more. Free. 301 Bell St. **563-590-9623**.

MON 2/17

### Dubuque Area

Humanists Darwin

Lecture: Annie Laurie

Gaylor and Dan Barker

6:30 PM @ UNITARIAN

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Annie Laurie Gaylor and Dan

Barker are co-presidents of

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THU 2/20

### Our Redeemer

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FRI 2/21

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cocoa or cider to enjoy.

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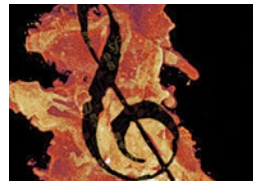
Wine Park Rd, Dyers-

ville, IA. **563-556-6745**.

**dubuquecountyia.gov/**

**conservation**.

SAT 2/22



### SongFest

7 PM @ ELEANOR

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SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

The Dubuque Chorale begins

its 2024/25 season in col-

laboration with other area

choirs for a celebration of

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some of its own music, and

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SUN 2/23

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## Ongoing & Recurring Events

### TUESDAY

#### Early Explorers

10 AM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM  
1<sup>ST</sup> TUE & 1<sup>ST</sup> SAT THROUGH 5/6  
Discover the ABCs of the world around us through hands-on and active activities including a craft and game. Ages 2-5 with parent/care-giver. RSVP suggested. Free. 350 E 3<sup>rd</sup> St. **563-557-9545**. [RiverMuseum.org/early-explorers](http://RiverMuseum.org/early-explorers).

### WEDNESDAY

#### She Unites

6:30-7:30 PM  
@ THE INNOVATION LAB  
3<sup>RD</sup> WED  
Come together for an evening of socialization and education. Featuring rotating speakers talking about anything and everything pertaining to women in a chill environment. Free. 210 Jones St. [SheUnitesIowa.com/events](http://SheUnitesIowa.com/events).

### FRIDAY

#### First Fridays

VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DUBUQUE  
1<sup>ST</sup> FRI  
First Friday is a free downtown monthly community arts event with open galleries, artists' studios, and live entertainment, fostering

community and celebrating arts in Dubuque. Free. [FirstFridaysDubuque.org](http://FirstFridaysDubuque.org).

### FRIDAY

#### Fabulous Fridays Artists Series

NOON-12:30 PM @ ST. LUKE'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND ONLINE THROUGH 3/28  
This week features Dr. Keissy Peyerl-Xavier, piano. The popular season began in 1992 with musicians from St. Luke's. Over the years, these informal downtown performances have grown to include hundreds of locally and nationally recognized artists. Enjoy time together after the performances in the church's South Hall where coffee and desserts are available. Raising funds for People In Need(PIN) and the church's Jesus Fund. Free. 1199 Main St. **563-582-4543**. [stlukesdbq.org/fabulousfridays](http://stlukesdbq.org/fabulousfridays).

### SATURDAY

#### Lollipops & Music for Our Preschoolers

10-10:30 AM @ CARNEGIE-STOUT PUBLIC LIBRARY  
2<sup>ND</sup> SAT THROUGH 4/12  
Northeast Iowa School of Music introduces children and their families 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. All ages. Free. 360 W 11<sup>th</sup> St. **563-690-0151**. [nisom.com](http://nisom.com).

#### Early Explorers

10 AM @ NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM  
1<sup>ST</sup> TUE & 1<sup>ST</sup> SAT THROUGH 5/6

### FARMERS' MARKETS

#### Galena Winter Farmer's Market

SAT: 8 AM-NOON  
@ GALENA EAGLES CLUB (GALENA, IL)  
2<sup>ND</sup> SAT THROUGH 3/8 & 4/5  
237 S Main St, Galena, IL. **563-542-0996**. [facebook.com/galenafarmersmarket](http://facebook.com/galenafarmersmarket).

#### Dubuque Winter Farmers Market

SAT: 9 AM-NOON @ KENNEDY MALL  
THROUGH 4/26  
555 JFK Rd.  
[wintermarketdbq.com](http://wintermarketdbq.com).

#### Platteville Winter Farmer's Market

SAT: 9 AM-NOON @ ROUNDTREE GALLERY (PLATTEVILLE, WI)  
1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> SAT THROUGH 4/19  
120 W Main St, Platteville, WI. **608-218-4374**. [PlattevilleFarmersMarketWI.com](http://PlattevilleFarmersMarketWI.com).

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# Events at Five Flags Center

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

## Battle for the Bluff Rodeo

FEBRUARY 14 AND 15 @ 7 PM

FIVE FLAGS ARENA

The Battle for the Bluff Rodeo brings top rodeo action to the Five Flags Arena on Feb. 14 and 15 at 7 p.m. Watch elite competitors in bull riding, barrel racing, bronc riding, and more. This family-friendly event features local food, entertainment, and the thrill of professional rodeo.

Tickets are \$18-\$27. ■



## DSO Spring Family Concert

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 @ 1 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Really Inventive Stuff makes their Dubuque Symphony Orchestra debut as part of their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary "Peter and the Wolf" World Tour. The DSO Spring Family Concert takes the Five Flags Theater stage on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 1 p.m.

This vaudeville-inspired performance is sure to capture the imagination of

all ages. Plus, special guest Professor Trumpeterclangor, a whimsical sound scientist, needs your help to complete Mozart's "Toy Symphony." This one-hour kid-sized concert also includes music from the *Barbie* movie and Disney's *Encanto*. Stick around for post-concert activities including activity tables, photo booth and West Music instrument petting zoo. Costumes encouraged!

Tickets are \$14-\$34. For more information, contact the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra at **563-557-1677** or visit [DubuqueSymphony.org](https://www.DubuqueSymphony.org). ■



DUBUQUE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

## Beethoven's 5<sup>th</sup>: Darkness to Light

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 @ 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 @ 2 PM

FIVE FLAGS THEATER

Music Director and Conductor William Intriligator's 25<sup>th</sup> season with the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra continues with Beethoven's 5<sup>th</sup>: Darkness to Light on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 16 at 2 p.m. at the Five Flags Theater.

The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra has commissioned Principal Flute Timothy Hagen's first Flute Concerto—an exciting world premiere featuring the composer as soloist! Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, Maestro William's signature piece with the

DSO, has been performed countless times over the years, yet keeps inspiring and moving both performers and audiences. Take a trip to the sun-drenched hills of Sicily and be swept away by the lush melodies and emotive strings of Mascagni's beloved Italian opera *Intermezzo* from "Cavalleria Rusticana." Mendelssohn's "Hebrides Overture," embarks on a musical journey through the rugged landscapes of Scotland's Hebrides islands. Let the swirling strings and powerful brass of this masterpiece transport you to Fingal's Cave and beyond!

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

On Friday, Feb. 13, enjoy a lunch buffet at the Dubuque Golf & Country Club followed by insightful commentary by Intriligator and Hagen.

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](https://www.DubuqueSymphony.org). ■



## DRUMLINE Live

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19 @ 7 PM

FIVE FLAGS ARENA

DRUMLINE Live is steppin' to the Five Flags Arena on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m.

The show stopping attraction created by the musical team behind the hit movies *Drumline* and *Drumline: A*

*New Beat* embodies the soulful, high-stepping style of the Historically Black College and University (HBCU) marching band experience. With its riveting rhythms, bold beats, and ear grabbing energy, DRUMLINE Live is a high octane musical roller coaster ride that is guaranteed to touch every emotion in your body. They are back with a brand new show for the entire family and will have you on your feet by halftime.

Opening performance by the Dubuque Senior High School Pep Band. Under the direction of John Garde the pep band features students in grades 9-12. The band performs at community events and has earned Division I ratings at the IHMSA State Marching and Large Group Festivals.

Tickets are \$20-\$48. ■

13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

## Dubuque on Ice Brewfest

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

@ 1-4 PM (VIP @ NOON)

FIVE FLAGS ARENA

Attention craft beer lovers! Dubuque on Ice Brewfest is back for its 13<sup>th</sup> year on Saturday, Feb. 22 at the Five Flags Arena. The event runs 1-4 p.m. with early noon entry for VIP ticket holders.

Enjoy samples of craft beer, liquor, wine, and local coffee from more than 60 vendors.

Tickets are \$39-\$59.

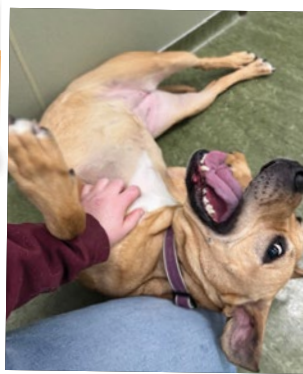
Must be ages 21+.

For more information, call Potosi Brewing Company at **608-763-4002** or visit [DubuqueBrewfest.com](https://www.DubuqueBrewfest.com). ■



# Picture Yourself in the Tri-States

Cathy Goodman and Dave Richter performed *As Time Goes By*, an "AI inspired Cabaret with jazz, grammar, manners and style," at the Bell Tower Theater in Dubuque. Photo by Tim Krom.



After 530 days in the shelter and a well-shared Facebook post by the Dubuque Regional Humane Society, love Lady was adopted the next day by a loving tri-state family. I guess social media is not all bad!



Young Aedan Cross is busy owning a pile of chicken wings in-between owning the games at the new Island Social Arcade at Q Casino + Resort. Photo by dad, Charles Cross.



Snow Sculptures were once again a featured activity at this year's Ice Fest Celebration at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium at the Port of Dubuque.



Ice Fest brought "cool" Winter activities to guests of all ages at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium.



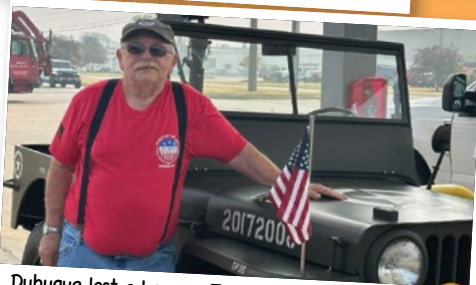
The guys take center stage in this pic from the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra's 2025 installment of the Symphony Rock Concert at the Diamond Jo Casino's Mississippi Moon Bar. The show features local rock talent sharing the stage with the Symphony's own talented crew to bring rock and roll favorites to life in a whole new way.



Tykes from across the Tri-States took part in the first annual O'Leary's Lake Ice Jamboree, where ice fishing competition was paired with family fun at the Eagle Point Fishing Barge.



"Cinderella". A.K.A. dad or maybe grandpa, is presented with his shoe by one of the Harlem Globetrotters during their recent exhibiton game at Five Flags Arena. Spoiler alert, the Generals lost... again.



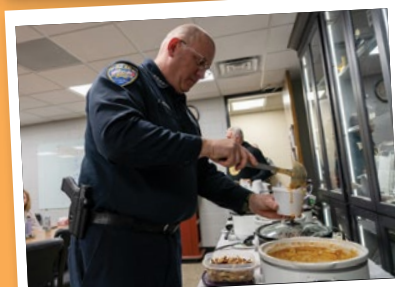
Dubuque lost a hero on January 26 when Jim Wagner, U.S. Army Veteran and one of the founders of the Veterans Freedom Center, passed away. Thank you for all you have done for the Dubuque community and especially its many Veterans.



Caricature drawings were one of many creative highlights, along with live music, food and a silent auction at DBQFest's fundraising party at the Lacy Mansion in downtown Dubuque.



The talented rockers from this year's Symphony Rock Hits show pose for a pic with DSO Conductor William Intrilligator before the show.



Employees from across the City of Dubuque and beyond visited the Police Department recently to enjoy nine varieties of soup and help support the Iowa Association of Women Police whose conference will be hosted locally next year.

Submit your photo by using

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## Greater Dubuque Home & Builders Show



February 14, 15 & 16, 2025

GRAND RIVER CENTER

[www.dubuquehomebuilders.com](http://www.dubuquehomebuilders.com)



## First Fridays

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

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

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

5-8 PM @ ANDONIA GIANNAKOUIROS STUDIO (219 W 9<sup>TH</sup> ST)

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

6-8 PM @ PLANTED. (245 W 1<sup>ST</sup> ST)

7-11 PM @ SMOKESTACK (62 E 7<sup>TH</sup> ST)

7:30-9:30 PM @ VOICES STUDIOS (1585 CENTRAL AVE)

First Friday is a free downtown monthly community arts event with open galleries, artists' studios, and live entertainment, fostering community and celebrating arts in Dubuque. All stops are free.

Widdershins Artisan Gallery's Artist of the Month for February is Bill Potter of William's Whittling and Woodworks in Cedar Rapids, IA. He will be demonstrating his woodworking techniques. Widdershins 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, Karen Franklin, and Ben Curtis. Enjoy the comfy vintage furniture while listening to classic rock tunes. Winter comfort food will be available. [WiddershinsGallery.com](http://WiddershinsGallery.com).

Outside the Lines Art Gallery features local artist Lena Olson who will demonstrate her watercolor painting techniques. [ShopOTLAG.com](http://ShopOTLAG.com).

Andonia Giannakouros hosts featured guest artist Candace Eudaley-Loebach who joins for Galentine's Craft Night. Basic materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. You don't have to be a gal to participate. Andonia is a Dubuque-based figurative painter and printmaker. The converted studio space in the Fisher Building features work by Giannakouros. [Giannaka.com](http://Giannaka.com).

The Stu features the work and personal collection of A. Alanda Gregory. 1533 Central Ave. [facebook.com/TriPhoenixGroup](https://facebook.com/TriPhoenixGroup).

Love can evoke a wide range of emotions, from joy and passion to heartache and longing. Planted.'s latest exhibit,

*Love Takes Many Forms*, features work from regional artists reflecting on their interpretations of love, whether in the context of personal relationships, familial bonds, friendships, self-love, or even the love for the creative process. From bold pieces expressing passion and anger to softer creations that convey warmth and tenderness, each artwork invites viewers to explore the diverse meanings of love. On display through March 4. 245 W 1<sup>st</sup> St. [PlantedDBQ.com](http://PlantedDBQ.com).

At Smokestack, celebrate the art that fuels underground music and culture with *The Art of Music* and *PrettySlush + Civil Division*. From album cover art to protest art, this event showcases visual work tied to the DIY music scene and the defiant spirit of street culture. *The Art of Music* showcases 15 years of DIY music production from the Personal Archives and Ruix labels, featuring album artwork for vinyl, cassette, and CD, along with tour and show posters. The exhibit also highlights original works by local and regional artists connected to the scene. *PrettySlush + Civil Division: An IndiVISUAL Commentary* dives into the intersection of music, street culture, and social change. The artist uses spray paint, acrylics, paint pens, and digital media to explore themes of radical expression, anarchy, and the struggle between freedom and structure. Drawing from punk, graffiti, and skateboarding cultures, their work challenges societal norms and celebrates grassroots creativity. [DubuqueArts.com](http://DubuqueArts.com).

Voices Studios features an exhibit in the gallery space along with live music by The DZ Combo. The Dubuque-based quartet plays jazz standards and original jazz music written by pianist and composer Danny Zanger. The bar will be open for drinks. [VoicesStudios.org](http://VoicesStudios.org).

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## Aboveboard

FEBRUARY 7-8, 13-15, AND 20-21 @ 7:30 PM

FEBRUARY 9, 16, AND 22-23 @ 2 PM

BELL TOWER THEATER (2728 ASBURY RD)

Bell Tower Theater brings a romantic comedy about magic, misunderstanding, and running out of milk to the stage just in time for Valentine's Day.

*Aboveboard* by Peter Bloedel and Emily Kimball will be performed on Feb. 7-8, 13-15, and 20-21 at 7:30 p.m. and Feb. 9, 16, and 22-23 at 2 p.m.

When Nick's food starts disappearing from his apartment fridge, he immediately suspects his best friend, Milo, a bumbling magician who lives down the hall. When Milo refuses to confess, Nick installs a camera to catch the culprit in the

act—and finds an unlikely trespasser has been secretly living in his apartment. When the video hits the internet, the surprises multiply.

Early Bird performances on Feb. 7 and 8 are \$13, and all other performances are \$26. 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](http://BellTowerTheater.net). ■



LIVE AT HERITAGE CENTER  
PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

## Tommy Dorsey Orchestra

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 @ 7:30 PM

UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE HERITAGE CENTER JOHN AND ALICE BUTLER HALL (2255 BENNETT ST)

The Tommy Dorsey Orchestra performs at University of Dubuque Heritage Center John and Alice Butler Hall on Friday, Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Jeff Bush began his association with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra in January 2000 when he was hired by bandleader and legendary trombonist Buddy Morrow. Bush toured with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra and was entrusted to play many of the iconic Tommy Dorsey

solos and, on occasion, lead the band in Morrow's absence. Bush has said he is honored to carry on the Dorsey tradition in leading the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra.

Tommy Dorsey, who passed away in 1956, was a successful bandleader from the 1930s. His technical skill on the trombone was unmatched and made him world renowned amongst musicians and the public. He had a string of hit records including "Opus One," "Marie," and "Song of India."

In 1939, Frank Sinatra left the Harry James Orchestra to join Dorsey and made his first public appearance with the band in early 1940. Sinatra credited Dorsey with teaching him breath control, and he stayed with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra until September 1942 when he embarked on his iconic solo career.

A free pre-show reception for *Heroes in Black & White: David Lee Barba* will be held at 6:30-8 p.m. The exhibit will be on display Feb. 3-March 28.

Tickets are \$35-\$45 and can be purchased at the Heritage Center Farber Box Office, by phone at **563-585-7469**, or online at [www.DBQ.edu/heritagecenter](http://www.DBQ.edu/heritagecenter). ■

## Get a Clue with JDIFF

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 @ 5 PM

HOTEL JULIEN DUBUQUE GRANDE BALLROOM (200 MAIN ST)

Prepare yourself for an evening of intrigue and suspense at the Julien Dubuque International Film Festival's Clue-inspired gala. Join at Hotel Julien Dubuque on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 5 p.m. Explore the mysteries as JDIFF takes you on an

thrilling journey into the iconic world of the classic board game and film, Clue.

View exclusive trailers from the 2025 JDIFF Official Selection as well as the special premiere screening of the inaugural JDIFF Film Camp's short film, *What Happened to Brunch?* The evening also includes live and silent auctions, dinner, fun, and mystery. Clue-themed costumes are encouraged but not required.

Tickets are \$135 and are available at [JulienFilmFest.com](http://JulienFilmFest.com). ■



## JDIFF WINTER FILM SERIES

**Freedom Hair**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 @ 7 PM**  
**HOTEL JULIEN DUBUQUE GRANDE BALLROOM (200 MAIN ST)**

The Julien Dubuque International Film Festival Winter Film Series brings three films to Hotel Julien Dubuque. Once a month, January through March, you are invited to enjoy a select film by free will donation. Doors at 6:30 p.m. and the film begins at 7 p.m.

Scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 13, the second film in the series is *Freedom Hair*. Stick around for a Q&A with Melony

Armstrong after the film. The feature film is rated GA and is 97 minutes long.

Based on the inspiring, true story of Melony Armstrong, a mother who works at a shelter for battered women decides to start a natural hair braiding business to achieve financial independence for herself and others. To do so, she must overcome unexpected obstacles imposed by a powerful cartel and the state of Mississippi.

The final film, *Standing Strong: Elizabeth Catlett* by Kevin Kelley, will be presented on Thursday, March 20.

For more information about the films and the 2025 festival, visit [JulienFilmFest.com](http://JulienFilmFest.com). ■

**Miss Nelson Is Missing!**

**FEBRUARY 21 AND 28 @ 7-8 PM**  
**FEBRUARY 22 AND MARCH 1 @ 10-11 AM**  
**FEBRUARY 23 AND MARCH 2 @ 2-3 PM**  
**GRAND OPERA HOUSE (135 W 8<sup>TH</sup> ST)**

The classic children's books *Miss Nelson is Missing* and *Miss Nelson is Back* by Harry Allard are adapted for the stage in this new musical by Joan Cushing. *Miss Nelson Is Missing!* heads to the Grand Opera House on Feb. 21-23 and 28 and March 1-2.

Miss Nelson's class is the worst behaved in the whole school. Spitballs

flying across the room, paper airplanes sailing every which way and uncontrollable children send gentle, long-suffering Miss Nelson over the edge. But the students of Room 207 are in for a surprise when Miss Nelson goes missing and is replaced by Viola Swamp, a no-nonsense substitute who assigns piles of homework! The students learn lessons of appreciation and respect as they set out to find their beloved Miss Nelson... but will they ever get her back?

Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$12 for children under 18. Tickets can be purchased in person at the box office, by calling **563-588-1305**, or at [TheGrandOperaHouse.com](http://TheGrandOperaHouse.com). ■

## CALL FOR ARTISTS &amp; AUTHORS

**Broad Ideas Deadline**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 @ 4-6 PM**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 @ 10 AM-NOON**  
**GALENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS (971 GEAR ST, GALENA, IL)**

*Broad Ideas* is a community arts show committed to inclusion by dismantling patriarchy and misogyny through the telling of our stories. The show will be on display at the Galena Center for the Arts on March 1-30 with various events in between. Art drop off is on Feb. 22 and 23.

While inclusive feminism is always the overarching theme, this year's prompt is "Show Up." The "story" behind each piece is a very important part of what makes *Broad Ideas* special, and it will be displayed alongside the art. Artists and authors of all abilities are welcome and encouraged. *Broad Ideas* purposely includes a wide range of ideas, artists, abilities, and events.

For submission details and more information, visit [BroadIdeas.org](http://BroadIdeas.org). ■

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

**Art on the River Deadline**


**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

The City of Dubuque is soliciting sculpture proposals for its 19<sup>th</sup> Art on the River public art sculpture exhibit to be held along the Mississippi Riverwalk in the Port of Dubuque from August 2025 through July 2026. Since its inception, the program has featured 176 sculptures representing the work of 115 artists.

This year's theme, "Flow of Wellness," explores the transformative power of art on personal and communal well-being. Centered around themes of health, healing, and wellness, the exhibit encourages reflection on how art nurtures the body, mind, and spirit.

Submissions for existing and/or proposed 3D public art works are welcome. Up to 11 sculptural works will be selected. Applications are due on Friday, Feb. 28.

For more information, visit [cityofdubuque.org/artontheriver](http://cityofdubuque.org/artontheriver). ■



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JASON NEISES

# The Power of Place

Heritage Works & Duane Hagerty's Legacy

By Ellen Goodmann Miller

"If you don't know where you are, you don't know who you are."  
—Wendell Berry, American writer and farmer



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## As Iowa's oldest city,

Dubuque is known for its authentic sense of place—enabling residents and visitors to deeply feel and resonate with the feel and brand of the community.

This is thanks in part to the city's distinct and original historic intact architecture set along the bluffs of the driftless Mississippi River; but it's also because a dynamic coalition of community members have been working to uplift Dubuque as a leader of revitalization and economic development for many decades. According to a study conducted by the National Trust, authentic sense of place is highly attractive to people under the age of 35 when they are considering where to live. And strong community identity is a major factor in retaining population.

Dubuque-based nonprofit Heritage Works is on a mission to strengthen and build upon this unique community identity. Organization leaders are transforming the general idea of historic preservation from stuffy/formal to extraordinary/full of potential—coining the term “historic activation” to denote the catalyzing economic impact and cultural vibrancy of preservation. And even further, the organization is creating pathways to more deeply connect the community to *who we are* by celebrating and activating *where we are*.

This year, Heritage Works is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Founded by the Butler and Gronen families—the organization was inspired by a love for Dubuque and a desire to create a hub and resource that could take on smaller projects and advance a culture of energy and support around preservation. This team tapped staff and volunteers—including former organization President and CEO Duane Hagerty to research the formation of a nonprofit—and Heritage Works was ultimately founded in 2015. “The rest is history,” said Mary Gronen.

In the past decade, Heritage Works has made tremendous strides toward historic activation not only in Dubuque—but in the region and across Iowa.

“Heritage Works’ mission and work have resulted in an enormous economic infusion in the region while enhancing Dubuque’s unique sense of place as a marketable community differentiator,” said Dave Klavitter, a founding member of the Heritage Works board of directors. “Talk about impact. Heritage Works had base hits all the time. And when you look back over 10 years—wow—look at this impact. There are so many projects that would not have happened if it were not for Heritage Works and Duane’s leadership.”

As Heritage Works looks ahead to the next 10 years, it’s impossible not to

look back on the journey that propelled the community, region, and state with the intentional leadership of former organization President and CEO, Duane Hagerty. Just before the new year, Duane passed away at the age of 58 at his family’s farm in Bankston, IA—where his first connection to a sense of place was born. Duane’s death is a crushing loss for his loved ones, Heritage Works, Dubuque, and the preservation community across the state and country.

Duane’s path to Heritage Works and his cultivation of a thriving life in Dubuque is a compelling story about finding a sense of place and purpose through historic activation—and illustrates how an organization like Heritage Works deeply enriches the community and helps connect people to place.

In a piece Duane wrote for a presentation titled “Finding A Way Home: How Connection to Place Grounds Us,” he touched upon growing up in rural Dubuque County: “As is typical for most young farm children, I couldn’t get away fast enough to go to college and escape that life. I graduated high school in 1984 and wanted nothing to do with farming or Dubuque, which at the time was experiencing its worst economic recession outside of the great depression.”

But over the years, Duane’s perspective evolved—he enrolled in the Historic Preservation Masters Program at the Art Institute of Chicago which led him to research St. Mary’s church—what would become the Steeple Square project and campus in the heart of the Washington Neighborhood. “It made me realize that I could help people harness their attachments to their own places,” he wrote.

“Over time, my image of my childhood home transitioned from one of toil and hard work to one more akin to a Grant Wood painting. How could I have ever wanted to leave it?”

Research on Steeple Square and the launch of Heritage Works brought Duane back to his home county where he said he was proud to “help people redevelop historic buildings. We help keep Dubuque’s built environment speaking for future generations.”

Over the last decade, Heritage Works has provided support on historic activation projects that have catalyzed over \$150 million into the greater Dubuque region. From projects including the Dupaco Voices building to SS Peter & Paul Church in Petersburg, Steeple Square and Eagle Point Park, to historic districts including Loras College and Bellevue Commercial... the impact made by Heritage Works is immense in further



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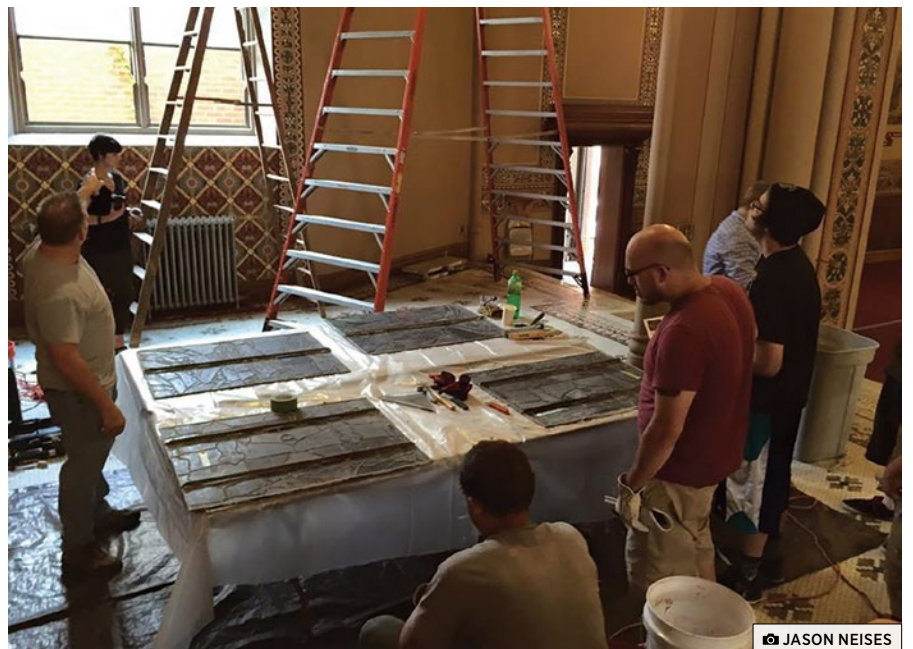
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STEEPLE SQUARE (FORMERLY ST. MARY'S CHURCH)

carving out the distinct and authentic sense of place in the Dubuque community.

Heritage Works has a small staff but is known for punching above its weight. When the team is not busy leveraging hundreds of millions in investment into the region, mission-driven work is innovative and highly focused on partnerships and collaboration both in the Dubuque community and statewide. This includes:

- Education and outreach about the benefits of historic preservation and bolstering a unique and vibrant sense of place through symposiums, events, tours, and presentations
- Advocating and educating stakeholders about the critical resource of the State and Federal Historic Tax Credit and other economic development tools

- Providing free and accessible engagement opportunities to learn about architecture, culture, and history in partnership with arts and cultural organizations
- Partnering in vocational training opportunities to develop the next generation of trades craftspeople including reaching underserved community members

Jason Neises is a volunteer for Heritage Works, helping to lead the organization's ArchTrek tours—festive and fun social gatherings and tours that feature unique spaces and places in the region—from the Central Ave. Corridor to Sinsinawa Mound. Jason moved to Dubuque from Chicago in 2011 with his family.

"One of the reasons I've enjoyed being back in Dubuque is you can make such a big difference here ... your energy makes an outsized impact." Jason noted that Heritage Works helped connect him to community engagement and impact in a way that directly spoke to his connection to the sense of place in Dubuque. "... there's something here that's supposed to be celebrated. Clearly it's an important part of who we are. It's an important part of our culture."

In a presentation on the power of place, Duane wrote, "Places have been powerful for me for the way they speak and have the potential to unlock stories that develop across generations. The built environment speaks to us through the vocabulary of architecture as art."

One key area in which Heritage Works has been growing its mission-driven programming is through unlocking stories to share with generations that have often been overlooked, or untold. In 2024, the organization partnered with Briana Thompson of BriX Creative Studio and Art for Us, the Dubuque Area Arts Collective, and the City of Dubuque Black Heritage Survey team to uplift and share untold stories and histories of underrepresented people. This project culminated in the Black History Month spoken word showcase titled "My Ancestor's Wildest Dreams."

Briana Thompson said, "I have the utmost respect for Duane and Heritage Works and what it stands for. I've been in Dubuque for 10 years, and this was the first time working with the CEO of an



organization that I felt I could trust with my vulnerability to share the trials and tribulations of what I go through as a woman of color serving in the arts and culture industry. This project opened up the doors to execute something that was not just for myself, but for the community and provided equitable opportunities. That created so much confidence in me.”

Bill Doyle, Heritage Works Preservation and Program Director, expressed what an honor it was to work with Duane over the past decade, and he is intent to carry on his legacy. Bill moved from Denver, CO to take on a leadership role at Heritage Works. “Dubuque in many ways ... has always felt like the land of opportunity,” he said.

Reflecting on what the organization has accomplished in the last 10 years, Bill said, “In some ways, working on paperwork to restore old buildings feels ridiculous. It seems much less straightforward than strapping on a tool belt and getting to work, but when I look at the investment dollars we have brought to town, I can’t help but be proud of the work we have done.” He added that seeing the rehabilitations completed makes the work worth it. “Dubuque has this amazing treasury of beautiful historic buildings that are just waiting to have some life brought back into them.”

As the organization plans to continue to expand mission driven programming, specifically continuing to lead the state of Iowa in education and advocacy, Bill and the Heritage Works board of directors see Dubuque as the statewide hub for historic activation and the resource center for preservation education and advocacy. More planning work on this is in process in 2025. Heritage Works is preparing for a Prairie School Legacy symposium in Dubuque in June—a two-day event highlighting the work

of architects Alfred Caldwell and Frank Lloyd Wright and their impact on Midwestern architecture, with more details to be announced in the coming weeks. This event, supported by a grant from the Iowa Arts Council, is a taste of what programming is possible for the future.

As Heritage Works staff, board, partners, and volunteers mourn the loss of Duane’s leadership—the team is grateful for the strong organizational foundation that has been laid over the last 10 years by a dedicated coalition. This legacy has ignited a new generation of historic activation advocates, and the organization will continue to grow, thrive, and make a positive impact on the community, region, and state for years to come.

Heritage Works leaders believe that the work of historic activation is critical to economic development, to cultural heritage, and to uplifting the human spirit. Duane captured this through his reflection on his home and heritage in Dubuque County—where his contributions to this corner of Northeast Iowa will live on and be cherished by all those who knew and loved him.

“Place is powerful, not only in our community, but throughout the country. A strong sense of place gives a community a unique identity .. it connects us to a collective past. But most importantly, it provides all of us all with a grounding. It allows us to keep memories alive and to remain connected with loved ones both living and no longer with us.

I realized that my connections to place had made me who I am today. That place had given me the tools to succeed in life. Additionally, it was the repository of memories that I will hold on and cherish as long as the synapses in my brain allow me to recall them.”

—Duane Hagerty, 1966–2024, former President and CEO of Heritage Works ■



# 365ink Impact Awards

**Nominations Deadline: Friday, January 31**

**Ceremony: Tuesday, March 4 @ 7 PM**

**Diamond Jo Casino Mississippi Moon Bar (301 Bell St)**

The 16<sup>th</sup> 365ink Impact Awards, sponsored by the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque and Premier Bank, return on Tuesday, March 4, at 7 p.m. to the Mississippi Moon Bar at the Diamond Jo Casino to recognize those who are making an impact on our community. Doors open at 6 p.m. The event is FREE, and everyone (ages 21 and older) is welcome to attend. There will be hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar with live music accenting the evening’s awards.

Picking the winners is always a painful process. Naturally, everyone who gets nominated is worthy of an award, but, alas, we have only 10 original, locally made statues to give out, created this year by metal artist Jim Cole.

But before 365ink and supporters make some tough decisions about who deserves a little piece of the spotlight this year, we need to hear about those worthy of recognition for their impact on the Tri-States. That’s where you come in. The mission at 365ink is to help connect people to relationships, opportunities, and the best possible living experiences in our community. And the 365ink Impact Awards are designed to honor those who choose to make the effort to impact the community in the spirit of our mission. We love learning about people and projects we didn’t even know about, and we always try to get “the little guys” in there.

Do you know a person, an organization, or a business who did something particularly special in 2024 and deserves a shout-out for their efforts? Maybe it’s someone who’s been knocking it out of the park year in and year out and deserves a nod just for keeping the bar set high all of these years. Nominate them now for a 2025 365ink Impact Award! It doesn’t matter the category. Think art and music. Think community pride and inclusion. Think great spaces and generous spirits. These are the people we want to know about.

Please include one descriptive paragraph about how the nominee made an impact in 2024. Just giving us a name or a sentence about the nominee won’t do the trick. We don’t need a book, but we do need some specific details so we can understand why they deserve an Impact Award. Let us note that one great paragraph submitted one time will go a lot farther than stuffing the inbox with 50 nominations for one person with no additional information. So put a little thought into it, please.

If they don’t get nominated, they can’t win, so get on it! Submit your nomination by Friday, Jan. 31. at

**[dubuque365.com/impactawards](https://dubuque365.com/impactawards)**  
or email **[info@dubuque365.com](mailto:info@dubuque365.com)**.

Who wins will not be a secret leading up to the event. After all, we want you to be able to come down and celebrate your friends when they take the stage on Tuesday, March 4. The event moves fast and is a lot of fun, and you will discover amazing things you never knew about your community. So, mark your calendars to join the festivities now. It’s a Tuesday night, so you know already that you don’t have anything better going on.

The 365ink Impact Awards are sponsored by Premier Bank and the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque as well as our generous hosts, the Diamond Jo Casino. With their generous support, 365ink is able to honor these people right, with original, local artwork. Impact Awards designs started with artist Gene Tully and have always been handmade by great local artists ever since. We can’t wait to share Jim’s design for 2025!

Submit your nominations, view the full list of all the past award winners, and find more information at **[dubuque365.com/impactawards](https://dubuque365.com/impactawards)**. We’ll see you on Tuesday, March 4 at the Mississippi Moon Bar! ■

## *Budweiser* LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

### THU 1/30

Marques Morel  
7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

The Gutheries  
7 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

### FRI 1/31

Fabulous Fridays:  
Dr. Charles Barland  
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Tangle Creek  
5 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

Bob & Gus  
5:30 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse  
(Peosta, IA)

Daniel Eric & Laura Calhoun  
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Andrew Huber  
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

Yellow Brick Road  
7 PM @ First Reserve

Rock Steady  
7 PM @ Southend Tap

The Mighty MudCats  
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

PeostaVille  
7 PM @ The Cellar at Millwork  
(Dyersville, IA)

Speakeasy Stand Up Comedy  
Night w/ Matt Banwart  
7:30 PM @ Smokestack

DBQ Comedy Showcase: Todd  
Baysinger, Cassandra Johnson,  
Tim Blanco, The Wizard, Vic  
Kauder, Kronk, Host Brody Tupy  
8 PM @ The Goose

Kashmir: The Led Zeppelin  
Tribute Show  
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Willie and the BuzzHounds  
8 PM @ Q Showroom

The Bourbon Brothers Band  
8 PM @ Asbury Eagles Club  
(Asbury, IA)

Kampfire Kings  
8 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

### SAT 2/1

Travis Busch  
1 PM @ PJ's Pub (Kieler, WI)

Jimmy Welty Band  
2 PM @ Burkey's Bar

Danny Parker Project  
2 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

Joseph John Valenti  
3 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

Three Quarter Buzz  
5 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

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

Andrew Huber  
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

The Mighty MudCats  
6 PM @ O So Good Winery  
(Dyersville, IA)

Back Booth Alley  
7 PM @ Southend Tap

Theresa Rosetta  
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Jesse + Aaron  
7 PM @ Wicked Dame

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

Tangle Creek Duo  
7 PM @ Off Shore Bar & Grill  
(Bellevue, IA)

Ben Dunegan  
8 PM @ First Reserve

Time Machine  
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Enemies of Confusion  
8 PM @ Smokestack

Funky Monks  
8 PM @ Q Showroom

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

Mojo Busted  
8 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

### SUN 2/2

Shannon Woulfe  
1 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

Boys of Lloyd  
1 PM @ O So Good Winery  
(Dyersville, IA)

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

Brushfire Bandits Duo  
3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Ryne Doughty  
3 PM @ Textile Brewing Co  
(Dyersville, IA)

Todd Ellis  
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

Corey Jenny  
7 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

### THU 2/6

Kristina Marie Castañeda  
7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

RJ Fisher  
7 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

Boys of Lloyd  
7 PM @ The Cellar at Millwork  
(Dyersville, IA)

John Hollier  
8 PM @ The Lift

### FRI 2/7

Fabulous Fridays:  
Marcus DeJesus  
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Eric Richards  
4 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

Joie Wails  
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Lexi Healey  
6 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse  
(Peosta, IA)

Ian Gould & Lukas Jaeger  
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

Clarke Music Faculty Recital  
7 PM @ Clarke University

Kurt & Steve  
7 PM @ First Reserve

Marty Raymon  
7 PM @ Riverboat Lounge

Tommy Dorsey Orchestra  
7:30 PM @ Heritage Center

First Fridays: The DZ Combo  
7:30 PM @ Voices Studios

Live Band Karaoke  
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

LOUDERNOW  
8 PM @ Q Showroom

Shekinah King  
8 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

Emple, Juice, Mister Whiskerz  
9 PM @ The Goose

ARP of the Covenant  
9 PM @ The Lift

### SAT 2/8

L&MOP: Tapestry  
10 AM @ Carnegie-Stout Library

Jesse Baumen  
1 PM @ PJ's Pub (Kieler, WI)

Three Quarter Buzz  
2 PM @ Burkey's Bar

Danny Parker Project  
2 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

Mississippi Band  
3 PM @ Southend Tap

Jimmy Welty Band  
4 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

John Mueller's Winter  
Dance Party  
5 PM @ Q Showroom

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

John Moran  
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Ian Gould & Lukas Jaeger  
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

Hangin' Around  
6 PM @ O So Good Winery  
(Dyersville, IA)

MiniMonster Duo  
7 PM @ Gary Dolphin's Iron Bar

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

Midwest Megan  
7 PM @ Galena Brewing Co  
(Galena, IL)

Dubuque Symphony Youth  
Orchestra: Mozart's Requiem  
7:30 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Vice Box  
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Jabberbox  
8:30 PM @ Sunset Lanes  
(Dickeyville, WI)

Tony Walker  
8:30 PM @ Miss Kitty's  
Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

River Glen & Band  
9 PM @ The Lift

Driftmore STACKED: Obeygrey,  
Kuuži, Trash Gordon, Full  
Speed Swede  
9 PM @ Smokestack

### SUN 2/9

Gypsy  
1 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

Barefoot & Sunshine  
1 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

Mark Zalaznik  
1 PM @ O So Good Winery  
(Dyersville, IA)

DSYE Winter Concert  
2 PM @ Clarke University

Jordan Danielson  
3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Meghan Davis  
6 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's  
Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

### WED 2/12

Vivaldi's Gloria  
7 PM @ Heritage Center

### THU 2/13

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

Steve McIntyre  
7 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape  
Escape (Galena, IL)

### FRI 2/14

Fabulous Fridays: Dr. Amanda  
Huntleigh & Dr. Rob Stull  
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Max Kowalski  
4 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

Sam Day  
5 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

Theresa Rosetta  
5:30 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse  
(Peosta, IA)

Three Quarter Buzz  
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Kevin & Riley Beck  
w/ Kerry Erickson  
6 PM @ The OtherSide  
(East DBQ, IL)

Joie Wails  
6 PM @ Champagne on Main  
(Galena, IL)

Birdy Young  
7 PM @ First Reserve

Rock Steady  
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Nick Schadler  
7 PM @ The Cellar at Millwork  
(Dyersville, IA)

Music Bingo  
7 PM @ O So Good Winery  
(Dyersville, IA)

Dueling Pianos  
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Trippin Billies  
8 PM @ Q Showroom

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

Laura McDonald Karaoke  
8 PM @ Chestnut Mountain  
(Galena, IL)

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



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Kristina Marie Castañeda & Shawn Healy  
8 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Rising Star: Ghostlight Improv  
8:30 PM @ Smokestack

A Little Love Song for the Dance w/ Daniel Ross & DJ Papi  
9 PM @ The Goose

Baddies Aquarius Bash: Diamond the Body  
9 PM @ Posh Lounge

**SAT 2/15**

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra: Spring Family  
1 PM @ Five Flags Theater

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

Jimmy Welty Band  
2 PM @ Dubuque Eagles Club

The Guthries  
2 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Massey Road  
3 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

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

RJ Fisher  
5 PM @ Galena Cellars Downtown (Galena, IL)

Adam Beck  
6 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Broken Rubber Band  
6 PM @ O So Good Winery (Dyersville, IA)

Kind of a Big Deal  
7 PM @ Burkey's Bar

Rock Steady  
7 PM @ Southend Tap

Darin & Amber  
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

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

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

UW-P Miners Ball: Ken Kilian Classic Big Band  
7 PM @ UW-Platteville Ullsvik Hall (Platteville, WI)

Melissa the Medium  
7 PM @ Ohnward Fine Arts Center (Maquoketa, IA)

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra: Beethoven's 5<sup>th</sup>: Darkness to Light  
7:30 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Jake Schrodt  
8 PM @ First Reserve

Bill Gardell  
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Kings of Radio  
8 PM @ Q Showroom

The Mighty MudCats  
8 PM @ Asbury Eagles Club (Asbury, IA)

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

C&C Dueling Pianos  
8 PM @ Miss Kitty's Grape Escape (Galena, IL)

Eric Richards  
8 PM @ Off Shore Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)

Cirque du Buque Drag Cabaret  
10 PM @ Smokestack

**SUN 2/16**

Tony Walker  
1 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

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

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra: Beethoven's 5<sup>th</sup>: Darkness to Light  
2 PM @ Five Flags Theater

Sunday Afternoon Jams: Massey Road  
3 PM @ Northside Bar

Shannon Woulfe  
3 PM @ Stone Cliff Winery

Steve Kalmes  
3 PM @ Textile Brewing Co (Dyersville, IA)

The Mixed Emotions Band  
4 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

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

**WED 2/19**

Kris Karr  
7 PM @ First Reserve

DRUMLine Live  
7 PM @ Five Flags Arena

**THU 2/20**

Marques Morel  
7 PM @ Frank O'Dowd's Irish Cottage (Galena, IL)

Songwriters Showcase: Weary Ramblers  
7 PM @ Galena CFA (Galena, IL)

Kristina Marie Castañeda  
7 PM @ The Cellar at Millwork (Dyersville, IA)

**FRI 2/21**

Fabulous Fridays: Addilyn Dolan & Dr. Evelyn Dias  
Noon @ St. Luke's UMC

Lexi Healy  
4 PM @ Sundown MTN Tips Up

Joie Wails  
5 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

BJ McAndrew  
5:30 PM @ Darkbird Taphouse (Peosta, IA)

2 Grand Acoustic  
6 PM @ The OtherSide (East DBQ, IL)

Bargo  
6:30 PM @ O So Good Winery (Dyersville, IA)

Rock Steady  
7 PM @ Knicker's Saloon

The Mixed Emotions Band  
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon  
7 PM @ The Burg (Shullsburg, WI)

Jay Vonn  
8 PM @ First Reserve

The Steepwater Band  
8 PM @ The Lift

Emo Phillips and Tim Cavanagh  
8 PM @ Mississippi Moon Bar

Laura McDonald & The Haphazard Band  
8 PM @ Q Showroom



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**Ongoing & Recurring Nightlife**

**SUNDAY**

Disco Brunch w/ DJ SaladSpinner  
9 AM @ Convivium Urban Farmstead  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sun through 12/14

Open Mic w/ Scott Rische  
1 PM @ Miss Kitty's 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  
7<sup>th</sup> Sun

**MONDAY**

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

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

**TUESDAY**

Trivia w/ Think & Drink  
7 PM @ Dog House Lounge  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tue

Trivia w/ Triviawithbrett  
7 PM @ Riverboat Lounge

Analog Listening Room  
7 PM @ Smokestack

Trivia w/ Think & Drink  
7 PM @ Southend Tap  
7<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Tue

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

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

**WEDNESDAY**

Trivia w/ Triviawithbrett  
6 PM @ Hy-Vee Locust

Record Club  
6 PM @ The Goose

Open Mic w/ Pennyroyal  
6 PM @ Jubeck New World Brewing

Blues Jam w/ The Mighty MudCats  
6 PM @ Smokestack  
2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Wed

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

Trivia For Dorks  
7 PM @ Dimensional Brewing Co

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

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

The Mixologist DJ AA  
7 PM @ Southend Tap

Karaoke w/ Excel Entertainment  
7 PM @ Spirits Bar & Grill  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed

Karaoke w/ Becky McMahon  
7:30 PM @ Denny's Lux Club

**THURSDAY**

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

Jukebox Bingo  
6:30 PM @ Off Shore Bar & Grill (Bellevue, IA)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thu through 4/17

The Wayback Machine: Rock 'n' Soul All-Vinyl Dance Party  
7 PM @ The Goose  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thu

Karaoke w/ Dante Steele Entertainment  
7 PM @ Riverboat Lounge

Songwriters Showcase  
7 PM @ Galena Center for the Arts (Galena, IL)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thu

XTREME Bar Bingo  
7 PM @ Galena Eagles Club (Galena, IL)

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

Silly Goose Thursdays  
Comedy Open Mic  
8 PM @ The Goose  
7<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu

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

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

Karaoke  
9 PM @ Southend Tap

**FRIDAY**

Country Night  
5 PM @ Off Shore Event Center (Bellevue, IA)  
7<sup>th</sup> Fri through 3/7

Country Dancing Fridays  
6 PM @ 7 Hills Ballroom & Event Center  
7<sup>th</sup> Fri through 5/2

Trivia Night  
6 PM @ Maquoketa Brewing (Maquoketa, IA)  
7<sup>th</sup> Fri

Karaoke w/ Denise  
7 PM @ Northside Bar

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

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

**SATURDAY**

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

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

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

Afro Caribbean Night w/ DJ Papi  
9 PM @ The Goose  
7<sup>th</sup> Sat

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



# MISSISSIPPI MOON BAR<sup>SM</sup>

## Upcoming Entertainment



### Billy Gardell

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 @ 8 PM

Billy Gardell currently stars in the CBS series *Bob Hearts Abishola*, from award-winning creator, executive producer and writer Chuck Lorre. *Bob Hearts Abishola* is a love story about a middle-aged, compression sock businessman from Detroit who unexpectedly falls for his cardiac nurse, a Nigerian immigrant, while recovering from a heart attack, and sets his sights on winning her over.

Prior to *BHA*, Billy Gardell starred in the CBS hit television series *Mike & Molly* as Officer Mike Biggs from 2010–2016. In 2016, he received a daytime Emmy nomination as best game show host for *Monopoly Millionaires Club*.

As a stand-up, Gardell took the long road to Hollywood, stopping at every small-town lounge, military base, and comedy club along the way. His comedy act took him to Los Angeles where his dedication to acting, along with touring as a stand-up comedian, allowed him to grow consistently in both arenas. His stand-up show is a powerhouse. His grounded, down-to-earth point of view strikes a strong chord with American audiences. Stories about his rough childhood, wild adolescence, and new family life are executed with the skill of a master craftsman.

His comedy special *Billy Gardell: Halftime* premiered on Comedy Central, and *Billy Gardell Presents Road Dogs* premiered on Showtime.



### Emo Philips and Tim Cavanagh

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 @ 8 PM

Described by Jay Leno as the best joke writer in America and by Gary Delaney as the best joke writer in the world, Emo Philips has performed over 7,000 stand-up shows in comedy clubs, colleges, and theaters, including a multi-week run at the Playhouse Theatre in London's West End. In 2018 and from 2022–2023, Emo toured with "Weird Al" Yankovic (over 200 concerts across three continents); Emo will forever remember the standing ovation he received at Carnegie Hall.

"I'm not sure when or where I first heard of Emo's routines, but once I did I instantly became a fan," says "Weird Al" Yankovic. "Emo had the iconic look of someone who could have been a major star in the era of silent films. His body language was indescribably weird. And his material was flat-out brilliant." If asked at gunpoint who the funniest guy in the world was, Yankovic adds, "Without question I would have to say Emo Philips—especially if Emo happened to be the one holding the gun." —"Weird Al" Yankovic, *Chicago Magazine*

Tim Cavanagh LOVES doing comedy and sharing his clean, smart jokes and funny songs with people. His life was wonderful run of laughter and fun until 2021, when he started getting death threats. Really serious death threats. From, of all people, his doctor who found a malignant tumor in his pancreas. Miraculously, she had found it early. Thanks to the work of an amazing medical team, Tim successfully underwent cancer treatment, survived The Whipple Procedure, had the tumor removed, and is now cancer free! Today, he celebrates by sharing his jokes and appreciating your laughter like he never has before.

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The Marshall Tucker Band  
3/7 @ Rhythm City Casino

Hellogoodbye  
3/18 @ Raccoon Motel

Donavan Frankenreiter  
3/22 @ Raccoon Motel

### MOLINE, IL

Rascal Flatts  
3/1 @ Vibrant Arena

### EAST MOLINE, IL

Cabin Fever: Josey Scott, Hed PE, Adema, Flaw, Core  
2/21 @ The Rust Belt

Here Come the Mummies  
3/21 @ The Rust Belt

### CEDAR RAPIDS, IA

Marlon Wayans  
2/15 @ Paramount Theatre

Iowa Smash: Skin bone, Uncle Hank, Low down, Big Homie blocks, Burn Poe, G Herbo, Malo Buckzz, Fendi, Korporate  
2/21 @ Alliant Energy PowerHouse

Trampled by Turtles  
3/7 @ Paramount Theatre

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Bored Teachers  
3/20 @ Paramount Theatre

Charlie Berens  
3/22 @ Alliant Energy PowerHouse

Carly Pearce  
3/22 @ Paramount Theatre

Dwight Yoakam with The Mavericks  
3/28 @ Alliant Energy PowerHouse

### IOWA CITY, IA

Leftover Salmon  
1/31 @ Englert Theatre

Marc Maron  
2/13 @ Englert Theatre

Tab Benoit  
2/28 @ Englert Theatre

Drew & Ellie Holcomb  
3/6 @ Englert Theatre

Buckethead  
3/13 @ Englert Theatre

Marcia Ball  
3/16 @ Englert Theatre

### RIVERSIDE, IA

Collective Soul  
2/14 @ Riverside Casino

Friends of the Bob & Tom Comedy Tour  
2/21 @ Riverside Casino

Josh Turner  
3/7 @ Riverside Casino

### MADISON, WI

Tim Heidecker, Neil Hamburger  
1/30 @ The Majestic

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1/31 @ The Sylvee

Levity, Milano, Tazu, Goonba  
2/1 @ The Sylvee

Guster  
2/2 @ The Sylvee

Elephante, COPE  
2/7 @ Liquid

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Alan Walker, Robin Packalen, Anne Gudrun, TELYKAST  
2/18 @ The Sylvee

Paul Cauthen  
2/25 @ The Majestic

Patton Oswalt  
2/27 @ Comedy on State

Dropkick Murphys, The Menzingers, Teenage Bottlerocket  
3/1 @ The Sylvee

Drew & Ellie Holcomb  
3/4 @ Barrymore Theatre

Ian  
3/5 @ The Sylvee

Kumail Nanjiani  
3/6 @ Barrymore Theatre

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3/8 @ The Orpheum

North Mississippi Allstars  
3/9 @ High Noon Saloon

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3/23 @ The Majestic

Role Model, Debbii Dawson  
3/25 @ The Sylvee

The Red Hot Chilli Pipers  
3/29 @ Overture Center



## 2025 Iowa Rock Hall of Fame Inductees & Award Winners

The Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association has announced the Hall of Fame Class of 2025. This year marks the 28<sup>th</sup> year of the legacy of honoring achievements since the founding of the association. Inductees and award winners come from the following five regions in Iowa: Northwest Region, Northeast Region, Southwest Region, Southeast Region and the Central Region.

Ralph Kluseman, President of the Iowa Rock 'n Roll Association stated: "The Class of 2025 Hall of Fame Celebration for this outstanding class of inductees and award winners will be held on Labor Day weekend, Aug. 29-31. We look forward to celebrating their accomplishments that have made such an impact on all our lives."

The celebration kicks off with an Okoboji Rocks Concert on Friday evening, Aug. 29, featuring a concert by American blues rock band and 2025 Hall of Fame border band inductee, Indigenous. The opening act will be D.A.D., a hip-hop duo and 2025 Spirit Award Winner who offer a unique and entertaining spin on their genre.

The Opening Ceremony is on Saturday morning, and the Inductee Meet & Greet will all be on Saturday evening, Aug. 30. Also, on Saturday afternoon, there will be the finals of the statewide Iowa Rocks Talent Contest. This contest is for the youth of Iowa ages 21 and younger to compete in a live performance environment. The winners will open the Hall of Fame Induction Concert on Sunday evening in the Roof Garden Ballroom.

The weekend culminates with the Iowa Rock 'n Roll Induction Ceremony and Concert and autograph party on Sunday, Aug. 31.

### Inductees & Winners

- **Band Category:** Galaxy, WitcHazel, Wicked Liz & the Belly Swirls, Kory & the Fireflies, Sons of Gladys Kravitz, The Chevrons, Homegrown Band and Mirage
- **Border Band Category:** Skuddur, Indigenous
- **Venue Category:** The Depot in Shenandoah, IA, Ollinger Ballroom in Pocahontas, IA
- **Individual Category:** Gary Lambert, Tory Stoffregen, Kenny Kugel (deceased), Mark Doyle, Dick Howard, Scott Moore, Stacy Peterson, Chad Elliott, Tim Miller and Larry Hrubec
- **Promoter Category:** Jimmy Thomas
- **DJ Category:** Harry O'Neil
- **Radio Station Category:** KGLI KG95 in Sioux City, IA
- **Support Person Category:** John O'Connell (deceased), Mark Lage, Bill Julius
- **Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association Lifetime Achievement Award:** Luanne Reid
- **Matousek Lifetime Achievement Award:** Jamie Poulsen
- **2025 Special Achievement Award Spirit Award:** Casey Freemyer, Ric Jensen, D.A.D. (Hip-hop duo featuring Jason Reinert and Mark Koenig, with DJ Brandon Stowe)
- **2025 Special Achievement Award:** John Senn Legacy Award: Barb Lancaster

### About The Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association

The Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association annually inducts musicians, bands, DJs, ballrooms, promoters, inventors and others who have significantly contributed to rock and roll music in the State of Iowa. Since incorporation in 1997, more than 550 entities and over 2,000 individuals have had the honor of being inducted or awarded. Inductees must have a minimum of 25 years of experience in the music industry.

The Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association exists to preserve the legacy of rock and roll music in Iowa by honoring achievements, educating youth, and inspiring artists. Established in 1997, as a 501(c)(3) non-profit statewide organization.

The Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association welcomes nominations at [iowarocknroll.com/nominate](http://iowarocknroll.com/nominate). For more information on the induction weekend schedule, tickets, and more, visit [iowarocknroll.com](http://iowarocknroll.com). ■



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## Tim McGraw

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 @ 7 PM**  
**FIELD OF DREAMS MOVIE SITE**  
**(28995 LANSING RD, DYERSVILLE, IA)**

Three-time Grammy-Award winner Tim McGraw headlines an all-day concert at the Field of Dreams Movie Site in Dyersville, IA on Saturday, Aug. 30 at 7 p.m. Supporting acts will be announced in the coming weeks. The concert, organized by U.S. Concert Agency, will serve not only as a celebration of music but also of history, family, and the spirit of baseball.

Set on the same iconic field made famous by the movie, the event will also pay tribute to MLB legend Tug McGraw, Tim McGraw's father, on what would have been his 81<sup>st</sup> birthday. Tug, who played for the New York Mets and Philadelphia Phillies, left an indelible mark on the game, and his legacy will be honored in this unforgettable celebration.

McGraw's unparalleled career includes sales of over 103 million records worldwide, 47 No. 1 radio singles, 19 No. 1 albums, and countless industry awards and accolades. He holds the record for second-most No. 1 albums in the U.S. just behind George Strait. His unique chart achievements include having three singles in the Top 20 of the radio charts on multiple occasions, as well as having two singles spend over 10 weeks at No. 1. He has brought to life some of the biggest hit singles of all time, including "Live Like You Were Dying" and "Humble and Kind," a message that continues to impact fans worldwide, including a Spanish version sung by McGraw. His latest EP release, "Poet's Resume," follows the massive success of "Standing Room Only," whose title cut launched with the most first-week streams of any track in McGraw's career and became his 47<sup>th</sup> career No. 1.

Located on a picturesque 193-acre farm in Iowa, the Field of Dreams has become a symbol of American culture, drawing visitors from around the world to relive the magic of the 1989 film and celebrate America's pastime.

Concert organizer U.S. Concert Agency (USCA) and StubHub have a multi-year partnership which names StubHub as the Official Ticket Partner for the event. They have plans for future live events at the Field of Dreams.

Presale tickets sold out in less than five minutes, but tickets are still available. General admission tickets are \$99.99, and Home Run VIP is \$499.99. For tickets and more information, visit [USCA.live](http://USCA.live). ■

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## LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES

**FRI 1/31**



### Speakeasy Stand Up Comedy Night w/ Matt Banwart

7:30 PM @ SMOKESTACK (62 E 7<sup>TH</sup> ST)

COVER: \$20

This show will have national touring acts from Chicago and Austin. Iowa Native Matt Banwart is best known for hosting and judging the hit online show Roast Battle Chicago alongside guests like Jeff Ross, Dusty Slay, Hans Kim, Robert Kelly, and Kam Patterson. His first stand-up comedy album, *Town Kid*, debuted at No. 1 on Amazon and iTunes comedy charts. Matt has generated millions of views online across YouTube, TikTok, and Instagram and recently performed at Chicago's 312 Comedy Festival and Madison Comedy Week. [smokestackdbq.com](http://smokestackdbq.com).

campus events to private parties to city festivals, Funky Monks have traveled all around to entertain fellow Peppers fans. While offering selections from a growing catalog of 80-plus songs, they focus on giving you the same live experience as a real Peppers concert: stage energy, crowd interaction, funky live jams, random surprise covers, and of course all their biggest hits. With uncanny Anthony vocals, funky Flea-style bass, Chad's heavy-hitting rock style to a guitarist who can bring Slovak, Navarro, Frusciante and Klinghoffer together all in one show... you won't find a more accurate tribute to the Red Hot Chili Peppers! [qcasinoandresort.com](http://qcasinoandresort.com).

**SAT 2/8**



### River Glen & Band

8 PM @ THE LIFT (180 MAIN ST, LOWER LEVEL)  
 COVER: \$10

River's songwriting strikes a delicate balance of pop-appeal and lyrical substance. From wonderings about love, family, and belonging, to the celebration of death and loss as a natural part of life, River critiques modern pop-culture through the lens of familiar, traditional folk themes. Always with tasty grooves and clever rhymes, River holds audiences with a comfortable confidence as he shares his original music; playfully blending elements of folk, pop, and rock. Every performance is an opportunity to showcase his proficiency in guitar, violin, and mandolin, alongside powerhouse vocals. [facebook.com/theliftdubuque](https://www.facebook.com/theliftdubuque).

**SAT 2/1**



### Funky Monks

8 PM @ Q SHOWROOM  
 (1855 GREYHOUND PARK RD)

COVER: FREE

Funky Monks is America's premier Red Hot Chili Peppers tribute band, playing all the RHCP radio favorites plus the great punk and funk classics that helped put the multi-Grammy winning Peppers on the map. Since formed in 2003, they have played at venues across the U.S. as well as internationally. From bar gigs to college fraternity parties and



**Driftmore STACKED: Obeygrey, Kuuži, Trash Gordon, Full Speed Swede**

9 PM @ SMOKESTACK (62 E 7<sup>TH</sup> ST)

COVER: \$15

Obeygrey blends styles of hip-hop, classic deep dubstep, and contemporary bass music to create powerful sonic experiences that have resulted in performances alongside artists like Bleep Bloop, Mikrodót, Salty, Murkury, Molo-kai, Ganja White Night, Digital Ethos, Distinct Motive, Hypho, Sicaria, Hamdi, and more. Support from: Kuuži, Trash Gordon, Full and Speed Swede (Live SP-404 Set). [smokestackdbq.com](http://smokestackdbq.com).

**SUN 2/9**



**Barefoot & Sunshine**

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

COVER: FREE

Barefoot & Sunshine is an Americana-roots group sharing their music full time across the country. Both originally from different sides of Iowa, and then existing in parallel in the same music scene for many years, they recently formed the group down in New Orleans after connecting mid-pandemic. Dean Mattoon and Esmé Alexis blend style and voice, writing about such things as death, goodbyes, how they wish things were, and a few good times along the way, of course. But no matter the sentiment, you'd be hard-pressed to find them playing a song that didn't

have great meaning to them. Life is to be lived and felt, and that's what music is all about, really- pulling out feelings from the depths, from joy to sorrow and everything in between. With a school bus and a prayer, they've jumped in with bare feet and are chasing the sunshine that is doing what they love. [sundownmtn.com](http://sundownmtn.com).

**SAT 2/15**



**Melissa the Medium**

7 PM @ OHNWARD FINE ARTS CENTER (1215 E PLATT ST, MAQUOKETA, IA)

TICKETS: \$25

Melissa Culbertson was born and raised in Dubuque. Ever since she was a young girl Melissa has experienced the presence of spirit in many ways. During

her childhood she had many profound experiences with spirit and her psychic ability. It wasn't until later in life when she fully understood what her ability was. Melissa uses her Christian background for guidance as she delivers messages. The many paths that Melissa has walked in life have also led her to be a self-help coach. Many people have found strength, stability and love for themselves taking Melissa's courses. She also does Reiki, sound healing and grief classes. Melissa has been on live radio giving readings. She has also done many large group public events giving messages. Melissa enjoys bringing comfort, healing and honesty to those in need. She provides a beacon of light in the chaos. The first half of the show Melissa will do readings. Upon arriving at the theater you can place your name in a basket. Melissa will draw names and invite you to the stage for a reading. The second half of the show Melissa will take questions from the audience. [OhnwardFineArtsCenter.com](http://OhnwardFineArtsCenter.com).

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# Exotic Snack Guys

Story and Photos by Danny Fairchild

“I’ve seen things you people wouldn’t believe. Attack ships on fire off the shoulder of Orion...” —Rutger Hauer as “Roy Batty,” *Bladerunner*, 1982

“So damn what, skinjob! I’ve tasted a Kesar-Pista-flavored Snickers bar. And until you do THAT, you ain’t seen... oh, NOW you die?!” —Fanny Fairchild as “Danny Fairchild,” *365ink*, whatever issue this is

So... like most people of my age, I have a complicated relationship with the film *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory*. It’s mostly positive which, I know, could go either way depending on the person. But let’s not get into all that and just look at the positive, fun, fantastical aspects

of the film. Exotic Snack Guys (Dot Com) takes an ordinary retail space in Dubuque’s own Kennedy Mall and, without the use of (real) magic, somehow captures a “world of pure imagination” with bright, friendly lighting; full-but-not-overly-busy displays, cute candy-pink shopping bags; and all the snacks from around the world you’ve been missing or been missing out on. It’s just a delight to pop in there and see all the different candies and chips and sodas and cookies and... and... and... and anyway.

I’m a man with a powerful sweet tooth. Too powerful. Like... my sweet tooth is like a really crappy superpower. I crave sweets more than any living being. My arch-nemesis is pre-diabetes. So, I had some things picked out and on the sales counter before I could even ask for a recommendation. I got a lot of stuff, and all of it deserves to be commented on. So let’s get started.

Let’s start with the product that was recommended to me. Kebab-flavored Tiger brand potato chips. This savory little delight hails from Egypt and is one of Exotic Snack Guys’ best sellers. I believe it. I snagged the last bag on the shelf. As far as texture of this chip: Start with a Ruffle or similar. The potato chips with ridges. Now, make the ridges a little tighter. Like... if the ridges were a wavelength, Tiger would be

a higher wavelength. Make sense? It makes it a little more brittle, but still dippable. And you’re going to want to dip these, friends. Any chip dip will do. Because these chips manage to pull off the seared meat flavor of a kebab, if not a friggin’ beef steak. It’s amazing. It’s (the flavor of) a meat-and-potatoes meal all in one chip. How friggin’ Wonkaesque is that? Now imagine dipping that in French onion dip, or ranch dip, or whatever dip. The internet purports this to be a spicy-flavored chip. I didn’t get much of that, so don’t be afraid.

A lot of the things I bought on my way to spending way too much money on snacks were things I’d only ever heard about. Like Milkybar. This bar of white chocolate has been around since the 1930s but is only sold as an import here in the U.S., even though it’s sold worldwide. And I get it. We look at white chocolate and see almond bark. The snobbiest of us look at white chocolate and say something to the effect of “Well actually, white chocolate isn’t really chocolate.” And to paraphrase The Dude, you’re not wrong, you’re just an expletive deleted. I won’t yuck your yum if you like white chocolate, but with white chocolate, I generally just feel cheated. I bought the Milkybar because I thought Annie would like it. She likes

white chocolate in her espresso drinks, so I thought that meant she liked white chocolate. I was adorably wrong about that. That said, I’ve tried plenty of white chocolate. It gets around in the form of gifts. As far as bars comprised of nothing but white chocolate go, this is probably the best example. It’s good. Almond bark, schmalmond bark. Not my thing, but if you like white chocolate, I can’t imagine you not liking this.

Kit Kat bars are just as bad, if not worse than Oreo cookies in terms of the number of largely unnecessary different flavors. By the way, Exotic Snack Guys has some of the weirder Oreos, too, though I didn’t get around to them. Most of the weird Kit Kats are only available as imports in the U.S. so thank goodness for Exotic Snack Guys. I almost flippantly picked up a Kit Kat Chunky Drumstick. “Drumstick” as in a Drumstick brand ice cream cone. It was just a, “Meh... I need to try at least one unorthodox Kit Kat, this seems fine.” I didn’t understand the obvious implications of such a confection. Don’t see it? Well let me enlighten you by asking you this question: What is the best part of a Drumstick? Oh ho! Now you get it, don’t you? The best part of a Drumstick is the very end tip of the cone where the inner chocolate coating has collected along with



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whatever ice cream has melted. So... with the wafer/waffle texture of a Kit Kat... with the chocolate coating of a Kit Kat and/or Drumstick... plus the further Drumstick influence... this Kit Kat is the very best last bite of a Drumstick in full candy bar form. HOW is this just a Canada thing?!

Speaking of Canada, it turned out that many of the things I got came from our friends (for now) to the north. I'm sure you've heard of Coffee Crisp. While not generally available in the U.S., Coffee Crisps are HUGE in Canada. Like... "Official NHL Sponsor" huge. And Kit Kats are actually a pretty good segue into Coffee Crisps because again, you're getting a classic chocolate-covered wafer bar. But as the name suggests, you're getting a nice lovely coffee flavor. And you get it in the form as a delightfully foamy soft layers amongst the wafers. If you like Kit Kats even a little bit, you'll love Coffee Crisps.

Still touring Canada's snack food landscape (to the point where I feel foolish for not getting my hands on some all-dressed chips), let's talk Tim Tam. How to describe Tim Tam cookies? Hmm. Take a Double-Stuffed Oreo or similar. Make it rectangular. Make the cookie layers thicker. Now make the cream layer fluffier. Now dip that mofo in chocolate. Feel me? Because

it's chocolate covered, it doesn't have the milkability of an Oreo, but it tries. And BECAUSE it's chocolate flavored AND the cookie isn't as dense as an Oreo, folks have been known to sip coffee, hot toddies or hot chocolate through a Tim Tam. I just found that out, and now all the Tim Tams are gone, and I'm pissed. Oh, well. Guess I have to go back to Exotic Snack Guys. I got regular (milk chocolate) Tim Tam cookies, but I also got the dark mint variety and... ooooooh, my friends. Here in the U.S. we, of course, have Thin Mints and similar. Dark Mint Tim Tam cookies are like Thin Mints... but thick. Thicc Mints. Again with the two thick but not-so-dense cookie layers. Again with the light cream filling. But that strong dark mint flavor we indulge heavily in during fundraising season.

One thing I picked up out of pure whimsy is the Twix Secret Centre Biscuits. Now... this is a product of the U.K., so let's just go ahead and translate "biscuit" into "cookie." If you look on the package of a Twix candy bar you can purchase at literally any store in the United States, you'll see them described as "cookie bars." So Twix Secret Centre Biscuits are Twix cookie bars... that are in cookie, not bar form. These are Twix bars still in the larva stage. I don't know if a middleman is being cut out

or added in the production of this treat, but it was funny enough for me to buy.

Oh, crap. I teased you with the Kesar Pista Snickers bar and almost left you hanging. Now... I had no idea what kesar pista is before purchasing this candy bar. I just saw a Snickers that had pistachios in it and figured it HAD to be good. Oh ho! Got your attention now, don't I? This Snickers bar is imported from India. Kesar pista, if you're as ignorant as me, is a combination of saffron and pistachio that is a common flavor in desserts including, but not limited to, Snickers bars. You may recognize saffron and pistachio as two expensive ingredients. Screw giving me my weight in gold. Give me my weight in saffron ANY day. As such, you're not getting REAL saffron, and the pistachios are cut with almonds, and nonetheless, it's gotten me excited about the kesar-pistabilities. Flavorwise? Umm... kiiiiinda like eggnog. Sorta. If you don't like eggnog, you still might like this.

My legendary sweet tooth is excited about all the possibilities of Exotic Snack Guys. It's like getting a subscription snacks-of-the-world bundle that you get to pick and not have to wait for. That said, Exotic Snack Guys (Dot Com) has subscription services. Have a blast! ■

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### All You Need:

- 2 c. Hy-Vee rotisserie chicken, shredded
- ½ tsp. That's Smart! seasoned salt
- ¼ tsp. That's Smart! onion powder
- ½ c. That's Smart! chicken broth
- ½ c. That's Smart! original barbeque sauce
- 4 That's Smart! white hamburger buns
- That's Smart! sliced dill pickles, for serving
- 1 small red onion, thinly sliced, for serving

### All You Do:

1. Add shredded rotisserie chicken to a large skillet over medium heat. Sprinkle with seasoned salt and onion powder; add chicken broth. Cook 7 to 8 minutes, or until the chicken is heated through (165 degrees) and the broth has evaporated.
2. Add barbeque sauce to chicken. Toss to heat through; remove from heat. Divide chicken mixture between hamburger buns. If desired, top with sliced dill pickles and red onions.

Recipe Source: [hy-vee.com](http://hy-vee.com)



# Budget Bites

## Stretching Your Food Dollar This February

By Hy-Vee Nutritionist Megan Dalsing

Many people think eating healthy will drain their wallet, but this couldn't be further from the truth! With some planning and

strategic shopping, you can enjoy nutritious meals while keeping your wallet happy. Let's dive into how making simple, savvy choices can save you money today—and potentially in future health care costs.

### Healthy Eating Doesn't Have to Be Expensive

The idea that healthy food is pricey usually comes from the cost of specialty health products. But you don't need to splurge on the latest food trends to eat well. Fresh produce, whole grains, and lean proteins can fit into any budget, especially when focusing on affordable, everyday staples and seasonal items.

For instance, frozen or canned fruits and vegetables can be a great, budget-friendly alternative to fresh produce, particularly when certain fruits or veggies are out of season. Take frozen blueberries, for example—they're a convenient, year-round option and a game-changer for busy days. They simplify meal prep, satisfy your cravings with their sweet, tangy flavor, and deliver brain-boosting antioxidants and essential nutrients your body needs. These options pack the same nutritional punch, are often cheaper, and let you stock up without worrying about spoilage. Similarly, buying whole grains like rice, oats, or quinoa in bulk can save money while giving you a versatile base for many meals. Combine these with affordable protein options like beans, lentils, eggs, or canned tuna, and you've got a wholesome, balanced meal without the high price tag.

### Meal Planning: Your Best Friend for Savings

Meal planning is a powerful tool for saving time and money, and it can make a noticeable difference in your budget. By planning ahead, you can minimize impulse buys,

reduce food waste, and ensure that every ingredient you purchase serves a purpose in multiple meals throughout the week.

1. **Start with what you've got:** Before heading to the store, check your pantry, fridge, and freezer to see what you already have. Frugal February is all about saving where you can, and using these items as the base for your meals is a simple way to cut costs while reducing food waste.
2. **Plan around sales and seasons:** Look at your grocery store's weekly ad and choose meals that incorporate discounted or in-season items. Seasonal produce is often more affordable and flavorful, while sales on staples like proteins or grains can help stretch your budget.
3. **Make a list and stick to it:** Write a detailed list of the ingredients you need for your planned meals and stick to it while shopping. This will help you avoid impulse buys and ensure you stay on track with your budget and meal plan.
4. **Prep ingredients in advance:** When you return from grocery shopping, take some time to wash, chop, or portion ingredients like fruits, vegetables, and proteins. Having prepped ingredients ready to go makes cooking faster and reduces the temptation to order takeout.
5. **Mix and match meals:** Build flexibility into your meal plan by including ingredients that can be used across multiple dishes. For example, roasted vegetables can be a side dish one night and added to a grain bowl or wrap the next day.

In the end, healthy eating doesn't have to cost a fortune. You can eat well without breaking the bank with a little planning and smart shopping. By prioritizing well-balanced meals and maintaining a healthy weight, you can lower your risk of chronic conditions like diabetes, heart disease, and high blood pressure. These conditions often lead to expensive medical bills, so making healthy choices now can save you money in the long run.

Ready to kick-start your health journey? Hy-Vee dietitians are here to guide you—right in the store where you shop! Connect with your local dietitian at [hy-vee.com/health/hy-vee-dietitians](http://hy-vee.com/health/hy-vee-dietitians) and schedule your complimentary Discovery Session today. ■

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# The Message

By John McAndrew

“The American sense of reality is dictated by what Americans are trying to avoid,” James Baldwin said in a long-mothballed interview.

Every Ta-Nehisi (TAH-ne-HA-see) Coates book is a major cultural and literary event. He even made a splash by writing a long series of *Black Panther* comic books – and is working on a script for a new *Superman* film for DC. His newest book, *The Message*, has been in the news for his take on the Israel-Palestine-Gaza conflagration. He has won the National Book Award for Nonfiction, been nominated for a Pulitzer, and no less than Toni Morrison compared him to James Baldwin. Let’s not do him the disservice of treating a *great* book on education, writing, national myth-making, and more, as a mere headline-grabber.

In an interview with Trevor Noah (available on YouTube), Coates says, “My purpose is to make room in the frame for people who have been pushed out of it.” His task, in writing this book addressed to his students at Howard University, is to do the opposite of what book bans do: He wants everyone to be heard, especially those who have been routinely silenced. And he wants his students to know how important it is to dig deeper into ALL the stories, the familiar ones as well as the suppressed ones. He strives to subvert the culture of the “hot take” that is ubiquitous in our media and social media. Hot takes usually confirm what we already *think* we know. Hot takes reinforce

myths, are created and consumed by those who are too impatient to wait for confirmation, much less reflection.

Coates talks, in *The Message*, about his early love of books and stories; about teachers fighting book bans in North Carolina; about his trip to West Africa, to Senegal, where slave ships departed for the Americas, according to legends; and his trip to Palestine, and to Yad Vashem. In telling these particular, current, controversial stories, his goal is evidently to show his students how hard it is to get beneath the surface; how the secret is in finding out what people don’t want you to know; and what the finished product of such integrity looks like.

What prophet was ever charged with making their listeners feel good? Teachers, writers, journalists, and parents should help us recognize and deal with reality. All of it. And maybe, with a lot of work, time, and help, improve it.

“It is never enough,” Coates says to students and writers, “for the reader of your words to be convinced. The goal is to *haunt*...” And he says, “The danger we represent, as writers, is not that we will simply convince their children of a different dogma but that we will convince them that they have the power to form their own.”

Every book lover will recognize the power Coates describes. “But the fact is that, even as I know and teach the power of writing, I still find myself in disbelief when I see that power at work in the real world. Maybe it is the nature of books. Film, music, the theater—all can be experienced amidst the whooping, clapping, and cheering of the crowd. But books work when no one else is looking, mind-melding author and audience, forging an imagined world that only the reader can see.”

In the tradition of Orwell and Baldwin, we are lucky to have such a writer of principled, eloquent prose in our time. ■

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## “Unconditional Surrender: A Visit with Ulysses S. Grant”

Saturday, Feb. 8, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.

This special presentation is an informative, humorous, and touching portrayal of Ulysses S. Grant, written and performed by Peter J. Grady. The performance features music, photographs, and dialogue that explore Grant’s successes and failures in the Army, as president, and in his civilian and family life.

## Free Movie Night: Conclave

Thursday, Feb. 13, at 6 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.



Starring Ralph Fiennes and directed by Edward Berger, “Conclave” (2024) is a suspenseful drama about a cardinal tasked with organizing a papal conclave to elect the next pope, but finds himself investigating each candidates’ secrets and scandals.

This movie is rated PG and runtime is two hours. Closed captioning or subtitles will be turned on. Seating is first come, first served.

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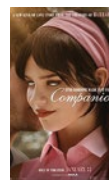
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**COMPANION (R)**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

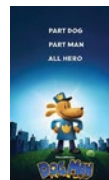
The demented are put into domestic bliss as a weekend getaway turns bloody and violent. A fiendishly clever contraption that doesn't rest on the laurels of its twists, a subservient android that's built for human companionship goes haywire.



**DOG MAN (PG)**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

When a faithful police dog and his human police officer owner are injured on the job, a harebrained but life-saving surgery fuses them together, and Dog Man is born. As Dog Man embraces his new identity and strives to impress his Chief, he must stop the plots of feline supervillain Petey the Cat. But when Lil Petey falls into the clutches of a common enemy, Dog Man and Petey reluctantly join forces in an action-packed race against time to rescue the young kitten.



**LOVE HURTS (R)**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Ke Huy Quan stars as Marvin Gable, a realtor working the Milwaukee suburbs. Gable receives a crimson envelope from Rose (Ariana DeBose), a former partner-in-crime that he had left for dead. She's not happy. Now, Marvin is thrust back into a world of ruthless hitmen, filled with double-crosses and open houses turned into deadly warzones. With his brother Knuckles (Daniel Wu), a volatile crime lord, hunting him, Marvin must confront the choices that haunt him and the history he never truly buried.



**CAPTAIN AMERICA: BRAVE NEW WORLD (PG-13)**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

There are no aliens, multi-universe journeys or magical stones in this upcoming Marvel movie. The creators are taking it back to "old-school Marvel," according to Anthony Mackie. Taking up the mantle that Steve Rogers (Chris Evans) left for him, Sam Wilson (Mackie) must do all he can to stop a hot-headed president (Harrison Ford).



**Movie Buzz**

Michael Fassbender remains open to the possibility of returning for a sequel to *Alien: Covenant*, noting that it was a rewarding experience working with director Ridley Scott the first time and that he holds great respect for the director's work. With Fassbender's interest, there seems to be a likely possibility for a sequel, especially after *Alien: Romulus*' recent release in 2024.



*Practical Magic 2* may have found its director in Danish filmmaker Susanne Bier. The original followed sisters Sally (Sandra Bullock) and Gillian Owens (Nicole Kidman), who dabble with their family's magic and accidentally sow chaos in the process. The upcoming *Practical Magic 2*, which was announced in June 2024, is set to reunite Kidman and Bullock with original screenwriter Akiva Goldsman. Bier previously directed Bullock in *Bird Box* and worked with Nicole Kidman twice in the miniseries *The Undoing* and *The Perfect Couple*.



Arnold Schwarzenegger and Alan Ritchson have a new partner for their upcoming holiday comedy, *The Man With the Bag*, as Awkwafina joins cast. This will be Arnold's first foray into Christmas movies since 1996's *Jingle All the Way*. Santa (Schwarzenegger) has his magic bag stolen and calls upon a naughty thief (Ritchson) to help him get it back. The thief's daughter and a band of misfits join them in executing a bag-retrieving heist, and it's likely Awkwafina has been cast to play one of those misfits.



Brad Pitt is reuniting with *Fury* director David Ayer for a new action movie, *Heart of the Beast*, from a script written by Cameron Alexander. The film follows a "former Army Special Forces Soldier and his retired combat dog who battle for survival after a plane crash deep in the unforgiving Alaskan wilderness." Produced by Pitt and Ayer with Executive Producer Alexander.





# Default Settings

By Matt Booth

Default settings aren't just for your smartphone or that office coffee machine that somehow always breaks right before your turn. Nope, they're built into you too—your attitude has a default setting.

Picture this: You're running late for work. You spill coffee on your shirt while rushing out the door, but you decide to roll with it. You jump in the car, turn the key, and... click. Dead battery. Plan B—grab the old car in the driveway. But of course, it's running on fumes. Your spouse throws you the, "Didn't I tell you to get gas?" glare, and then, as you frantically scramble, you realize you grabbed two different shoes on the way out. One's a dress shoe. The other? A sneaker.

So, what's your first reaction? Do you chuckle, shrug, and think, "Well, at least it's Casual Friday somewhere!" Or do you rage, slam the door, and declare the day ruined before it's even started?

That knee-jerk reaction? That's your default attitude—your go-to way of responding when life decides to mess with your plans.

## Positive vs. Negative Defaults

Here's the big question: Is your default attitude positive or negative?

A positive default might look like this:

- Thoughts: "Okay, not ideal, but I'll figure it out."
- Feelings: Confidence, resourcefulness, maybe even a bit of humor.
- Action: You problem-solve calmly, laugh at the mismatched shoes, and keep moving.

A negative default, on the other hand, might look like this:

- Thoughts: "Why does this always happen to me?"
- Feelings: Frustration, self-pity, maybe even full-blown panic.
- Action: You snap at your spouse, stress out the kids, and show up to work with a dark cloud over your head.

If you think this doesn't matter much, think again. Studies show that a person with a negative outlook is up to 40% less productive than someone who



tackles life with a positive mindset. Your attitude doesn't just impact you—it ripples out to everyone around you.

## The "Uh-Oh, It's the Boss" Test

Still not sure where your default attitude lands? Let's try this: Imagine your phone rings at 7:58 a.m., just as you're walking into work. You glance at the screen—it's your boss. Be honest: What's your gut reaction?

- "Oh no, what did I do now?"
- "This can't be good."
- "Great, let's add some drama to my already chaotic morning."

Or...

- "Huh, maybe they're calling with good news!"
- "I wonder what exciting opportunity is coming my way."
- "Hey, it's the boss—let's see what they need."

Your first thoughts and feelings in moments like this reveal a lot about your default attitude. Try the same exercise with different people: a coworker, a family member, or even that neighbor who borrows your lawnmower.

## Attitude Tune-Up Time

If your default attitude leans negative, don't sweat it. You're not stuck that way! Think of your attitude like a thermostat—when things feel too cold (or heated), you can adjust.

Here's how to tweak your settings:

1. **Pause and Reframe:** When life throws you a curveball, hit pause. Ask yourself, "What's one positive thing about

- this situation?" Instead of "Why me?" try "What can I learn from this?"
2. **Start a Gratitude Habit:** Research shows that practicing gratitude can make you 25% happier. Stuck in traffic? Be grateful you're not the guy with the flat tire on the side of the road. Late for work? Hey, at least you have a job to rush to!
3. **Find the Humor:** Sometimes, the best way to shift your attitude is to laugh. Mismatched shoes? Own it. Tell your coworkers it's a new trend and see how long it takes for someone to believe you.

## Let's Reset

Here in the Tri-State area, we know life can throw some serious curveballs—like when the weather is -6 or when your favorite lunch spot is mysteriously closed on the one day you finally have time to grab a bite.

But here's the thing: While you can't always control what happens, you can control how you react. Your default attitude matters. It shapes your day, your relationships, and even your health.

So, the next time life pulls the rug out from under you, take a breath and check your settings. Is your default attitude working for you—or against you?

Remember, no one's asking you to fake a sunshine-and-rainbows vibe 24/7 (let's be real, we all have one of those

days). But making small shifts in your mindset can make a big difference—for you and everyone around you.

What's your default attitude? And if it's not what you want it to be, what are you going to do about it? ■

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### Conceptis Sudoku

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### WHERE'S GENERAL BOB?

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



### PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

#### CURSES TO COURSES!

- ACROSS
- 1 Flack of song
  - 8 Jean Rhys' "Wide — Sea"
  - 16 With 25-Across, does nothing
  - 20 Lovey-dovey
  - 21 Brings to light
  - 22 Make a sock, say
  - 23 Pollen being released around the Alamo?
  - 25 See 16-Across
  - 26 "No ifs, — or buts!"
  - 27 Tiny peeve
  - 28 Three-time Haitian president
  - 30 Brother of Gretel
  - 33 Mandatory security measures?
  - 37 Casa bricks
  - 39 Relay race handoff
  - 40 Ancient region of Asia Minor
  - 41 Travel behind a large, moving crowd?
  - 45 In a fitting way
  - 48 Ancient
  - 49 Shoe part
  - 50 Goal
  - 53 Debtor's note
  - 54 Bullfight cry
  - 55 Roman 514
  - 56 Superhero who goes around plugging up wine bottles?
  - 61 "Fast X" actor Gibson
  - 64 Close by
  - 66 Coffee dregs
  - 67 Like a drink that's agitated as opposed to kept in reserve?
  - 70 Cowboy flick
  - 73 Having been sworn in
  - 74 Twins Ashley and Mary-Kate
  - 78 Actress singing "Anything Goes" with the Tabernacle Choir?
  - 80 Brandy fruit
  - 82 "— don't!"
  - 83 In favor of
  - 84 She-sheep
  - 85 Forest home
  - 86 "— Was a Lady" (1933 hit)
  - 88 "Grand" peak
  - 91 Royal spouse who lives outdoors?
  - 96 U. lecturers
  - 99 Egg-shaped
  - 100 Main course
  - 101 Plank of a ship?
  - 104 Heavily involved
  - 106 Really bizarre
  - 107 Frankenfood item, for short
  - 108 Emu relative
  - 111 — -Rooter
  - 112 Refused to feed any gregarious marine mammals?

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- 119 Theater level
- 120 "Sharknado" actress
- 121 Accept the truth of
- 122 "Give it —"
- 123 Blends
- 124 Litters with fallen-out fur
- 32 Chicago-to-Houston dir.
- 33 Satirist Mort
- 34 — -Z (complete)
- 35 In favor of
- 36 Complete
- 37 In motion
- 38 Singer Parton
- 39 Stuff injected by a stinger
- 42 "I appreciate it," to a texter
- 43 Poet Heinrich
- 44 Dine
- 46 Byron's title
- 47 Belly laughs
- 51 "Othello" foe
- 52 Looking glass
- 55 "Heavens!"
- 56 Sing sweetly
- 57 "— girl!"
- 58 Like much business reply mail
- 59 Caroling tune
- 60 Cows chew them
- 62 Punta del —
- 63 Kids' author Silverstein
- 65 Part of A.D.
- 68 Be sure of
- 69 Nongendered possessive
- 70 Cried
- 71 Raison d'—
- 72 Olympian with a 16-pound ball
- 75 Pain-reducing hormones
- 76 Bête — (hated thing)
- 77 Spanish for "seven"
- 79 Early auto
- 81 Bit of a circle
- 85 Deposited
- 86 Kin of -ette
- 87 Rocky orbiter
- 89 Public speaking skill
- 90 Chris of "The Good Wife"
- 92 Cock-a- — (hybrid dog)
- 93 TV's Longoria
- 94 Hide — hair
- 95 Big U.K. lexicon
- 97 Puebla party
- 98 Piercing cry
- 101 Big blood line
- 102 Ring in a tossing game
- 103 Catcher Yogi
- 104 Little devil
- 105 Net tyros
- 107 Divine beings
- 109 This, in Baja
- 110 Vast stretch
- 113 Actor Kilmer
- 114 Unit of work
- 115 Antinarcotics agcy.
- 116 Takeaway logic game
- 117 "— -roh!" (cry from Astro on "The Jetsons")
- 118 Eleanor Estes' "Ginger —"

#### DOWN

- 1 Tabula —
- 2 Muscat locale
- 3 Investor receiving a coupon
- 4 Like classroom chalk
- 5 Film director Howard
- 6 "Tsk!"
- 7 In unison
- 8 Be fitting for
- 9 "I'll take that as —"
- 10 Hi- — image
- 11 Disparity
- 12 Not interested in a lovey-dovey relationship, for short
- 13 Fender guitar, in brief
- 14 Singer Crow
- 15 Harden to bone
- 16 Excursion to the slopes
- 17 Telling sign
- 18 Mark in "mañana"
- 19 Noble horse
- 24 Zilch
- 29 Soft drink
- 31 Bright color

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# Look What I Found at the Library!

By Pam Kress-Dunn

This week in my volunteer shelfreading adventure at Carnegie-Stout Public Library, I'm wandering through the 800s, where you'll find everything to do with literature. These are the latest books that jumped out at me. I checked them out and took them home, and you can do that, too!

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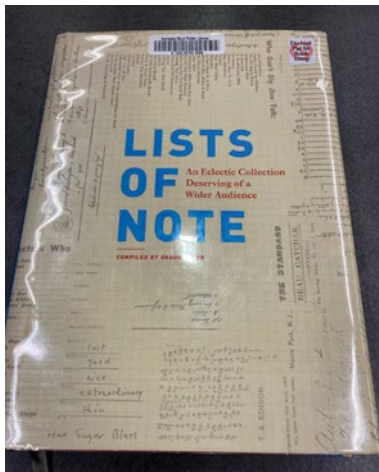


## 811.54 RUE A Little White Shadow, by Mary Ruefle

As a poet, I'm fond of 811.54, where American poetry books live, whether famous—Robert Frost, Emily Dickinson—or simply brilliant. Mary Ruefle won the Iowa Poetry Prize, among others, and the Poetry Foundation calls her work “at once funny and dark, domestic and wild.” She’s not afraid of a challenge. In this tiny book—labeled by one reviewer “so small and sweet you could dunk it in coffee”—she practices “erasure” poetry. Don’t be daunted—it’s fun! What you do is take a book, or just a page or two of text, like the last wordy memo your boss circulated, and do away with most of the words, covering them with Wite-Out or a black Sharpie. The parts you choose to keep will tell their own story, like these three separate phrases on one page of the original 1889 text: “It was my duty to keep / the piano / filled with roses.” After reading this book, I’m going to cross out most of the latest Op Ed in the local paper, and see what poetry can be revealed. ■

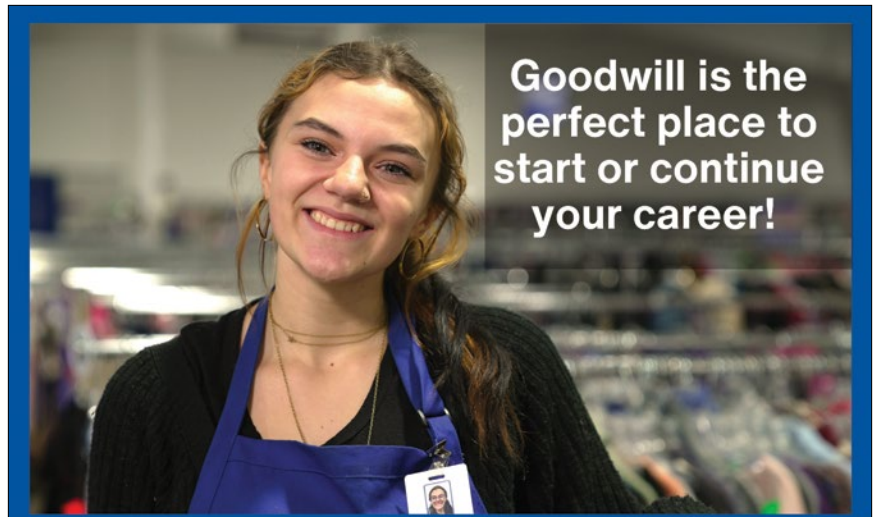
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This book is a treasure! Usher uncovered 125 to-dos, inventories, resolutions, best-ofs, pros and cons, and more lists from people you may have heard of. Johnny Cash vows to “1. Not Smoke, 2. Kiss June, 3. Not kiss anyone else.” In 1788, George Washington inventoried—tragically—his 300-plus slaves. Woody Guthrie’s 1941 resolutions included “Wash teeth if any,” “Keep Hoping Machine running,” and “Help win war—Beat fascism.” Marilyn Monroe was determined to take acting lessons, noting wistfully, “Try to enjoy myself when I can—I’ll be miserable enough as it is.” See what Chrissie Hynde, Nick Cave, Norman Mailer, and Francis Ford Coppola scribbled down. Do not miss the 1940 list of Wartime Golf Rules in Surrey, England, during the Battle of Britain, which advises, “Players whose stroke is affected by the simultaneous explosion



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## HPV can cause 6 types of cancers

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The CDC recommends the HPV vaccine for children as young as 9 and for people up to age 26 if not vaccinated when younger.



Ask your healthcare provider about the HPV vaccine



Source: National Cancer Institute cancer.gov



### Angela's Awesome Advice

**DEAR ANGELA,**

During the tiktok ban I had so much time to be creative that I was able to write a screenplay, finished editing my first short film and founded a start up dedicated to disrupting and innovating in the tech sphere. But then, less than 24 hours later, the ban was back on pause. Now I'm struggling; I'm not productive anymore! I just keep scrolling. How can I get back to that more efficient me?  
—More Productive Offline

**DEAR PRODUCTIVE,**

Honestly? Thank goodness you sound like you have the ability to be a real menace to society.....hmmmm look, a cat jumping in the snow..... Oh! I've never made that cucumber salad recipe before, gotta save that video..... Wow I had no idea there was a lake in Siberia that's home to freshwater seals, they are so cute! This app is just so much fun....Ope! Sorry, while I was writing the response to your boring question I got distracted and couldn't stop watching videos. Where was I? Oh yeah. No one wants to watch your film or read your screenplay, and for the love of planned obsolescence please no more "disrupting the tech sphere". Just keep scrolling and leave us all in peace.

**DEAR ANGELA,**

I made a really good spreadsheet at work this week, like really good. It has multiple layers of formulas and the most beautiful pivot table you have ever seen. The thing is, I have gotten ZERO recognition for it. I know that I shouldn't expect a huge raise or something, but seriously this thing is a work of art. Is it silly of me to want my boss to at least tell me "good job"?  
—Sum=(no thanks for)hard work

**DEAR SUM,**

As someone who firmly believes that I deserve every award I never won, I feel your pain. In this circumstance I recommend taking matters into your own hands. Find a certificate template on Microsoft Word, or your company's canva account and make up a little award for yourself. Get a frame from the thrift store and hang it up in your cubicle. Co-workers will be jealous, and your boss's boss will be impressed the next time they stop by to ask you for a report.

**DEAR ANGELA**

My wife and I are getting divorced. We both decided it was time, and overall everything has gone really smoothly, up until it came time to divide up our assets. I have an extensive vintage t-shirt collection. She is demanding half. I don't think this is reasonable because she hates t-shirts and they aren't even her size. She has her own collection of celebrity hair clippings, and I'm not making her divide that up! And honestly I think the hair is more valuable because with the improvements to clone technology, I think the value of a lock of Betty White's hair is really going to skyrocket in the next decade. It really feels like she is doing this just to hurt me. What should I do?  
—Shirt Off My Back

**DEAR SHIRT,**

With collections like these it's clear your relationship was doomed from the start. Every barber will tell you that hair clippings and clothing do NOT go well together. This is a real "Judgement of Solomon" situation here, except worse. As you may know, in that story, two ladies wanted a child and one was willing to cut the kid in half over it. It was a very innovative and disruptive compromise. I guess in this situation I'm king Solomon, right? and I'm going to recommend the same thing- why not split each shirt directly down the middle and make a super cool t-shirt quilt out of them! Alternately, I would just let her take them, and take something better and more stable in this economy. Not the hair though. Does she have any gold that you could take instead of the shirts? That seems like a much safer investment.

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COMPLETELY NOT FAKE  
Horoscopes**  
By Danny Fairchild, Friend to the Cosmos

**ARIES**  
(APR 19–MAY 13)  
Now's the time to find the answers to make BIGGER changes. And before you go wasting time: No, there is nothing in your spam folder scientifically proven to make things change bigger. The answer to any question is NEVER in your spam folder.

**TAURUS**  
(MAY 14–JUNE 19)  
As we close the first month of the new year, it's time to reflect on all the resolutions you've abandoned. Unless your resolution was to not make any resolutions. In that case, you've likely crashed your entire year. Resolving not to resolve is the New Year version of dividing by zero.

**GEMINI**  
(JUNE 20–JULY 20)  
Now is the time for outside-the-box thinking. Which is weird for this time of year. Usually, it's so cold you could freeze your ass off by going outside the box.

**CANCER**  
(JULY 21–AUG 9)  
Now's the time to break out of your routine. Unless your routine is to follow your horoscope. In that case, just pick a different horoscope this week. Any horoscope will do, even if it's not mine. It literally doesn't matter. It never does.

**LEO**  
(AUG 10–SEP 15)  
Now's the time to examine your truth. It'll be hard, considering you've always been a lying POS and the person you've lied to the most is yourself.

**VIRGO**  
(SEP 16–OCT 30)  
It can sometimes be difficult to live with yourself. But the rest of us have to live with you, too, and you don't hear us complaining.

**LIBRA**  
(OCT 31–NOV 22)  
You'll feel like the entire world is laughing right in your face every time they see you coming. But you can't

blame the cosmos for that. The cosmos didn't tell you to buy a Cybertruck, king.

**SCORPIO**  
(NOV 23–NOV 29)  
Though the new moon looks promising, it'll probably just be yet another reboot designed to cash in on sentimentality, nostalgia, and merchandising.

**OPHIUCHUS**  
(NOV 30–DEC 17)  
It's been so long since you've been able to follow your *Passions*. But come on... *Passions* was canceled almost 20 years ago. It's time to get a new soap opera.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
(DEC 18–JAN 8)  
It's nice to be able to rely on your family for guidance and advice. But at the same time, those are the fools who convinced you to vote for Trump, so maybe try doing the opposite of what they say this time.

**CAPRICORN**  
(JAN 9–FEB 15)  
With everything going on, it'll seem like you have beef with the entire world. But have you checked beef prices lately? Ch-ching!

**AQUARIUS**  
(FEB 16–MAR 11)  
You'll be tempted to go against your personal values. Because while everyone loves a value... you should never discount yourself. Wow, that was good, wasn't it? That's going on a coffee mug.

**PISCES**  
(MAR 12–APR 18)  
Curiosity should be your guide. Of course... you'll have to get to Mars first.

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FEB  
1** **FUNKY MONKS**  
RHCP TRIBUTE BAND

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**FRI  
FEB  
7** **LOUDER NOW**  
POP-PUNK + EMO EXPERIENCE

**8PM** FREE SHOW



**SAT  
FEB  
8** **WINTER DANCE PARTY**  
A TRIBUTE TO BUDDY HOLLY

**5PM & 8PM** SCAN HERE FOR TICKETS




**FRI  
FEB  
14** **TRIPPIN BILLIES**  
THE DAVE MATTHEWS TRIBUTE BAND

**8PM** FREE SHOW



**SAT  
FEB  
15** **KINGS OF RADIO**  
80'S-TO-TODAY ROCK TRIBUTE BAND

**8PM** FREE SHOW



**FRI  
FEB  
21** **HAPHAZARD**  
CLASSIC ROCK AND ROLL

**8PM** FREE SHOW



**SAT  
FEB  
22** **SHADY**  
A LIVE BAND TRIBUTE TO THE MUSIC OF EMINEM

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**FRI  
FEB  
28** **TYLER RICHTON AND THE HIGH BACK BOYS**  
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8** **THAT ARENA ROCK SHOW**  
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