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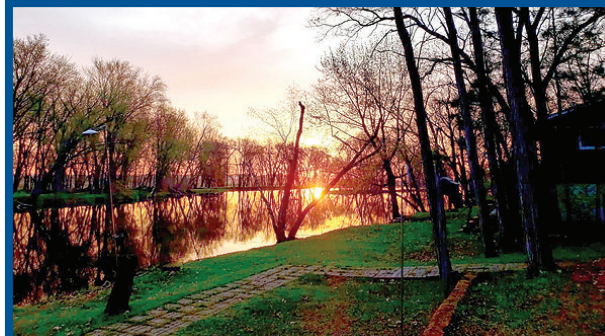
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**A**voca, a small, beautiful village nestled between lush hills and scenic Wisconsin river straddles the northwest border of Iowa County. Avoca's yearly celebrations include: Fireman's Annual Celebration in February, St. Patrick's Day Parade in March, Memorial Day Celebration in May, and Labor Day Celebration in September. Avoca has the biggest Prairie Land east of the Mississippi River, from which you are able to walk to the Wisconsin River and enjoy the natural beauty.

In 2008, Avoca dedicated its new Veteran's Memorial in Legion Park on Front Street, complete with a retired military tank. The Avoca Lakeside Park features a campground, ancient Indian mounds, ball diamond, concession stand, two picnic shelters, playgrounds, a swim at your own risk beach, and boat ramp.

The Avoca Campground has 75 sites, accommodating both permanent and vacationing campers. Indian mounds are in the park overlooking the Avoca Lake. The group includes six linear and four conical mounds. The Avoca Lake is backwater of the Wisconsin River and is great for fishing, no-wake boating, canoeing and kayaking. The lake is approximately 2 miles long and during most of the summer is shallow, with the deepest areas about 8-10 feet. The Avoca Prairie is located about 2 miles



east of the village and is one of four Department of Natural Resources public hunting area within 7 miles of the village. Game common to the area are the whitetail deer, wild turkey, waterfowl, pheasants, and other small game. The prairie is the largest contiguous prairie east of the Mississippi River. The bottomlands are covered with many different grasses, flowers, and other plants.

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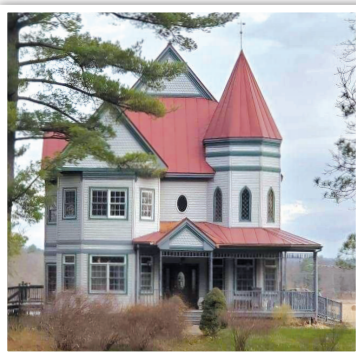


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Lutheran Church offers weekly Sunday worship.

Everyone flocks to Bagley for the Independence Day Celebration each year which includes a 5K run/walk, parade, chicken barbeque, flea market, concession stand and beer tent ran by local organizations, Cow Chip Bingo, Bean Bag Tournament, raffle, fireworks and at dusk a street dance.

The big event during the Independence Day Celebration is Thunder in the Valley, a professional bull riding event, which is a 3-peat Bullriders of America-Event of the Year. The event is full of laughs, fun and is truly for the whole family. You can also enjoy mutton busting and a half time show like wild cow milking.



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**B**elmont invites you to enjoy some of the areas finest local attractions. Belmont is located on Hwy. 151 between Platteville and Mineral Point.

## FIRST CAPITOL HISTORIC SITE

First Capitol Historic Site is located 3.5 miles northwest of Belmont on County Highway G. In the 1800s this area, the lead mining region, was so prominent that Belmont was chosen as the meeting place for the First Territorial Legislature of Wisconsin Territory. First Capitol Historic Site features two restored buildings from the 1836 legislative session. Today, the buildings house displays relating to the formation of Wisconsin Territory, the 46 day legislative session, the site's transition to private use, its rescue from destruction, and its establishment as a state historic site.

## BELMONT MOUND STATE PARK

Belmont Mound is a prominent topographical feature located three miles northwest of the Village of Belmont. Belmont, from the French 'Bell Monte', means "beautiful mountain". The Niagara Dolomite which caps this mound and the Platte Mound are the only remains of this formation that once covered the county.

Natural attractions of the park include rock formations such as "The Devils Dining Table", "Devils Chair", and "The Cave", all of which are located off the park drive on the north slope. This family park has nature, recreational and ski trails, woodland, wildlife, playground equipment, picnic area with grills and a shelter house as well as restrooms. There is an abandoned limestone quarry on the south side of the mound. Near the picnic area are remains of what probably were kilns used to heat limestone to form lime.

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**T**ravelers on Highway 35 pass through the small town of Bloomington, Wisconsin, population 735. The bluffs and river valley create a scenic drive every season of the year. Bicyclists are challenged on the hills and snowmobilers enjoy the winter trails.

Settled in the early 1800s, this village was originally called "Blake's Prairie". A flour mill and mill house, erected by D. W. Taft, were completed in 1853. The old Taft's Mill, constructed of native limestone, still stands today and currently houses a pottery shop.

Agriculture remains the principal economic base, as evidenced by the types of businesses serving area residents, including a butcher shop, equipment dealer, vet clinic, livestock sale barn, hardware store, lumber yard and building center. Many small businesses provide basic services for the people in this quiet neighbor-helping-neighbor community.

Bloomington has three specialty events each year. First, the Blakes Prairie Junior Fair, held in July which highlights the projects of area 4-H and FFA youth, The Bloomington Sidewalk Sales held in August and Christmas in Bloomington Shopping Spree which runs the 1st Thursday in December where you will shop until you drop.



**B**oscobel, offers a variety of community life experiences to residents and visitors. Historical and scenic area attractions, quality education programs, excellent economic development opportunities, and an active Chamber of Commerce blend together to create an outstanding little city in southwest Wisconsin.

Nestled along the lower Wisconsin River in northern Grant County, Boscobel has recreational activities for all ages. The swimming pool, ball diamonds, city parks, tennis courts, shelters, and boat landings are always busy. The Memorial Library offers residents an excellent collection of reading materials as well as public-access computers.

## COMMUNITY

The area churches and religious organizations serve the spiritual needs of the community.

Healthcare needs are served by the qualified staff and modern facilities of Gundersen Boscobel Area Hospital and Clinics. The many service

organizations provide valuable support to the foundation of the community.

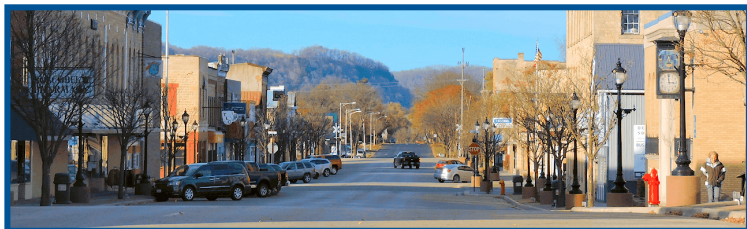
A modern Industrial Park is home to businesses that employ a workforce known for high productivity, low absenteeism, and an excellent work ethic. Boscobel businesses enjoy the advantages of the Boscobel Municipal Airport and local freight train service.

## RECREATION

The city has 10 public parks, including 30-acre Kronshage Park. The Olympic-size swimming pool, a basketball court, a volleyball court, five tennis courts, five shelters, and many picnic tables and

outdoor grills are available for public use. There is a fee to reserve use of park shelters for private affairs such as family reunions.

Kronshage Park offers Olympic size swimming pool, wading pool, baseball/softball fields, tennis courts, basketball court, sand volleyball courts, playground equipment, horseshoe pits, 3 picnic shelters (Kronshage East, Kronshage West & Larsen), restrooms (handicap accessible), numerous picnic tables and outdoor grills. Bluffview Park offers playground equipment and picnic table; Memorial Park – playground equipment, picnic



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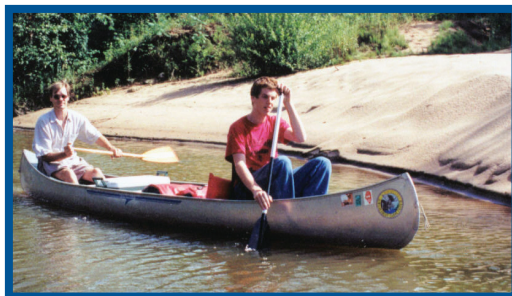
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table, horseshoe pit; Northside (Fireman's) Park – playground equipment, picnic tables, picnic shelter, outdoor grill, youth ball park/diamond; Scout Cabin Park – playground equipment, picnic tables, family ball diamond; Westside (Hinman) Park – playground equipment, picnic shelter, picnic tables, outdoor grill, restrooms (handicap accessible), family ball diamond.

One of the Wisconsin River's tributaries is the twisty and beautiful Kickapoo River with its sandstone cliffs, thought by some geologists to be the oldest river in the world! The confluence of the Kickapoo and Wisconsin Rivers is next to Wauzeka, in Crawford County.

For those that would rather stay on the road or stick to the land, most of Boscobel's streets



and highways are UTV/ATV accessible, so bring yourself into town on your recreational vehicle of choice and enjoy a day in the city.

The scenic highways and bicycle trails of the Lower Wisconsin Riverway in the ruggedly beautiful Driftless Region provide an excellent place for bicycling for families, groups of friends and organized tours.

State Highway 60 is designated by Wisconsin as one of only two Scenic Byways in the state. Wooded bluffs

soar above the road while the wild Wisconsin River follows alongside. Numerous quiet country lanes wind past idyllic pastures and lazy trout streams. You'll see sheep and dairy cows grazing the hillsides and valleys, while bald eagles and red tail hawks soar overhead. Wild turkeys and whitetail deer often can be seen along the margins of lush, forested hills.

Stop for a cold drink or a juicy burger at one of the many family-owned bar & grill establishments in the quaint villages that you'll find every six or seven miles along the route.

The Wisconsin River Trail Organization continues their construction of a paved trail for biking, walking and running with the final trail measuring 26 miles long.

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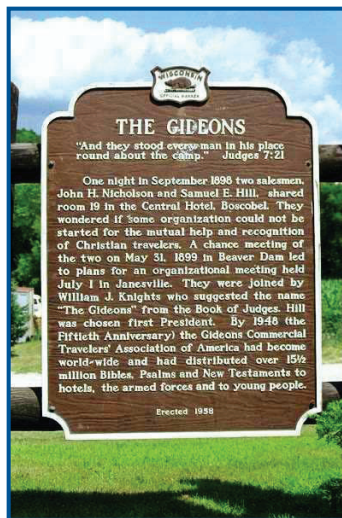
traveling salesmen shared a room and conceived the idea of a Christian travelers' association. That meeting led to the formation of the world-famous Gideon Society, which has since placed millions of Gideon Bibles in lodging facilities throughout the world.

The Old Rock School is an excellent example of turn-of-the century Romanesque revival. The building was saved from demolition through a concerted effort to preserve the city's rich architectural heritage and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Today it is home to grades K-1 and complements a rich variety of educational opportunities for area youngsters.

Since the construction of the "old depot" in 1857, the Boscobel Depot was the "heartbeat of the area." It served as the marshaling point of over 2,000 young enlisted men of the Union Army, and again in subsequent years of WWI and WWII. It also served the

area with food and industrial goods, as well as travel-through station. Included among notable people entering the city were the two traveling salesmen, Samuel E. Hill and John H. Nicholson, who began the writings of the Gideon Bible, as well as John Blaine who left the city for a 3-term governorship of Wisconsin and later adversary for President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The Boscobel Depot has recently been restored and will again serve the community as a very functional



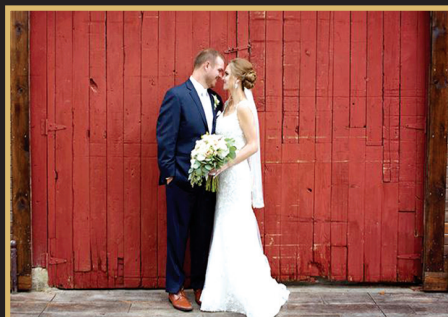
building with the conversion of its interior into a "Turn-of-the Century Railroad" and "Early Rural America walk-through museum."

A meeting hall for veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic was established after the war and it still stands today. It is considered by experts to be the only remaining G.A.R. Hall in Wisconsin, possibly in the Midwest. The Hall received State & National Registers of Historic Places designation on December 27, 2007.

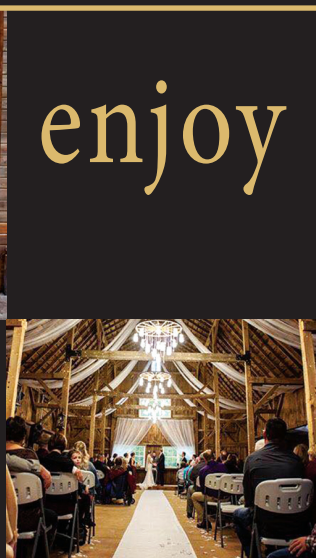
The GAR Civil War Museum is filled with mementos of the Civil War era. Pictures, old drums, flags, and even volumes of history from local veterans can be seen at the hall.

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Park from 8 a.m.-Noon every Saturday from May until the end of October. The market has lots to offer as far as meat, produce and homemade baked goods and craft items. The Boscobel Depot will be open for tours from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. also.

### SMOKE IN THE VALLEY

Like tractors? Like loud tractors? Like loud, modified tractors? Come check out Boscobel Antique Club's annual tractor pull, Smoke In The Valley. First Saturday in June. The pull will be held at the Boscobel antique club grounds, just off Hwy. 133 on Chestnut Street. Antique tractor pull starts between 8 and 10 a.m.; American Pullers at 11 a.m.; NTPA pull at 7 p.m.

### WELCOME HOME TAILGATE PARTY CHICKEN BBQ

The Wisconsin River Trail Organization holds an annual Chicken BBQ July 3 every year at the Kronshage

Park in Boscobel.

### 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Come celebrate the 4th of July in Boscobel put on by its very own volunteer fire department. You will not be disappointed and it is a day of family fun. Every year Boscobel starts the morning off with the Firecracker Fun Run/Walk. Boscobel then struts its stuff with a parade of various floats and then up to the Kronshage Park for the variety of camaraderie and fun for the whole

family. At dusk, the town takes a seat with young and old alike to watch Southwest Wisconsin's largest fireworks display. It is well worth the wait.

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were the words spoken by Colonel S. Hamilton when nominating Cassville for the Capital of the new Wisconsin Territory back in 1836.

Cassville is one of the oldest villages in the state. Established in 1827, It's been named one of the seven most charming river towns in Wisconsin. The village is rich in history, including the home site of Wisconsin's first governor, Nelson Dewey. The first recorded mention of the present site of Cassville was made by Henry Schoolcraft in 1820. But it wasn't until 1827 that signs of a real settlement appeared when John York Sawyer built a smelting furnace, and the first real house was built. We are known for our scenic road trips, endless water recreation & wooded bluffs to watch bald eagles soar above. You can fly in for a



night, a day, a weekend or a week and grab a bite to eat and a place to stay within a block. Cassville, Wisconsin is surrounded with natural beauty, and the quiet and peace of days gone by. Visitors can become part of the nostalgic past traveling back in time at the Stonefield Historic Site featuring a recreated turn-of-the-century village and the State Agricultural Museum. The Nelson Dewey State Park, and its breathtaking views offers incredible hiking, camping, and picnic



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facilities. Enjoy wildlife at its finest with perhaps a glimpse of tundra swans on the river, whitetail deer, or a Bald Eagle flying overhead.

Wisconsin was initially governed by the Northwest Ordinance of 1787 and subsequently as part of the Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan Territories. Cassville took its name from Lewis B. Cass, at one time governor of the Michigan Territory. In 1836, after surrounding territories broke away to become states, it became the new Wisconsin Territory and included all of the present-day Iowa, Minnesota and eastern Dakotas.

## MAGIC OF THE MISSISSIPPI

Travel here by scenic country roads, bike, car ferry, boat or airplane. River recreation beckons all. Fishermen find their year-round catch whether



on the Mississippi or picturesque backwaters. Riverside Park, located along the banks of the Big River, offers shelters, picnic and play areas, and a picture-perfect view of passing tugboats, pleasure boats, and perhaps an old-fashioned paddle wheeler.

Boaters can find launching and docking facilities near the park to enjoy a day on the majestic Mississippi. Riverside Park is within walking distance of downtown Cassville with its shops and eateries.

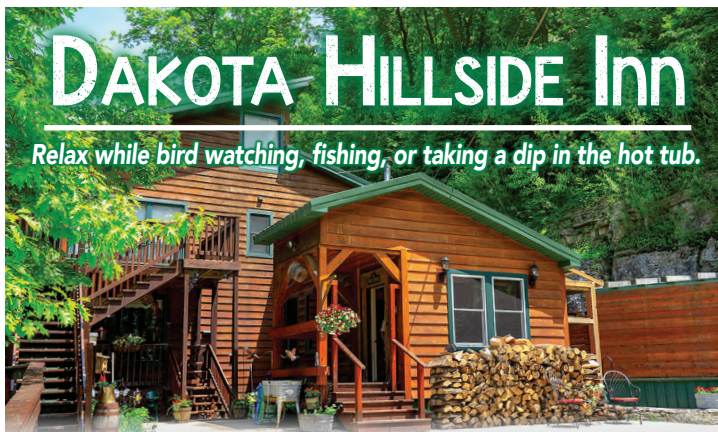
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Ferry and visualize a twenty-three-year-old Nelson Dewey and his first trip across the Mississippi to reach the little village that was envisioned to become the first capital of the Wisconsin territory. The ferry served the early settlement as far back as 1836 and was powered by horses working on a treadmill, and though horses have been replaced, it continues today making that same trip back and forth across the mighty Mississippi. "Looping the Loop" was fashionable in the 20's when cars were a novelty. People of the area would cross the river via the ferry, then travel to Dubuque, IA., then cross back to the Wisconsin side for their return home. Today, it is still a fun way to cross the Mississippi.

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Come take a beautiful walk along the Mississippi River in Cassville. You can walk along our parks on the riverfront on our 1800 feet of river walk which is continuing to expand each year.

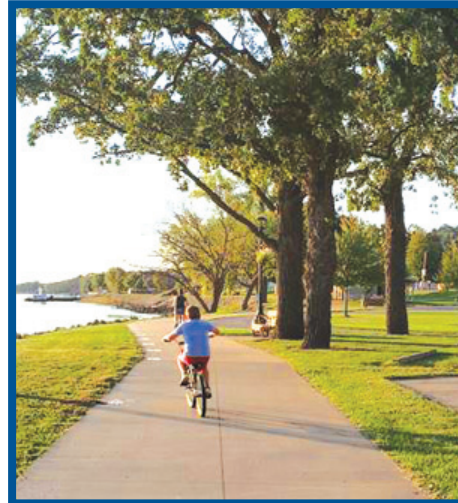
### STONEFIELD VILLAGE

Explore Wisconsin's roots at Stonefield Historic Site! Journey by way of the Great River Road to become part of Wisconsin's rural life and agricultural history through a 1901 farmstead and village, the State Agricultural Museum, and home site of Wisconsin's first governor, Nelson Dewey. Stroll through the streets of the Stonefield village and tour the shops, school, and church. Make sure to stop in the confectionary for a sweet ice cream treat. See how Wisconsin became the dairy state instead of the wheat state in the State Agri-

cultural Museum, home to the oldest tractor in North America. Head to higher ground to discover the unique Gothic revival style home site of Governor Nelson Dewey, and the impact he had on the formation of Wisconsin. Enjoy the bluff views of the Mississippi from the same vantage point the Dewey family once did.

Don't miss our special event days full of hands-on activities, speakers, food, tours, and more! Celebrate June Dairy Month with Agriculture Appreciation Day. Learn not only about dairy, but also the diverse agricultural landscape of Wisconsin today, from speakers, cooking on the woodstove, making butter, wagon rides, and an implement show among other activities. Get a feel of an historic fall with the Great River Road Festival in September. Hang out by the Mississippi to help to make sorghum, try your hand at broom making, take in the fall atmosphere on a wagon ride, and watch a tractor pull. Finally, prepared to be spooked in our transformed village during Safe & Spooky Halloween. Wear your scariest costume and trick-or-treat around the "haunted" village!

Stonefield Historic Site is owned and operated by the Wisconsin Historical Society. It is open Thursday – Sunday, June 1 through September 30. [www.stonefield.wisconsinhistory.org](http://www.stonefield.wisconsinhistory.org)



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The site of Darlington was first claimed in 1836 by Jameson Hamilton. In the spring of 1850, J.M. Keep and J.B. Lynde, the latter an agent of Joshua Darling of New York, purchased the land. The money used for the purchase was furnished by Mr. Darling, the reason his name was used in the selection of a title for the village.

The original plat of the village was registered on July 25, 1850. It contained 35 blocks of eight lots each. The streets of the original plat were named for the wives of the originators and remain today. They are Louisa, Catherine, Ann, Mary, Cornelia, Lucy and Minerva.

Darlington became a village in 1865 and was incorporated as a city in 1877.

The city of Darlington has many beautiful historic buildings, including but not limited to, its Main Street. Darlington's Nationally Registered Historic Downtown is now the focal point for Darlington's Main Street



Murphy, an attorney from New Diggings, donated the proceeds from a civil War widows and disabled victims fund that were never used along with a percentage of his own personal estate. Shortly after Murphy's death in 1905, the courthouse was erected at a cost of \$136,500.

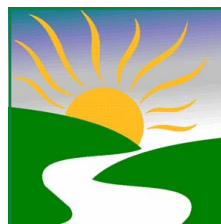
Visitors to Darlington should take an hour or so to see the beautiful rotunda and then stroll over to the Carnegie Free Library which now

houses the Lafayette County Historical Society.

In 1904, Andrew Carnegie gave a grant of \$10,000 to the city of Darlington to build a library on a picturesque spot in the city park. Next door you'll find the Johnson Public Library, built in 2000, with funds donated by Ervin W. Johnson and additional money raised by the community. Johnson, a Darlington attorney, gave over \$1 million to the project.

Also in the city park, you'll see Civil War Monument erected in 1889 to honor all Lafayette County men who served in the Civil War.

Whether you want to relax and watch the world go by at a campsite on the Pecatonica River, research your family tree, shop the distinctive shops on our historic Main Street, get some great Wisconsin cheese, fish or soak in some rays at nearby Yellowstone Lake or cruise along the ATV recreational trail in any of three directions, you can



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## Exploring DARLINGTON

do it all in Darlington, a short distance from nearby Galena, Ill., Dubuque, Iowa, and other southwest Wisconsin tourist destinations.

Canoers enjoy the quiet, relaxing and enjoyable surroundings that the scenery of the Pecatonica River has to offer as you drift on through this body of water. Darlington offers canoeists three convenient locations for putting in and taking out. Landings are also located in and near Blanchardville, Argyle, Black Hawk Memorial Park in Woodford, South Wayne and Gratiot. The Pecatonica River's east and west branches provide tranquil floats through woods, prairie, dairy farms, bluffs and rock outcroppings.

Nothing goes better with canoeing than camping and fishing, and Darlington's Pecatonica River Trails Park is a great place for both. Yellowstone Lake State Park near Blanchardville offers over 150 camping units with picnic sites, hiking, fishing, hunting and an array of water sports opportunities.

Darlington is the heart of the Cheese Country Recreation Trail. The 47 miles of trail link Darlington with the communities of Monroe, South Wayne, Gratiot, Calamine and Mineral Point. The trail is open to bikes, horses, ATVs, snowmobiles, walkers and cross-country skiers. Park in one of Darlington's convenient lots adjacent to the trail and then follow the abandoned rail corridor as it meanders through oak and maple woodlots, sloughs, dairy farms and colorful rides. You can enjoy the trail throughout the year. Multi-colored, gorgeous stands of native prairie wildflowers bloom along the trail through October. Because the railroad protected its property from the plow, these plants are the same ones that inhabited southwest Wisconsin when the first settlers arrived.

The Pecatonica River State Recreation Trail connects Belmont to the Cheese Country Trail at Calamine. This trail is open to bikers, hikers and snowmobilers only.

## Exploring DICKEYVILLE

**T**he Village of Dickeyville began in 1842 when Charles Dickey, a surveyor from Pennsylvania, opened a general store in what is the center of the village today. The 30-year-old Dickey established a dry goods store which also sold groceries, boots, shoes, clothing and farm machinery. That first building sat on farm land, where Muller's Restaurant used to be.

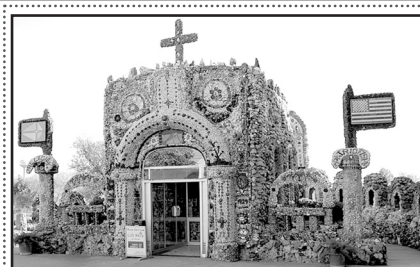
Dickey owned that store for 19 years and during that time he surveyed Grant County. The village was named for him. The small community was called "Dickeysville" in 1849 and the "s" remained in the town's name until 1932 when it was shortened to fit on maps. Dickey got "western fever" in 1861 and moved to Kansas. He never returned to the village before he died in 1902.

Dickeyville is a small, friendly town, located in the rolling hills in the heart of America's dairy land approximately ten miles from Dubuque, IA and Platteville, WI where a lot of the villagers commute to work. There are two community parks which feature; softball fields, horseshoe pitch, tennis courts, playground equipment and covered pavilions. Softball and Horseshoe leagues are available in the Summer and Fall. Need some ice, pop or snacks? Stop in at the local grocery store, meat store or local gas stations. Eating is never out of reach with three different eating establishments.

### GROTTO

Today, Dickeyville is the home of the famous Dickeyville Grotto and shrines, built by Father Matthias Werneus, a Catholic priest, pastor of the parish from 1918 to 1931. There are several shrines in the grotto garden. In addition to the main shrine which houses the grotto of the Blessed Virgin, there is a patriotic shrine, the sacramental shrine of the Holy Eucharist, the Sacred Heart Shrine, Christ and Kind Shrine and the Stations of the Cross.

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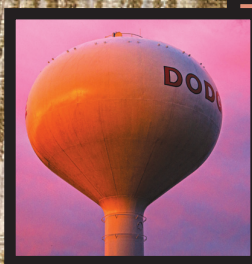
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## Local Events CALENDAR

**MAY - OCTOBER** – Dodgeville Farmers Market, Saturdays 8 AM - Noon

**MONDAY, MAY 30TH** – Dodgeville Memorial Day Parade

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH** – Iowa County Dairy Breakfast, Kyle & Amy Beth Levetzow Model Dairy Farm

**SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH** – Dodgeville Lions Club Antique Flea Market, Ley Memorial Pavilion - Harris Park 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

**THURSDAY, JUNE 16TH** – Dodgeville Lions Club Golf Outing

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25TH** – Upland Hills Health Family Fun Day and Fun Run/Walk, Harris Park - 8 AM Registration

**SATURDAY, JULY 9TH** – Upland Hills Health Foundation Sip & Savor, Ley Memorial Pavilion - Harris Park, 5 PM - Fireworks

**SUNDAY, JULY 10TH** – Farmers Appreciation Day Parade

**SUNDAY, JULY 10TH - SUNDAY, JULY 24TH** – \*Town Square, Downtown Dodgeville

**FRIDAY, JULY 22ND** – \*Dodgeville/Mineral Point Chamber Golf Outing

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 27TH - MONDAY, AUGUST 1ST** – Lands' End Warehouse Sale, Ley Memorial Pavilion - Harris Park

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH** – \*DodgeFest, Downtown Dodgeville – Music, Motors & More!

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 18TH** – Dodgeville Kiwanis Club Chicken Barbeque, Ley Memorial Pavilion - Harris Park

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH** – Dodgeville Lions Club Antique Flea Market, Ley Memorial Pavilion - Harris Park 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH** – Iowa County Fair, Mineral Point

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH** – Dodgeville Area Scholarship Foundation, Inc. (DASFI) Golf Outing

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH** – \*Off the Vine Wine Walk

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH** – Southwest Wisconsin Fall Art Tour

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH** – Dodgeville Brush Pickup Day

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH** – \*Trunk or Treat Halloween Block Party

**\*SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH** – \*Small Business Saturday & Home for the Holidays

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**Y**ou're invited to explore Dodgeville, the city, "At the Heart of it All". This very scenic community was founded in 1827 by Henry Dodge. Dodgeville is one of the state's unglaciated, driftless areas which contains many rolling hills, wooded valleys and great sandstone bluffs which overlook the many area sites and attractions. This town was designated Tree City U.S.A. in 1993 and the streets are lined with trees and a variety of other greenery to welcome visitors to this very historic and serene community. Come visit Dodgeville and its surroundings, you will be glad you did.

The following are a few local highlighted tourist attractions that bring many visitors to Dodgeville each year.

### WISCONSIN'S OLDEST COURTHOUSE

Located in Dodgeville's Historic downtown, the foundation was laid in 1859 making it the state's oldest active courthouse. A marker detailing the historic structure can be seen on site.

### LANDS'END

Since 1978, corporate headquarters have been located in Dodgeville. This company has since grown to become one of the leading direct merchants of quality clothing, luggage and home furnishings. Enjoy a visit to the local outlet store.

### HOUSE ON THE ROCK

Wisconsin's large attraction is located just eight miles north of Dodgeville. The actual house itself, built atop a 60-foot column of rock, is the original structure of the now 40-acre complex of display, exhibits and gardens. When visiting this unique site, you'll see the world's



largest carousel which includes over 20,000 lights and 269 hand-crafted animals. The surprise? With that many animals, not a single one is a horse! Many other spectacular collections and unique items are on display as well. Located nearby is The House On The Rock Resort. Enjoy a stay with golfing, indoor and outdoor pools and a spa.

### FOLKLORE VILLAGE

Imagine the smell of freshly pressed apple cider or the sounds of old-time fiddle and accordion music... Since 1967, thousands of people have come to Folklore Village Farm to take part in its beauty, fellowship and fun. Surrounded by the gently rolling farmland of Iowa County, Folklore Village is a unique, rural folk-life center. A broad range of culture and recreational programs are designated for people of all ages.

You, too, can celebrate time-honored traditions at Folklore Village. Call today for information and a calendar of events. Located just six miles east of Dodgeville, just off of Hwy. 18/151, on County Hwy. BB.

### MUCH MORE

Vacationing in the Dodgeville area is a real pleasure in any season. Enjoy the

abundant natural resources which include State Parks, State Trails, and the Southwestern Wisconsin attractions and the Southwestern Wisconsin lodging in the driftless region.

Enjoy Dodgeville's events such as the Summer Concert Series, Dodgefest, Off The Vine, The Fall Art Tour and Wisconsin Grilled Cheese Championship, Halloween Block Party, and Home for the Holidays.

Governor Dodge State Park offers more than 5,200 acres of beauty. Hills, bluffs, valleys, two lakes and a waterfall, all are included in this visitors paradise. Camping, fishing, biking, picnicing and swimming make this an area favorite.

In a 60-mile radius of Dodgeville you will encounter everything from the historical to hysterical. Located smack in the heart of the Southwestern Wisconsin "Uplands" the Dodgeville area has a history so vivid you can almost touch it, and it is a day-tripper's paradise.

This very scenic drive will quickly reveal why the area is known as the "Uplands." Those considering the Dodgeville area as a destination can



prepare for their trip with a visit to <http://www.dodgeville.com/> prior to the trip. Once in the area traveler's can use the Dodgeville Area Chamber of Commerce Welcome Center as the perfect base for their day-trips.



**T**he National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium has a full summer of fun planned.

**FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES:** The River Museum will welcome *Forever Forest: Live, Work, Play* from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend 2022. This children's exhibit demonstrates the connection between our lives and forests. Containing hands-on activities focused on forest life and sustainable harvesting; lumber transportation with a realistic kid-sized replica of a Union Pacific engine and mini grapple skidders that children operate; a tree-top climber; and a mini home under construction in which children can help finish by adding siding, molding and other details. *Forever Forest* is included with general admission.

**FOR ADULTS AND FAMILIES:**

Thomas D. Mangelsen's *A Life in the Wild* continues its exhibit run all summer long with 20 amazing images of wildlife and nature's beauty. Included with general admission, Mangelsen's photography spans decades of his life in the field. Hailed by recent visitors as the best photography exhibit they'd seen, *A Life in the Wild* is a can't miss opportunity.

**FOR ALL AGES:** The first Thursday of June, July and August, the River Museum will host Taste of Summer, an outdoor food and music experience located in the boatyard and plaza of the



organization's campus. Four to five food vendors will sell their specialties from 5-9 p.m. Cold beer, seltzers, pop and water will also be available for sale. One to two bands will take the stage from 6-9 p.m. each evening. A suggested donation of \$5 per at-

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## Exploring DUBUQUE, IA

tendee will benefit the animals and artifacts in the River Museum's care. Plan your visit and learn more about daily activities in our MakerSpace, creature features, history highlights, and demonstrations at RiverMuseum.com.

The city of Dubuque was named after Julien Dubuque, a French-Canadian fur trader who received permission in 1788 from the Fox Indians to work the lead mines around the present day city.

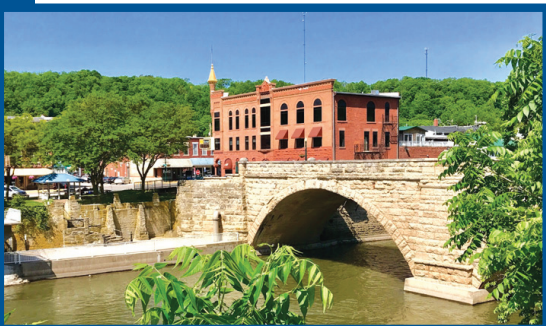
Julien was the first permanent white settler in Iowa and was greatly respected by the Indians. When he died in 1810, he was buried with honors befitting a chief. A large limestone monument overlooking the Mississippi displays his grave just off Grandview and Julien Dubuque Drive.

However, after Dubuque's death in 1810, other settlers met with trouble in their attempts to mine lead where the present-day city lies. It wasn't until 1833 under the terms of the Black Hawk treaty, that settlement was allowed.

Dubuque grew rapidly into a thriving river city, and a survey was made by the U.S. government for a town site. The site was laid on the river plain, and today, the city covers an area of more than 25 square miles.

## Exploring ELKADER, IA

**W**elcome to Elkader, IA! Located in Clayton County the community was founded in 1846. Founders Timothy Davis, John Thompson and Chester Sage named it for a young Algerian freedom fighter from Algeria. The town contains the largest stone arch bridge west of the Mississippi River. The bridge, located over the Turkey River, was made of local sandstone as were many of the towns buildings.



When exploring Elkader enjoy the scenic view of the valleys, hills and bluffs. The city is home to a Great American Main Street with many small businesses and lodging is available with bed

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### ATTRACTIONS CARR VALLEY CHEESE

Carr Valley Cheese is a fourth-generation company that makes over one hundred varieties of award-winning cheeses. Visitors from all over the world stop by the Retail Store at Carr Valley which also features a variety of locally produced items such as sausage, cheese curds, maple syrup, wine, jam, soup mixes, and gifts along with Chocolate Shoppe ice cream. Make sure to snap a photo with Igor, he's a Fennimore icon.

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The Fennimore Doll & Toy Museum showcases collectible dolls and toys from around the world. The museum incorporates heirloom dolls and toys which are both owned and on loan to the museum. The Fennimore Doll & Toy Museum is located at 1135 6th Street and just a short walk from the Fennimore Historical Railroad Society Museum. Please call 608-822-4100 for current hours or to make special tour arrangements.

### FENNIMORE HISTORICAL RAILROAD MUSEUM

The Fennimore Historical Railroad Museum, home of the "Dinky," resembles a turn-of-the-century depot. Your kids will love to take a ride on the miniature train for just \$1. The replica loading platform was built with sand and brick, just the way it was originally built, using brick from the original depot. The museum also showcases an excellent collection of antique farm tools and equipment, military uniforms and war memorabilia, and home appliances and tools from the 1900 era. Please call 608-822-6144 in advance for current hours or to make special tour arrangements.

### MEMORIAL PARK

Memorial Park is home of the Veterans Memorial which honors all service men and women who have served in the U.S. military. Stop by to enjoy a picnic lunch or some fresh air at the tables and park benches.



### RECREATION OAKWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

Fennimore's Oakwood Community Park offers outdoor recreation for everyone including ballparks, playground equipment, the Fennimore Dog Park, Oakwood Nature Park, and our Disc Golf Course. The Park is also home to Fennimore's Lights in the Park holiday light display throughout the month of December.

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#### FLY FISHING

Southwest Wisconsin trout streams are among the most popular trout streams in the United States. Located within the driftless region, an iconic area in the trout fishing world, these trout streams are just minutes outside of Fennimore in any direction, including Castle Rock Creek, Big Green River, the Blue River, and the Little Grant. The accessibility of the water, the potential to catch trophy trout, public easements along most streams, and the scenic beauty of the area contribute to the reputation as a trout resource. Fennimore is an area of timeless beauty with the perfect blend of valleys with trout waters that transcend time and beckon the call of the angler.

#### ATV/UTV TRAILS

Fennimore is an ATV/UTV friendly community and ATV/UTV's are welcome on most streets throughout the city, with the exception of major highways. As you drive through town on a beautiful day, you will see many people out enjoying a ride on their ATV or UTV.

#### SNOWMOBILE TRAILS

Grant County offers 370 miles of public funded snowmobile trails through

Fennimore and surrounding communities. Snowmobilers are welcome to gather at local dining establishments.

#### BIKING

Bring your bikes and take a trek on the official Dinky Bike Route between Fennimore and Woodman. Historic markers are placed along the rural roadway to help riders better understand the terrain, settlements and the people that helped discover this beautiful part of the country. The 15-mile route begins at the marker located at the Fennimore Railroad Historical Society Museum, located at 610 Lincoln Avenue. You then travel north on Hwy 61 to Green River Road, then west on County Hwy K to Hwy 133 to Woodman. There are very few bike routes in the state of Wisconsin that carry as much history as the Dinky Trail route. Wisconsin's longest running narrow gauge railroad ran from Fennimore to Woodman from 1878 to 1926. The rails were removed, and the land was deeded back to the surrounding landowners. The Dinky Bike Route follows the public roads closest to the old railroad line.

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Visitors and Galenians alike – some of whom trace their ancestry back to lead miners, steamboat captains, and early farmers –

appreciate in common the bounty of Galena: the living history that bricks and mortar and time can speak, the warmth of a people who left the hurry behind and the beauty of the land the Ice Age missed.

This quaint community is vast with visitor appeal. Wineries, restaurants, galleries and shops galore are tourist

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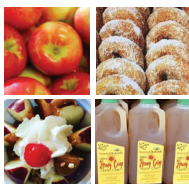
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# Exploring GAYS MILLS

**G**ays Mills is a small community north east of Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, located at the junction of Highways 171 and 131 and adjacent to the Kickapoo River. The history of the town's name goes back to 1847, when James B. Gay, a civil engineer and a native of Indiana traveled to the then unsettled Kickapoo Valley. Impressed with acres of untouched forest and a river with a good rock bottom he built a dam and a saw mill which proved to be a flourishing success. Because of failing health, James persuaded his brothers John and Thomas to come to the valley and help him in the business. In 1865 many families moved to this community, which by mutual consent bore the name of Gays Mills in honor of the founder and his brothers.

Also historically linked with Gays Mills are still flourishing apple orchards which first received recognition by winning first place at a national apple show in New York in 1905.

Today several orchards remain to carry on the horticultural tradition, with new plantings of apples, cherries, grapes, Christmas trees, pumpkins, strawberries and raspberries. Orchard salesrooms offer these products, along with their own baked goods, other Wisconsin products such as cheese, sausage, jams, jellies, maple syrup, sorghum, popcorn, syrups, mustards, and more.



# Exploring

# HIGHLAND

**C**ome explore Highland! Founded in 1873 by Elihu Goodsell who was a farmer, miner and local politician. Highland offers beautiful rolling hills and vibrant scenery to all area travelers. Many travelers enjoy visiting Blackhawk Lake Recreation Area which has a 220 acre lake. The total area is 2,000 acres of camping, fishing, picnic areas, swimming and boating. The village itself has local small businesses, parks, baseball fields and shelter facilities. While exploring enjoy a visit to the local Spurgeon Winery. Open daily they offer free samples and many events though out the year.

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# Exploring LANCASTER

**L**ancaster, situated atop a ridge in the Driftless Region, is located on fertile uplands surrounded by wooded valleys and striking rock bluffs. Lancaster is home to the Grant County Fair, one of the oldest in the state, and enjoys community events that draw visitors year-round.

Lancaster is well known for its historic courthouse square which features the magnificent Grant County Courthouse. A stroll a-round the Courthouse Square in Lancaster can carry the visitor to an earlier time in Wisconsin history. The most striking feature of the square is the Courthouse itself, which boasts a glass and copper dome patterned after St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. The dome can be seen from miles around and is iconic to Lancaster's image. Inside, the rotunda and murals are striking examples of public building architecture. The grounds of the courthouse contain statues and monuments attesting to the rich history of the area. In fact, the square is the site of the first publicly conceived Civil War monument in the United States. The square is also home to one of just two known Blue Boy Statues representing the Union Soldiers of the Civil War.

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# Exploring

# LANCASTER



and is a classic example of prairie - style architecture made popular in the early 1900's. Today the city hall houses the restored community movie theatre as well as the municipal offices.

Located just off the square is the Cunningham Museum, as a showcase

of Grant County's vibrant past. The Museum is named after Dr. and Mrs. Wilson Cunningham, who donated their home to found the museum. The museum features a medical exhibit with artifacts donated from Dr. Cunningham's office. It also holds

square are classic examples of turn of the century architecture indigenous to this part of Wisconsin. From modern fashion, to fantastic gifts, to locally made foods, these shops give you a taste of life in Lancaster today.

Lancaster City Hall is listed on the National Register of Historic Places

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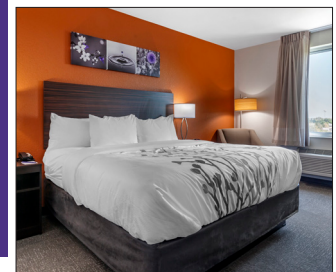
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artifacts from all periods of Grant County's storied history including a wealth of information on the area's first African American settlement, Pleasant Ridge, just southwest of Lancaster. The Museum has just recently expanded and has even more room to display Grant County's rich history.

Visitors can stroll through one of our many well-manicured parks, play a round of golf at our beautiful 18 hole golf course, or take a walking tour of our neighborhoods full of historic homes ranging from Frank Lloyd Wright to Queen Anne architecture. Lancaster is also proud of their new

public pool available to enjoy throughout the summer months.

One of Lancaster's must sees is Vesperman Farms located just south of town. Vesperman farms has been around since 1900, the farm has passed down through the family. Now a registered Century Farm and in the hands of its fifth-generation owner the farm is now a destination for weddings, picking strawberries & pumpkins, making donuts, ice cream and fall fun. It's become a destination for families and friends to come together and celebrate great moments.

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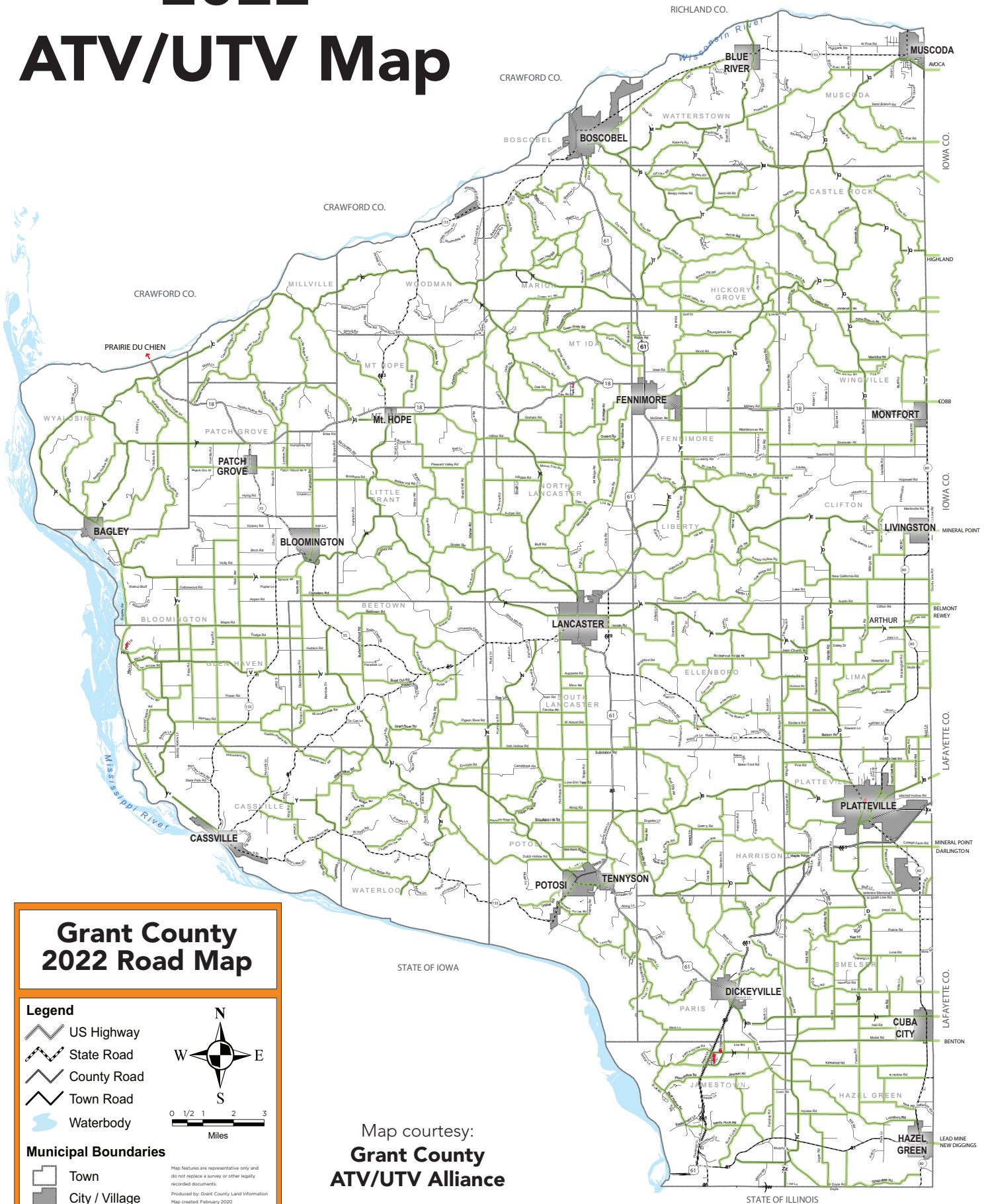








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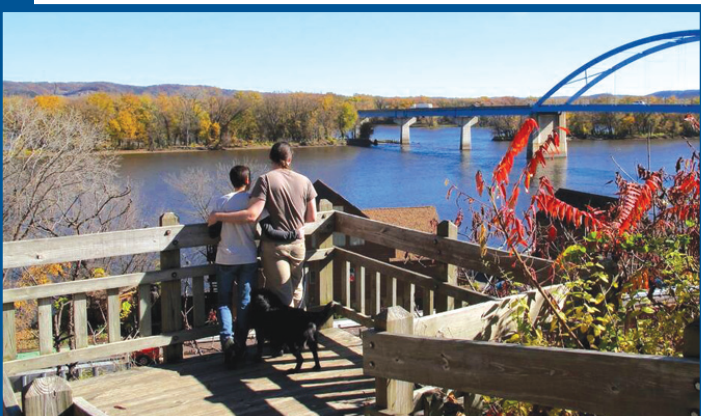




# Exploring MARQUETTE, IA

**M**arquette, IA wants you to explore “Life on the River”. Names after missionary Jacques Marquette who discovered the Mississippi River southeast of the town in 1673 with Louis Joliet. Located right next to Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin via US 18 with the Marquette-Joliet bridge. Many antique shops, a winery, riverboat cruises and a casino are all available to explore.

Local attraction Effigy Mounds, a national monument, is location north of town on The Great River Road. These mounds of earth were built for



burial purposes in the shapes of birds, bear, deer, bison, other animals and spirits. There are lots of American Indian legends and mythology surrounding this site. A great exploration for people of all ages.

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Today, Mineral Point is a place where makers and dreamers have been molding a creative community for decades. There are potters and painters, weavers and woodworkers, print makers and pizza makers, glass artists and jewelry makers, sculptors and music makers, photographers and farmers and award winning cheese makers (because this is Wisconsin!) Come visit and spend time with artists in their galleries or studios. Stay a little longer and take a class at Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts to nurture your creative side.



Historic buildings are treasured here and many have been re-birthed to accommodate new uses while preserving our architectural heritage. Stroll downtown or take a drive around town to soak in the charm of 19<sup>th</sup> century architecture that was crafted by early residents and restored by

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#### SHAKE RAG ALLEY

Shake Rag Alley located in Mineral Point has a wide array of activities. The nine buildings include a wide array of workshops, performing arts, and historic paths of gardens and trees. Classes are available year round and summer classes happen under trees or tents. Alley Stage, located on Shake Rag Alley, offers original plays on an outdoor stage.

#### GUNDRY HOUSE MUSEUM

The Mineral Point Historical Society maintains the Gundry House Museum to preserve Mineral Point's

history and to display the Gundry House in its Victorian-era splendor. The Gundry House Museum is an impressive example of an Italianate-style home that is built of finely crafted local sandstone. Joseph and Sarah Gundry came in the 1840's from Cornwall, England, and built their home in 1868. Their estate was known as "Orchard Lawn" due to its large apple orchard, pasture and gardens. Gundry was a partner with John Gray in the dry goods business of "Gundry and Gray". Their store was widely known for its extensive stock of clothing and house wares. After the last of the local family members passed away in the 1930's, the Mineral Point Historical Society was formed to acquire the house and use it to interpret the Gundry's place in the local history.

The Gundry House Museum has period rooms as they would have appeared during the late 1800's and

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The collection got its start in 1981 with a large donation of materials from Robert Neal, who along with Edgar Hellum restored the Pendarvis Complex. His donation included 400 books, many maps, photographs, local newspaper files, letters and other written documents, all relating to the Mineral Point area.

These materials formed the nucleus of the Mineral Point Room collection, which has been increasing in size and depth steadily ever since with donations of materials from individual donors.

# Exploring

# MONTFORT

**M**ontfort is located just north of Livingston on Highway 80. This small town is big on community spirit and contains a lot of history. Visitors enjoy a quiet relaxing atmosphere in a rural setting. Wild animals such as deer, wild turkey, birds, and other game are plentiful in the area. Any outdoorsman would love the area's surrounding sites to camp and fish. On your tours of southwest Wisconsin make sure to mark Montfort on your list of places to see.

It was in August of 1827 that Richard H. Palmer, following the Indian trail, stopped in the ravine which is now known as Main Street. Tossing his pack on the ground, Dick Palmer entered the ravine and commenced parting the high grasses in his effort to locate fresh water. Following the stream up the ravine, he soon discovered a beautiful spring on the lot.


East of Montfort along Highway 18 sits the Montfort Wind Farm. Twenty massive wind turbines stretch along the highway from Montfort to Cobb. Developed by FPL Energy and Enron Wind, the turbines generate 52,000 MW hours of power per year. Based on the U.S. average fuel mix, the 1.5 MW wind turbines can be expected to annually offset approximately 81 million pounds of carbon dioxide (greenhouse gas), 420,000 pounds of sulfur dioxide (major cause of acid rain), and 260,000 pounds of nitrogen oxides. The Montfort Wind Farm is Wisconsin's largest wind energy facility.

To kick off Summer in Montfort the Montfort VFW post 9298 has their annual Big Days the first weekend of June. This fabulous weekend event includes softball games, volleyball games, a walk run, a BBQ Contest, the Red Bandana Run, concession stand along with brats, burgers and music at

the beer tent, not to mention the best BBQ Chicken dinner and parade on Sunday. It is a wonderful community event and continues to grow each year. A perfect way to honor our Veterans.

The Montfort Fire Department has their Ultimate Raffle every April which is another great way to bring the community together and raise money for our wonderful fire department.


Montfort also offers great food and fun at the local bars and restaurants, a great grocery store and many other businesses makes this little town the perfect place to visit, along with the beautiful pool, park and library downtown. You will always find friendly folks in Montfort.



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Muscoda, which means "Prairie

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west end of the Victoria Riverside Park. Morel mushroom fever strikes

Wisconsin every spring. In 1982, Muscoda acquired the title of "Wisconsin's Morel Capital." It is so extreme you'd think there was gold in them hills. Muscoda, is located in the heart of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway following the graceful curves of the Wisconsin River. The Morel Mushroom Festival is held annually the weekend following Mother's Day with activities for the whole family. It's the perfect day trip and opportunity to join thousands of morel maniacs from around the region as they come to buy morel mushrooms.

Muscoda, is also widely recognized as being the home of renowned metal sculptor Ellis Nelson, whose works produced at his shop in Muscoda for several years have garnered worldwide recognition and publicity. He was featured on "Good Morning America" and on CNN. In 2013 his son, Tom Nelson, took over the business.

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# PLATTEVILLE

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The exhibit galleries include the historical one-man collection of Rollo Jamison, who was born in nearby Beetown in 1899 and started collecting



arrowheads on the family farm as a boy. His life-long interest in the objects used by pioneering people in their everyday lives grew to a collection of over 20,000 items of regional significance. Museum exhibits take you back to the

turn of the century with exhibits of carriages, farm implements, tools, a general store, a kitchen and parlor, musical instruments and much more.

A guided Mine Tour includes a walk down 90 stairs into the underground Bevans Mine, an 1845 mine that produced over 2 million pounds of lead ore in one year. It also includes a visit to the headframe building, where you can see how ore was hoisted

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The Rev. Mitchell was a soldier during the American Revolutionary War under General Washington and present during the surrender of Cornwallis in Yourktown. Historians consider the cottage a "gem like no other in Wisconsin" with its two-foot-thick walls of dolomite Galena limestone.

Rev. Mitchell was the father-in-law of Major John Rountree, one of the founders of Platteville.

Major Rountree superintended the building of the house for the Rev. Mitchell, who had moved to Platteville



in 1837. Mitchell lived there until his wife's death in 1842. He died in 1855 in Missouri, and his remains lie buried in Platteville at the Hillside Cemetery. Major Rountree eventually bought the house.

The house has some unusual features. Among them are that each room contains a real fireplace. There is no kitchen.

This was located some fifty feet away from the house in a separate building. The dining room wing and the kitchen were connected with a covered walk.

Servants carried food back and forth from the isolated kitchen to the house. The food was brought up to the opening (with a slide) in the wall of the dining room. Here many hands grabbed the food containers and served the master's family and guests.

Visitors may tour the Stone Cottage from May through October and select dates throughout the year. To verify open dates and times call the Platteville Area Chamber of Commerce at (608)348-8888.



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To get to the "M", drive on Hwy. 151 exit 19 and go east one mile on County Rd. XX, then turn left (north) onto West Mound Road, which leads directly to the landmark. 266 newly constructed steps and several rest areas are provided for your "climb" to the top, but the view from the mound is worth it. Farmland as well as a birds-eye view



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**Local Trails:** David Canny Rountree Branch Trail,

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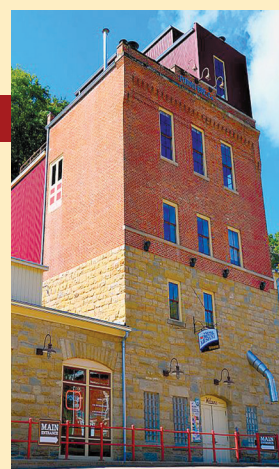
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The Pine River winds through valleys, under a natural bridge, and boasts scenic views of bluffs and lowlands as it meanders south to the Wisconsin River. The lower Wisconsin River is large, relatively

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For bicycling enthusiasts, the Pine River Recreation Trail stretches 15.8 miles from Richland Center to Lone Rock. In the City of Richland Center, the trail is located on top of the Pine River dike and has an asphalt surface. In the county the trail is located on an abandoned railroad bed and is constructed of well-compacted pea gravel. The trail is well maintained by County and City Park departments and parallels the Pine River. It's open year-round and is a favorite of hikers and bikers,



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as well as snowmobile riders in winter. You can also hike on trails located behind the UW Platteville-Richland campus.

Richland Center has numerous public parks, with Krouskop Park being the largest. Its features include a community-senior center, gazebo and newly constructed state-of-the-art aquatic center.

Other nearby parks include Pier Natural Bridge Park, located along Hwy. 80 North, at Rockbridge in Richland County. The park obtains its name from the Pier family, who donated the land to Richland County to preserve the site as a park. The site has a very unusual geological feature – a half-mile long “finger” of blocked and layered sandstone rising nearly 60 feet above the flood plain of two merging valleys. This narrow finger is topped by tall pines and covered with green shrubs. The



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West Branch of the Pine River meets with the Main Branch underneath this rock formation, which forms a Natural Bridge. Ash Creek Community Forest is Richland County's largest park at 354 acres. It is located two miles south of Richland Center on State Highway 80. Ash Creek, a Class One brook trout stream, runs through the middle of this recreational property. Fishing regulations are governed by the Department of Natural Resources. The Community Forest allows public hunting in season. There are four miles of primitive hiking, biking, and horseback riding trails. No unauthorized, motorized vehicles are allowed in the forest. The site does not allow camping or fires of any sort. There are two parking lots with a capacity of fifteen vehicles each.



Not very far from Richland Center is Eagle Cave, 16320 Cavern Lane, Blue River (608-537-2988), which is open 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Memorial Day through Labor Day. Wisconsin's largest onyx cave offers camping, fishing, canoeing and hiking, as well as an in-cave exploratory program. Eagle Cave has over 3,000 feet of passage, featuring four main walking levels and four levels of subterranean tunnels.

Give your taste buds a treat with a visit to Wild Hills Winery or Oakwood Fruit Farm.

Wild Hills Winery, 30940 Oakridge Drive, Muscoda (608-647-6600), is located on an 80-acre parcel. Tram tours take guests around the site every Saturday, Sunday and summer holiday. Reservations are requested. Guests will visit acres of orchard trees consisting of apples, peaches, Asian pears and cherries. After touring the land, guests

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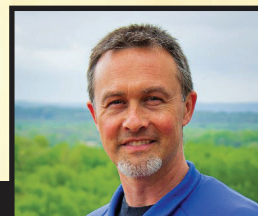
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can stop by the Winery for wine tasting and souvenir shopping.

Oakwood Fruit Farm, 31128 Apple Ridge Road, (608-585-2701), sits among the ridges and coulees directly east of Richland Center. The on-site shop is open from August 18 until the apples are sold out in December.

Take in a movie at one of Wisconsin's few remaining outdoor movie theaters, Starlite 14, located on US Hwy. 14 East in Richland Center (608-647-3669). Under new ownership, in addition to movies shown on weekend nights, the drive-in is also a venue for other entertainment, including concerts and car shows.

June brings a whirlwind of activities, including the Wisconsin High School Rodeo State Finals; June Dairy Days and Rodeo Parade; and the Richland County Dairy Breakfast.

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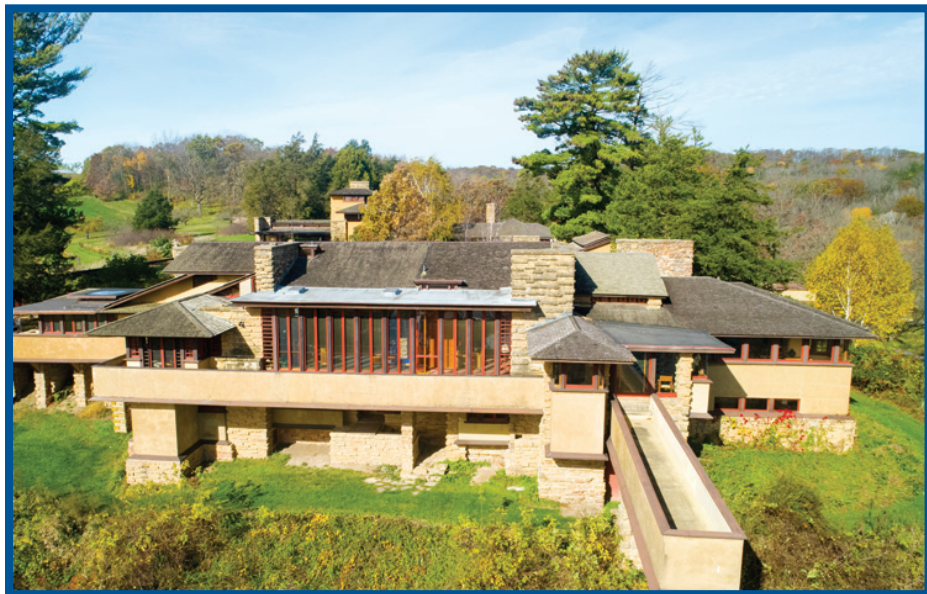


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1:00-4:00 p.m. on Sundays, June through September. From Richland Center, take Hwy. 14 East to Twin Bluffs Road, then in Twin Bluffs to County Hwy. TB, then south on TB to the museum.

Autumn is a busy time of year with the Richland County Fair set for early September; the Viola Horse & Colt Show for later September; the annual Center Color Fest, Wheels of Time, and Canyon of Lights Parade in early October. The gorgeous Rotary Lights in the (Krouskop) Park, will open in



October, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Tours begin at quarter past the hour and last 45 minutes. It is best to book in advance. The Warehouse, considered to be one of Wright's most important structures, is undergoing a massive renovation project.

  
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late November.

For year-round fun, lace on some roller skates at Galaxie Skate Center, 1215 E. Haseltine Street, Richland Center (608-647-4515).

Arguably the crown jewel of Richland Center is the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed A.D. German Warehouse, located at 300 S. Church Street. Tours are available by appointment, by calling 608-649-1915. Tours are available on Sundays, from May through

  
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## Exploring SPRING GREEN

**S**pring Green is a beautiful small town nestled among the hills of Southwest Wisconsin's Driftless Region. It is also surrounded by world-class attractions which include The House on the Rock, American Players Theatre, and renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright's summer home, Taliesin.

The House on the Rock recently got a boost of recognition when it was featured in the Starz channel's fantasy series "American Gods." However, a vast multitude of people had already visited it in the decades since its creation in 1960. On a self-guided tour, you can explore unique collections, including the world's largest carousel, a 200-foot sea creature, automated music machines and much more. The House on the Rock is located at 5754 State Road 23, Spring Green (608-935-3639). It's open March through November, with special hours at Christmastime. If you've ever wondered whether the dolls come alive at night you can find out by attending the Dark Side of the House at night. You will stroll down the walkway of the macabre and see the carousel in a whole new light. You will travel through the Devil's Throat and wander through the mysterious maze before escaping, only to be greeted by the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse.

American Players Theatre (APT) is a professional theater located just outside Spring Green. Situated on 110 acres of hilly woods and meadows, APT has two theaters, the newly renovated 1,089-seat outdoor amphitheater and the 201-seat indoor Touchstone Theatre. From June through November, APT produces plays in rotating repertory. With annual attendance of over 100,000 and an annual budget in excess of \$6 million, APT ranks as the country's second largest outdoor theater devoted to the classics.

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**V**iroqua is an accredited Main Street America city. Its downtown is listed on the Wisconsin and **National Register of Historic Places**. Viroqua was dubbed "The Town That Beat Walmart" by **Smithsonian Magazine** in 1992 because it fostered businesses that co-exist with the retail giant. The city and its nonprofit chamber of commerce, the Viroqua Chamber Main Street, actively promote small business development through several state and federal programs. One noteworthy program that has kept downtown storefronts occupied has been the Pop-Up Shop Initiative, which allow entrepreneurs to use a space downtown rent-free for the holiday season.

This city embodies a unique way of life through the celebration of our rich rural history, thriving arts community, and burgeoning local business. With open arms, we invite you to explore what Viroqua's historic downtown district, outlying ridges, creeks, valleys, and rolling hills have to offer!

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munity for many of their handcrafted goods.

#### NORWEGIAN HISTORY

The name "Westby" is a Norwegian name and literally translates to "Western city".

Westby was named after general store owner and Civil War Union soldier Ole T. Westby of Biri, Norway, where many of the city's Norwegian-American settlers originated. Westby Coon-Prairie Lutheran Church in Westby was established in 1851. The Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad began servicing Westby and surrounding townships in August 1879, and the La Crosse and Southeastern Railroad began service to the area in January 1905, though both railroads have long since ceased local operations. The Westby depot was torn down in 1970.

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# Events in the TRI-STATES

## BAGLEY

### MAY

**28:** French Toast & Pancake Breakfast at the Community Building from 7 – 10:30 a.m.

### JULY

**3:** Bagley Independence Day Celebration: 7:30 a.m. 5k Run/Walk, 10:30 parade. Events in the Bagley Community Park: starting with Chicken Barbecue; Thunder in the Valley Bull Riding, Mutton Busting at 6:30 p.m.; Rodeo at 7 p.m.; Half-time show TBA, fireworks after rodeo.

### SEPTEMBER

**24:** Fall Festival, Bagley Avenue, 11 a.m. Vendors, Children's Activities and Live Music.

## BELMONT

### MAY

**29:** Annual Fireman's Dance at Belmont Fire Station.

### JUNE

**2:** Citywide Garage Sales.

**2:** Belmont Night Market. North of Cushman Drive and west of North Mound Avenue. Food, crafts and music from 4 – 6 p.m.

### JULY

**7:** Belmont Night Market. North of Cushman Drive and west of North

Mound Avenue. Food, crafts and music from 4 – 6 p.m.

### AUGUST

**4:** Belmont Night Market. North of Cushman Drive and west of North Mound Avenue. Food, crafts and music from 4 – 6 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER

**12-18:** 108th Belmont School & Community Fair.

## BLOOMINGTON

### JULY

**22 - 24:** Blake's Prairie Jr. Fair.

## BOSCOBEL

### JUNE

**4:** Smoke in the Valley. Antique Club Grounds.

**10:** Music in the Park.

### JULY

**4:** Boscobel Fourth of July Celebration.

**24:** Car Show.

### AUGUST

**8:** Music in the Park from noon to 4 p.m.

**14:** Antique Tractor Show at Antique Club Grounds.

**28:** Drive-In/Fly-In Breakfast at Boscobel Airport from 8 a.m. to noon.

### SEPTEMBER

**10:** Taste of Boscobel in downtown Boscobel.

### 29 - October 2:

Driftless Rendezvous at Kronshage Park.

## CASSVILLE

### MAY

**6:** Cassville Car Ferry begins operation. Daily from 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. Info line (608) 725-5180.

**28 - til Labor Day (every other Saturday):** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park.

### JUNE

**2 - October 2:** Stonefield Open Thursdays – Sundays from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**3 & 4:** Citywide Garage Sales. Friday - 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday - 8 a.m. – noon.

**4:** State Park Antique Tractor Pull at Stonefield.

**4:** Live music by Johnnie Walker at Son Chasers Social Club from 4 – 7 p.m.

**4 & 5:** Free Fishing Weekend in Wisconsin Waters.

**10:** Nights in the Park – Chalk the Park at Riverside Park from 6 – 11 p.m.

**11:** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park. Live music by Big Cat Eddie at Son Chasers Social Club from 3 – 6 p.m.

**12:** Fly-In Breakfast at Cassville Municipal Airport.

**18:** Cassville Fire Department's Chicken BBQ at Riverside Park

**18:** Live music by Killer and the Salty Dogs at Son Chasers Social Club from 3 – 6 p.m.

**24:** Cassville Rescue Squad Supper & Dance.

**25:** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park. Live music by Ethan McKraken at Son Chasers Social Club from 4 – 7 p.m.

### JULY

**2:** Live music by Tony Walker at Son Chasers Social Club from 4 – 7 p.m.

**3:** Live music by Chase Pebworth at Son Chasers Social Club from 4 – 7 p.m.

**4:** Golden Knights Jump at Cassville High School Football Field at 1 p.m.

**9:** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park. Live music by TKO Band at Son Chasers Social Club from 3 – 6 p.m.

**16:** Live music by Johnnie Walker at Son Chasers Social Club from 4 – 7 p.m.

**18 - 24:** Fly-In stay before Oshkosh at Cassville Municipal Airport.

**16:** Cassville Lions Club Fun Day in the Park at Riverside Park. Tractor Pull, ATV/UTV Poker Run, Outdoor vendors, etc.

**23:** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park. Live music by Sarah Day at Son Chasers Social Club from 3 – 6 p.m.



# Events in the TRI-STATES

**25:** Live music by Big Cat Eddie at Son Chasers Social Club from 3 – 6 p.m.

## AUGUST

**5:** Best of Cassville at Riverside Park from 4 – 11 p.m.

**6:** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park. American Legion Tonnage Tournament.

**6:** Live music by EZRA at Son Chasers Social Club.

**13:** Live music by 2 Carls at Son Chasers Social Club from 3 – 6 p.m.

**20:** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park.

Live music by Sarah Day at Son Chasers Social Club from 3 – 6 p.m.

**27:** Live music by Ethan McKraken at Son Chasers Social Club from 4 – 6 p.m.

## SEPTEMBER

**3:** Farmer's Market. 8-Noon. Riverside Park. Cassville Car Cruise at Riverside Park.

**10:** Cassville Park Preservation Party at Riverside Park.

**17:** St. Charles Fall Festival from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

## DARLINGTON JUNE

**9:** Bring Back the Laps.

**10 - 12:** Canoe Fest.

**25:** Tri-County ATV Brat Feed and Fireworks.

## JULY

**13 - 17:** Lafayette County Fair at Lafayette County Fairgrounds.

## SEPTEMBER

**10 & 11 :** Pecatonica Valley Antique Days.

**14:** Fall in Love with Darlington.

## DODGEVILLE MAY

**7 - October 29:** Farmers Market on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon.

**30:** Memorial Day Parade.

## JUNE

**12:** Dodgeville Lions Club Antique Flea Market at Ley Memorial Pavilion at Harris Park from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**16:** Dodgeville Lions Club Golf Outing.

**25:** Upland Hills Health Family Fun Day and Fun Run/Walk, Harris Park - 8 a.m. Registration.

## JULY

**9:** Upland Hills Health Foundation Sip & Savor, Ley Memorial Pavilion - Harris Park, 5 p.m. - Fireworks.

**10:** Farmers Appreciation Day Parade, fireworks the night before.

**10 - 24:** Town Square, Downtown Dodgeville.

**22:** Dodgeville/Mineral Point Chamber Golf Outing.

**27 - August 1:** Lands' End Warehouse Sale at Ley Memorial Pavilion at Harris Park.

## AUGUST

**6:** DodgeFest in downtown Dodgeville. Music, motors and more!

**18:** Dodgeville Kiwanis Club Chicken BBQ at Ley Memorial Pavilion at Harris Park.

**28:** Dodgeville Lions Club Antique Flea Market at Ley Memorial Pavilion at Harris Park from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

## SEPTEMBER

**1 - 5:** Iowa County Fair in Mineral Point.

**18:** Dodgeville Area Scholarship Foundation Inc. Golf Outing.

## DUBUQUE

### MAY

**22:** Big Night Out, 3 p.m., Central Street.

### JUNE

**4:** Dubuque Dances with The Stars - Five Flags Theater, 6 p.m.

Concert at Mud Lake, 1 p.m., Golf Lake Road.

Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show, Bellevue, Iowa at 4 p.m.

Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street, Dubuque.

**5:** Music in the Gardens: Buddy Holly Tribute at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**9:** Millwork Night Market, Dubuque's Historic Millwork District at 5 p.m.

**12:** Music in the Gardens: Creedence Clearwater Revival Tribute at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**18:** Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street.

**19:** Music in the Gardens: Hunter Fuerste's American Vintage Orchestra at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**26:** Music in the Gardens: Dubuque Symphony Orchestra at the Dubuque Arboretum.

## JULY

**2:** Rockin' on the River "Mississippi Band", 6 p.m., Cascade, Iowa.

Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street.

**3:** Music in the Gardens: Neigh Berg 60s and 70s at the Dubuque Arboretum.

Dubuque Air Show & Fireworks.

Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show, Bellevue, Iowa at 4 p.m.

**10:** Music in the Gardens: Secrets at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**14:** Millwork Night Market, Dubuque's Historic Millwork District at 5 p.m.

**16:** Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show, Bellevue, Iowa at 4 p.m.

Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street.

**17:** Music in the Gardens: Imperial Flame Blues at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**24:** Music in the Gardens: Luke Viertel, Fleetwood Mac at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**31:** Music in the Gardens: Kids from Wisconsin at the Dubuque Arboretum.



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Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show, Bellevue, Iowa at 4 p.m.

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**16:** Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show, Bellevue, Iowa at 4 p.m.

Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street

## AUGUST

**6 - 7:** Dubuque Fest, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., 700 Locust Street.

**6:** Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show, Bellevue, Iowa at 4 p.m.

Rockin' on the River, 6 p.m., Cascade, Iowa.

**7:** Music in the Gardens: Classic Rock 'n Roll at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**14:** Music in the Gardens: 70s and 80s Hits at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**18:** Millwork Night Market, Dubuque's Historic Millwork District at 5 p.m.

**20:** Ski Bellevue Water Ski Show, Bellevue, Iowa at 4 p.m.

Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street

**21:** Music in the Gardens: Soul, Funk & Jazz at the Dubuque Arboretum.

**28:** Music in the Gardens: 50s and 60s Rock 'n Roll at the Dubuque Arboretum.

## SEPTEMBER

**3:** Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street.

**8:** Millwork Night Market, Dubuque's Historic Millwork District at 5 p.m.

**9 - 11:** Dubuque Dragon Boat Festival - noon each day.

**17:** Latin Night, 8 p.m., 62 E. 7th Street.

## ELKADER

### JULY

**8 & 9:** Inside/Outside Sale.

**29:** Chamber Golf Tournament.

## FENNIMORE

### MAY

**28 - Labor Day:** Fennimore Historical Railroad Society open Thursday - Monday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. \$1 train rides.

### JUNE

**17 - Labor Day:** Fennimore Doll and Toy Museum open Thursday - Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1 - 4 p.m. Free.

### JULY

**12:** Fennimore Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Chicken BBQ and Community Awards at Memorial Building.

### AUGUST

Fennimore FFA Junior Fair.

### SEPTEMBER

Annual Heritage Day at Fennimore Historical Railroad Museum.

## HIGHLAND

### MAY

**22:** Highland Rodeo Club Fun Show, Highland Rodeo Grounds, 10 a.m.

**28 & 29:** The Great Wine & Chocolate Trail - Spurgeon Winery, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### JUNE

**12:** American Legion Post #422 & VFW Chicken BBQ at Highland Village Park.

**25 & 26:** Bring on the Bacon & Cheese Days at Spurgeon Winery, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**18:** 3rd Annual Old School Block Party - Raising the Roof hosted by Highland Area Historical Society.

### JULY

**9 & 10:** Little Britches Rodeo at Highland Rodeo Grounds starts at 10 a.m. both days.

**14 - 16:** Our Town Celebration at Highland Lions Club.

**23 & 24:** Way Cool Wine Days at Spurgeon Winery, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### AUGUST

**27:** 9th Annual Highland Truck and Tractor Pull, Highland Rodeo Grounds, starts 2 p.m.

**27 & 28:** Wurst Wine Weekend EVER - Spurgeon Winery, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER

**2 - 4:** Highland Fireman's Labor Day Picnic at Highland Village Park.

Concession stand and music all weekend. Paintball games. Sunday - Chicken BBQ at 11 a.m., Bean Bag Tournament, 2 p.m. and Raffle Drawing, 3 p.m.

**24 & 25:** Harvest Festival at Spurgeon Winery, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Live music, food and wine tasting.

**25:** Ss. Anthony and Philip Church Oktoberfest from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Food and silent auction.

## LANCASTER

### JUNE

**10:** Outdoor Movie Night at Grant County Fairgrounds.

**14:** Rural Safety Day.

**24:** Jaycee Fireworks at the fairgrounds. Rain date is June 26.

### JULY

**8:** Full Throttle Shootout Truck & Tractor Pull.

**26:** Grant County Fair Walk-in Registration.

**29:** Grant County Fair Final Registration.

### AUGUST

**14 - 21:** Grant County Fair at the fairgrounds. Details at [www.grantcountyfairwi.org](http://www.grantcountyfairwi.org).

**26 - 28:** Lancaster Regional Rodeo at Grant County Fairgrounds.

### SEPTEMBER

**17:** Annual Grant County Cancer Coalition Fall Fundraiser at Grant County Fairgrounds.



# Events in the TRI-STATES

## LIVINGSTON

### JUNE

- 4:** Free Pyrotechnics Display at dusk.
- 23 - 26:** Livingston Festival.
- 23 - 25:** Communitywide Garage Sales from 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- 24:** Brat Sale Fundraiser at 12:30 p.m.
- 24:** Old Timer's Fast Pitch Game from 6 - 10:30 p.m.
- 24:** Kid's Kickball Games from 7 - 10 p.m.
- 25:** All School Alumni Reunion from 5 - 8 p.m.
- 25:** Music on Center Street from 8 - 11 p.m.
- 26:** Drive-thru/Eat-in Chicken Dinner from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. or until gone.
- 26:** Parade at 1:30 p.m.
- 26:** Fifth Quarter Show at 2:30 p.m.
- 26:** Old Time Ice Cream Social at 3 p.m.

### JULY

- 22:** Steak Sandwich Lunch at Community First Bank from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. or until gone. Iowa and Grant County Cattlemen serving.

## MARQUETTE/McGREGOR

### MAY

- 28 - 30:** Flea Market Under the Bridge.

### JUNE

- 25:** Lazy River Beer and Wine Festival in Marquette on the river front.

### JULY

- 2:** 4th of July Parade. Fireworks at Dusk at Marquette.
- 2 - 4:** Flea Market under the bridge. Marquette.

## MINERAL POINT

### MAY - OCTOBER:

- Mineral Point Farmers Market every Saturday under the water tower from 8:30 - 11 a.m.

- 25:** Matt Andersen at Mineral Point Opera House 8 p.m.

### JUNE

- 4:** Gallery Night, 5 - 9 p.m.
- 10:** Jammin' on the Porch at Orchard Lawn, 6 p.m.
- 11:** Driftless Poets 2 p.m. at Shake Rag Alley Center for Arts.
- 15:** Movie for Kids at Mineral Point Library  
Makers & Shakers Art Party at Shake Rag Alley Lind Pavilion, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- 16:** Mineral Point Museum Night, 5 - 8 p.m.
- 22:** Jammin' on the Porch at Orchard Lawn, 6 - 8 p.m.

### JULY

- 4:** Fourth of July Events: run, parade, music, food, games and fireworks.
- 7 - 10:** Woodlanders Gathering at Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts from 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- 8:** Jammin' on the Porch at Orchard Lawn from 6 - 8 p.m.
- 20:** Movie for Kids at Mineral Point Library.  
Makers & Shakers Art Party at Shake Rag Alley - Lind Pavilion, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- 27:** Jammin' on the Porch at Orchard Lawn from 6 - 8 p.m.

### AUGUST

- 10 - 13:** AMP 9th Annual Paint the Point.
- 12 & 13:** Fall Citywide Garage Sales.
- 12:** Jammin' on the Porch at Orchard Lawn from 6 - 8 p.m.
- 17:** Movie for Kids at Mineral Point Library.  
Makers & Shakers Art Party at Shake Rag Alley Lind Pavilion, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- 19 & 20:** Blues & Roots Fest at Orchard Lawn.
- 26 - 28:** Art Adventure at Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- 27:** Art Adventure Vendor Night at Shake Rag Alley - Lind Pavilion, 5 - 7 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER

- 1 - 5:** Iowa County Fair.

- 9:** Jammin' on the Porch at Orchard Lawn, 6 - 8 p.m.

- 10:** 6th Annual Mineral Point Car Show. Gates open at 8 a.m. Soldiers Memorial Park on Shake Rag Street.

- 21:** Movie for Kids at Mineral Point Library.  
Makers & Shakers Art Party at Shake Rag Alley - Lind Pavilion at 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

- 23 - 25:** Cornish Festival.

- 23:** Pub Night at Pendarvis from 6 - 10 p.m.

- 30:** Primitive Rug Hooking Retreat with wide cut wool at Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts.

## MONFORT

### JUNE

- 3 - 5:** Montfort VFW Post #9298 Annual Big Days. Friday: Kickball; Flag Disposal and Dedication Ceremony: 7 p.m.; Glow Walk; Music: Swing Crew - 8 p.m. at beer tent. Saturday: Volleyball and Softball tournaments; Red Bandana Ride: Noon; BBQ Contest: Noon - 4 p.m.; Kid's Bike Parade: 1 p.m.; Music that night by Addison Hill at beer tent; Sunday: Chicken BBQ and Pie Stand: 10 a.m.; Parade: 2 p.m.

## MUSCODA

### JULY

- 10:** Wisconsin River Canoe Race.



# Events in the TRI-STATES

## PLATTEVILLE

### MAY

**7 - October 29:** Platteville Summer Farmers Market on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon at City Park.

### JUNE

**2 - August 25:** Music in the Park at City Park from 6 - 8 p.m. on Thursdays.

**12:** Grant County Dairy Breakfast at Nobland Farms, 2561 Buckwheat Ridge Road, Lancaster.

**17:** Platteville Regional Chamber Annual Golf Outing.

**21:** Make Music Platteville at a variety of Platteville locations.

### JULY

**4:** Patriotic Program at City Park at 10 a.m.

**4:** Heritage Day at the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**4:** Fourth of July Celebration at Legion Park. Fireworks at dusk.

**16 - 24:** Platteville's 24th Annual Hometown Festival Week. 16th - Farmers Market 8 a.m. to noon. Southwest Music Festival on 2nd Street from 5 p.m. to midnight. Southwest Auto Club Cruise In On Main on Main Street. 19th - Berry Fest at Legion Field. 21st - 24th Annual Party in the Park "Salute to Volunteers" at City Park at 5:30 p.m. 23rd - Annual Craft & Vendor Fair at City Park from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. 24th - Southwest Christian Music Festival at City Park from 1 - 4 p.m.

### AUGUST

**20:** Mine Day.

**27:** Chalk & Cheese.

### SEPTEMBER

**9 - 11:** 23rd Annual Historic Re-enactment at Mound View Park.

**9 - 11:** 75th Annual Dairy Days Celebration.

**17:** Ben's Hope Run/Walk at Mound City Bank Motor Branch.

**30:** Farm to Family Drive-Thru Dinner at Broske Center at 5 p.m. Advance Tickets required.

## POTOSI

### AUGUST

**12 - 23:** Potosi Events Crew Truck & Tractor Pulls.

**14:** Potosi Area Annual Fireman's Catfish Festival at Potosi Fire and Rescue Building.

**27:** Potosi Brewery Brewfest at Holiday Gardens Event Center, 1 - 4:30 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER

**18:** Warren Lodge Annual Car & Antique Tractor Show at Holiday Gardens Event Center.

## RICHLAND CENTER

### MAY - OCT:

Richland Area Farmers Market.

## JUNE

**10 - 13:** Wisconsin State High School Rodeo Finals at Richland County Fairgrounds.

**15:** June Dairy Days Rodeo/Parade.

### SEPTEMBER

**4 - 8:** Richland County Fair. Details at [www.fair.co.richland.wi.us](http://www.fair.co.richland.wi.us)

## SPRING GREEN

**MAY - MID OCT:** Spring Green Area Farmers Market.

## JUNE

**3 - November 20:** American Players Theatre: An Improbable Fiction, The Mountaintop, Rough Crossing, An Illiad, Cymbeline and A Phoenix too Frequent.

### AUGUST

**21:** Spring Green Car Show.

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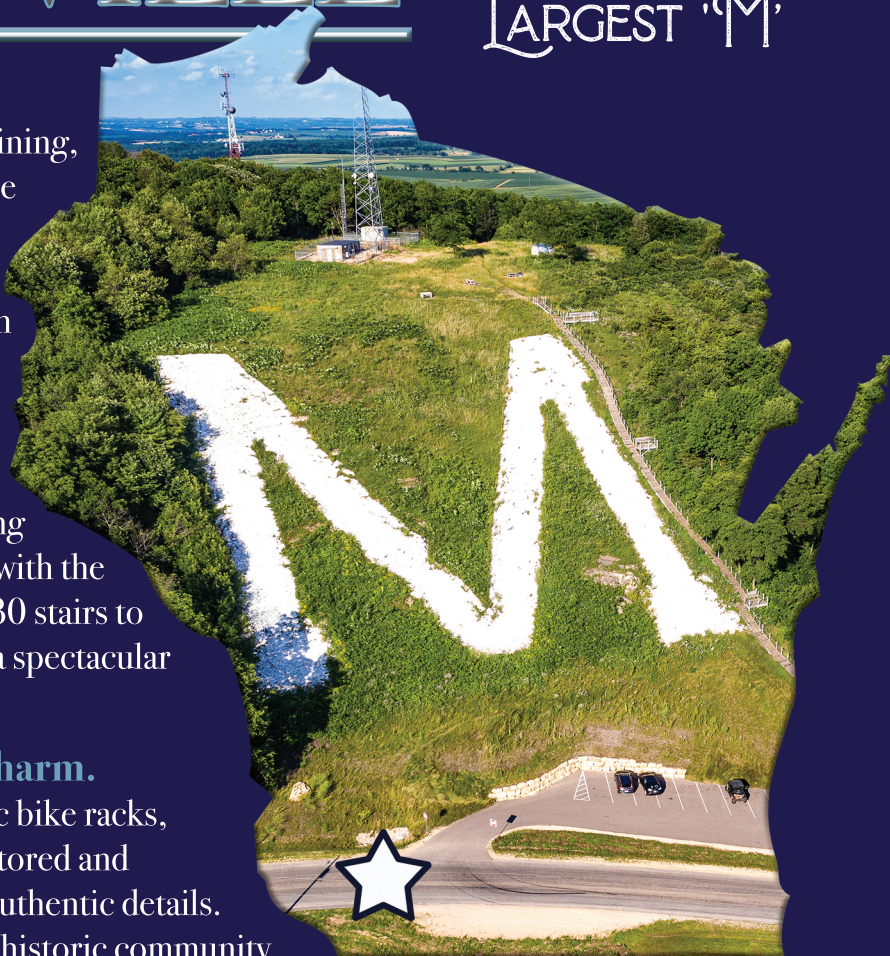
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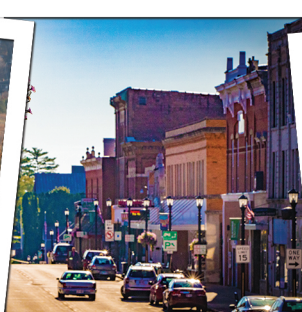
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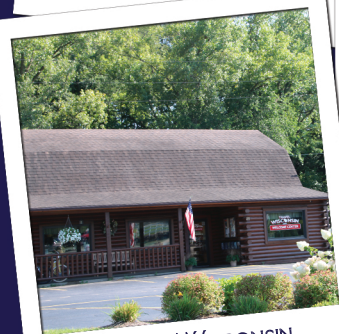
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