TO THE FEST *OCTOBER FESTIVALS ABOUND ACROSS WISCONSIN*

OUT & ABOUT

Get Out & Do What You Like to do

wisconsin

OCTOBER 2019

CHRIS DISTEFANO
Brings NY to Madison this month

JO DEE MESSINA
Comes to the Dells to connect with fans

COPPER DOCK SUPPER CLUB
Lakeside dining with Fantastic views

Jo Koy

Getting big laughs from big audiences

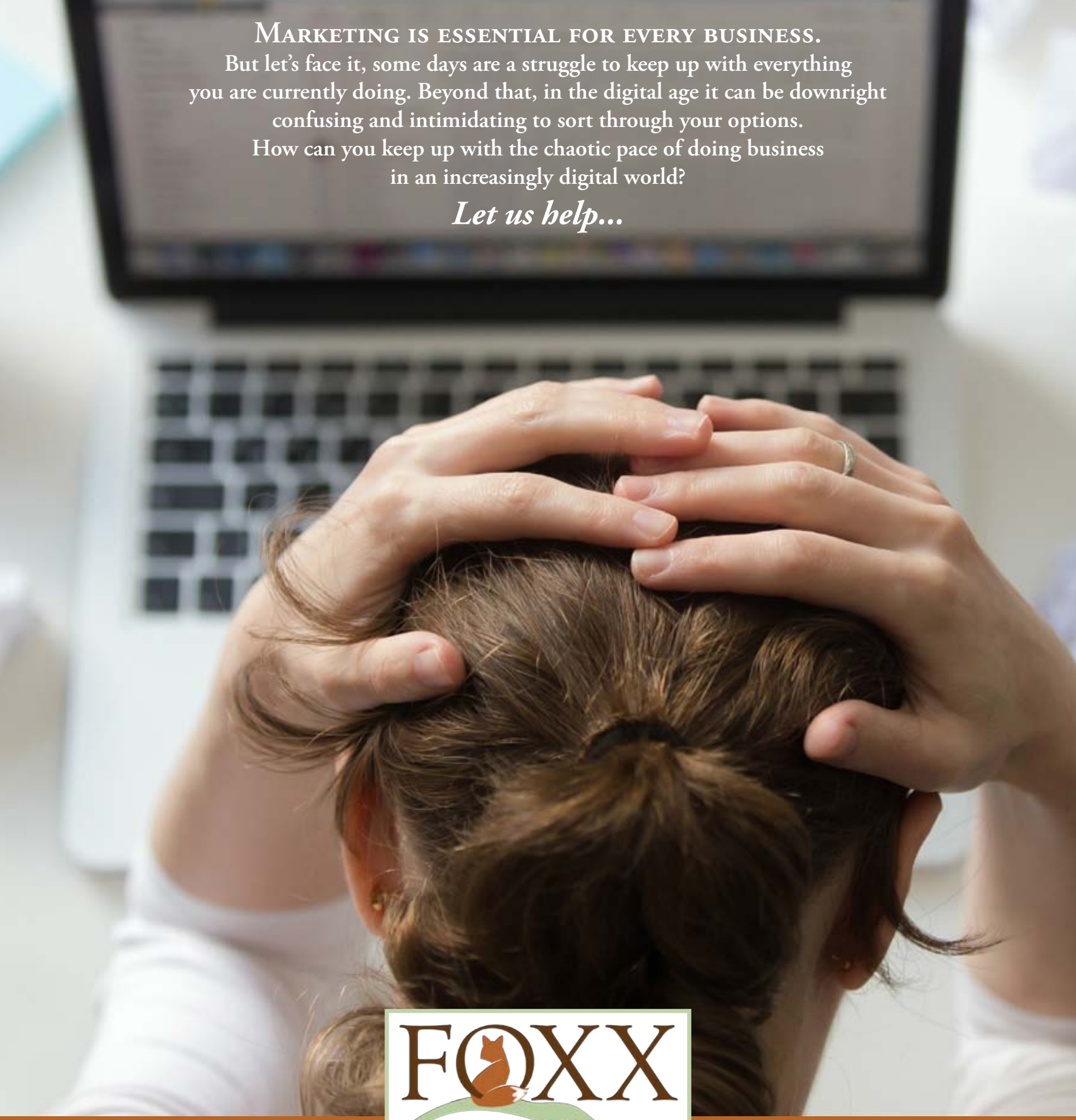
UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fox Cities | Green Bay
Marshfield | Oshkosh
Stevens Point | Waupaca
Wausau | Wisconsin Rapids



Plus!

WIN TICKETS
See Jo Dee Messina at The Crystal Grand Wisconsin Dells
See page 2 for details.



Marketing is essential for every business.

But let's face it, some days are a struggle to keep up with everything you are currently doing. Beyond that, in the digital age it can be downright confusing and intimidating to sort through your options.
How can you keep up with the chaotic pace of doing business in an increasingly digital world?

Let us help...

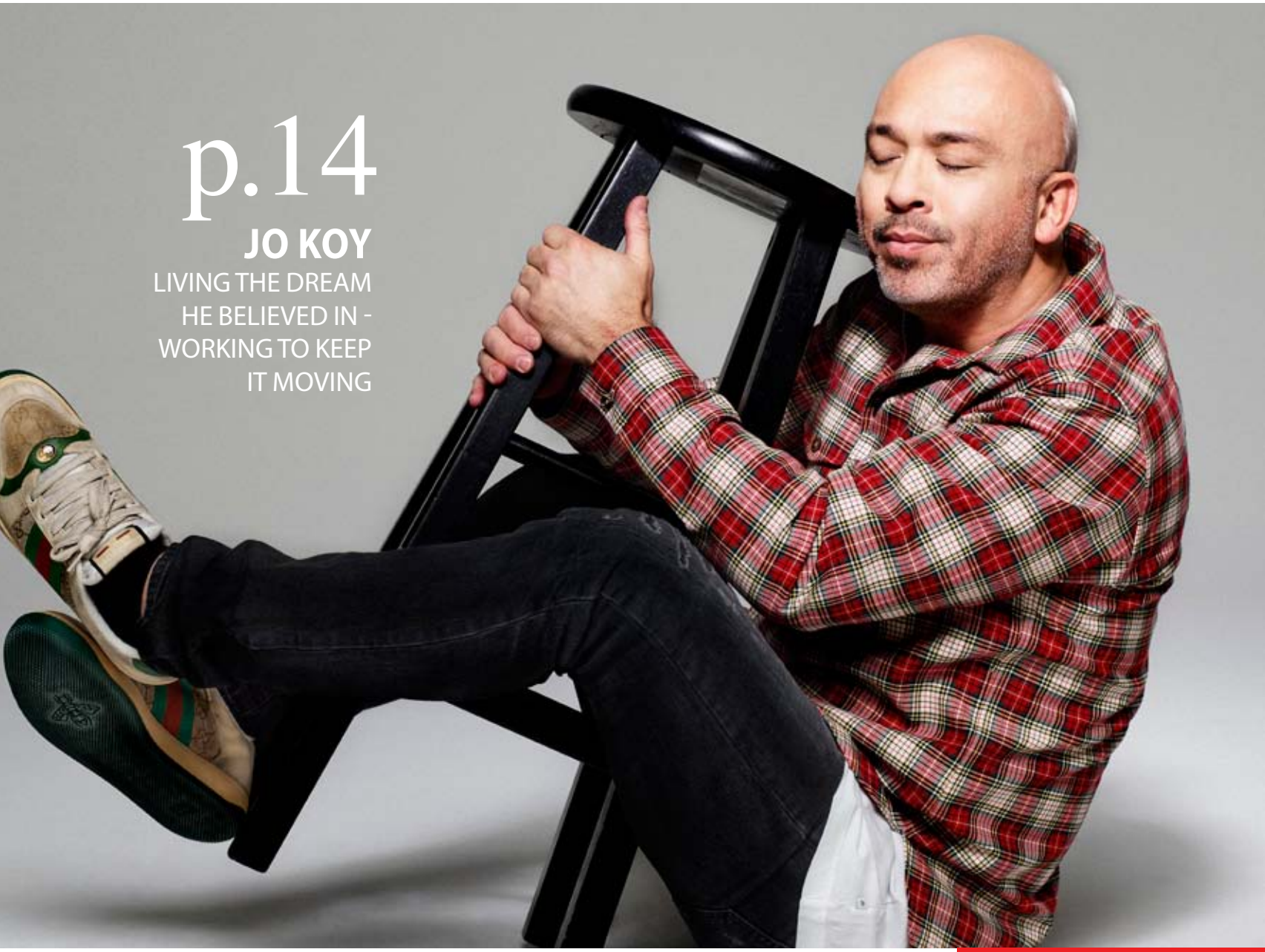
FOXX INTERACTIVE SERVICES

Specializing in Contracted Digital Marketing Services
Websites | eMail Marketing | Social Media | Google Business | Reputation Management
www.foxxinteractiveservices.com
Contact: (715) 412-1284 | NormaJean.Fochs@FoxxInteractiveServices.com

OUT & ABOUT wisconsin

Get Out & Do What You Like to Do

OCTOBER 2019



p.14

JO KOY

LIVING THE DREAM HE BELIEVED IN - WORKING TO KEEP IT MOVING

P. 4
CHRIS DISTEFANO
His diverse comedy career brings him back to Madsion

P. 10
JO DEE MESSINA
More life under her belt and doing alright

P. 20
FESTIVALS
WI celebrates with seasonal festivals

DEPARTMENTS

PUBLISHER'S NOTE p. 2

SUPPER CLUB p. 24
Copper Dock Supper Club - Hubertus

EVENTS CALENDAR p. 32

MANY FUN FALL WAYS TO ENJOY WISCONSIN

IN THIS ISSUE…

First up is Contributor Peter Lindblad's interview with stand-up comedian and consummate New Yorker Chris Distefano before he appears at Comedy on State in Madison later this month.

Lindblad's second contribution is a Q & A with country powerhouse Jo Dee Messina who will be appearing at The Crystal Grand Theater in WI Dells at the beginning of November. See details below for your chance to win a pair of tickets to that show.

Our cover story, another interview by Lindblad is a conversation with comedian Jo Koy, 2018 Stand-Up Comedian of the Year" at the "Just for Laughs" comedy festival in Montreal. He will be cracking up audiences in Green Bay (Weidner Center) and Milwaukee (The Pabst Theater) October 24th and 25th.

Plus!
WIN TICKETS
Win tickets to Jo Dee's show at The Crystal Grand
SEE BELOW!

Next, new Contributor Todd Haefer provides a round-up of October festivals throughout Wisconsin. It is not all polka, beer and brats (although we would never leave those out). Rest assured, there is bound to be something fun for everyone.

Supper Club Guy David Brierley takes us waterfront once again to The Copper Dock Supper Club of Hubertus providing fantastic views and food to match.

Finally, our events calendar includes more than 100 listings of things to do in Wisconsin this month with live links so details are just a click away.

So, read this issue, then turn off your device and get out and enjoy Wisconsin your way.

Norma Jean Fochs

NORMA JEAN FOCHS
PUBLISHER
NormaJean.Fochs@OutAndAboutWisconsin.com

We are giving away a pair of tickets to see Jo Dee Messina perform at The Crystal Grand Theater in Wisconsin Dells on Nov 9th, 2019. No purchase necessary. Winner drawn at random from list of active magazine subscribers* at the time of drawing (November 1st). **Click here to subscribe for free.**

**signed up to receive an email notice with a live link to the new issue each month when the new issue hits the newsstand*

OUT & ABOUT wisconsin

October 2019, Vol. 3, Issue 10

PUBLISHERS
NORMA JEAN FOCHS
PATRICK BOYLE

CONTRIBUTORS
DAVID BRIERLEY
PETER LINDBLAD
TODD HAEFER

ART
GRAPHIC DESIGNERS
KELLY ANDERSON
NICOLE MACMARTIN

ADVERTISING
NORMA JEAN FOCHS
normajean.fochs@outandaboutwisconsin.com

ADMINISTRATIVE
CONTACT SPECIALIST
AUDREY FOCHS

Out & About Wisconsin is published monthly by Foxx Interactive Services. All rights reserved. No duplication of any editorial or photography is allowed without written permission from Foxx Interactive Services. Copyright 2019.

Printable PDF version of this issue available at:
https://outandaboutwisconsin.com/digital-magazine/

For those of you who are part of a group that is planning an upcoming event, we want to hear from you.
Make sure to send information about that event to editor@outandaboutwisconsin.com, and we'll get it listed on our calendar. Not sure what to include? Check out this month's calendar, where we explain exactly what kind of information we need. Just remember, if your event is in November we need to know about it in the beginning of October.

OFF-ROAD ADVENTURE



WIN A 2019 POLARIS RZR XP TURBO

$500 CASH AND GAS | 9 PM & 10 PM

We are off roadin' at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg! Two winners will walk away with a Brand New 2019 Polaris UTV RZR XP Turbo, $500 Cash and $500 Gas on October 26 at 9pm and 10pm. Drawings will take place every 30 minutes from 7pm – 11:30pm for $500 Cash and one lucky winner will receive $1000 Cash at Midnight!

Beginning October 1, earn 50 points and visit the Rewards Club to receive $15 Rewards Play twice per promotional day. Receive an automatic entry for every 50 points earned. Join us every Thursday, Friday and Saturday for hourly Hot Seats and win $100 Rewards Play from 12pm-11pm. The guest to your left and right will also receive $25 Rewards Play; just by sitting next to you.

Every Thursday from 6pm – 9pm, swipe at the Kiosk for a chance to win a logoed stocking cap for free!

GRAND PRIZE DRAWINGS | OCTOBER 26 | 7PM-12AM

HO-CHUNK GAMING WITTENBERG

ho-chunkgaming.com/**wittenberg**

Like us on

O'SO BREWING COMPANY 12TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION PLOVER, WI



INGREDIENTS

- LIVE MUSIC: GRAY CATZ + GUESTS
- FIRST TIME CAN RELEASES
- SPECIAL PIN TAPPING
- GREAT LOCAL FOOD

O'SO BREWING COMPANY — O'SO — EST. 2007

NOV. 9TH DOORS OPEN AT 4 P.M $5 DOOR FEE



TOYS FOR TOTS DONATIONS APPRECIATED. (IT'S FOR THE KIDS!)



Chris Distefano

IN A NEW YORK STATE OF MIND

BY PETER LINDBLAD

Fatherhood is something New York-based comedian Chris Distefano takes very seriously, except for those times when his daughter makes him laugh out loud.

"She's just so witty," said Distefano. "She told one of her classmates, who is lactose intolerant … the teachers told me they got into an argument the other day in school, like little kid stuff. And she said, 'Oh, shut up Tristan. You can't even eat cheese.'"

Surprised that a 4-year-old would know anything about the condition or its effects, Distefano was as proud of her for delivering such a cutting remark as he was seeing her stand up for herself. She received a timeout as punishment, of course, but Distefano thinks she got a raw deal.

"It's like, don't scold her for that," said Distefano. "He was probably being annoying to my daughter, and if you want to be annoying, a real New Yorker is going to hit you where it hurts."

Having a thick skin is necessary for a standup comic. Distefano learned early on not to back down to anyone. The son of a couple that split up, Distefano remembers going to his dad's house for Christmas and getting





CHRIS DISTEFANO

crucified by his relatives.

"They would start making fun of me … my haircut, all of that stuff," said Distefano. "So, if you didn't have comebacks, you were going to get buried. I didn't even realize that was exercising that comedy muscle for years and years and years and years and years, even before I had started standup."

Distefano will be flexing those tough, no-holds-barred comedic chops Oct. 17-19 at Comedy on State in Madison. It's a club that has a sterling reputation among comics.

"Every comedian will say yes to that gig when it's offered to them," said Distefano. "That comedy club on State Street in Madison is one of the best comedy clubs in the whole country among comedians … it's just run right, the crowds that come out are just always in a good mood, it's always packed."

To Distefano, audiences in Wisconsin and Chicago aren't much different than those in New York City.

"I love Wisconsin, especially Madison," said Distefano. "I've been there a couple of times now, it just feels like … I was just in Chicago, and to be honest, it all feels like New York to me. It's the same groups of people. You know, you have the blue-collar, you have the white-collar … every type of person. Every time I come to the Wisconsin-Chicago area, I'm like, this is awesome."

Distefano has been on quite a ride in 2019, hooking up a big production deal with the Comedy Central TV network, the premiere of his first hour-long stand-up special "Chris Distefano: Size 38" and an extension for his popular TV series "Stupid Questions with Chris Distefano." A second hour special is coming up next year.

"It's great to stretch out and let the audience know who I am," said Distefano. "I appreciate Comedy Central taking a chance on me; it's good to have somebody believe in you."

Originally, the network showed its faith in Distefano with "Stupid Questions with Chris Distefano," which finds the comedian and a guest engrossed in a funny late-night conversation usually sparked by off-the-wall queries posed by Distefano. Writers will come up with some of the questions. Distefano will think of others. He sees it as a healthy mix.

"I auditioned for that show," said Distefano. "Comedy Central created that in-house and then I auditioned for it and got it … I was happy when they picked me to do it because I always wanted to do a show where I could talk to celebrities or comedians, or whatever, and just not ask them boring questions. I was like, let me just ask them where else they would put their nipples on their body."

Some research is involved, but to Distefano, it's the questions that arise naturally and spontaneously that yield the best responses.

"Actually, I research for everybody, and I research a couple of (questions) for them, but for the most part, I feel like the ones that do the best for the show are the most organic ones that are just like … something you could ask anybody, but on the other hand, those you might not," said Distefano.

Distefano's deal with Comedy Central encompasses exclusive on- and off-camera services, as well as a first look at content created and developed for any platform, including several projects already in development.

"I'm trying to get all these things off the ground," said Distefano. "Listen, I've had like seven pilots in my life. I'm Chrissy pilots. I'm either Chrissy pilots or I'm Chrissy cancelled. Something gets on one season and then it gets cancelled, so I'm just trying to get something on the air that's going to stick. But I feel like this whole journey in entertainment … it's not really about getting the big thing. I mean, of course, we all hope to, but it's really about the journey on the way to the big thing, where all the life stuff is made and where the comedy is made and the memories and all that."

Along with that second hour-long stand-up special, Distefano has an animated series in the works.

"It's about my life, me being

a single dad, trying to raise our daughter, who is half Latina, but acts very Latina," said Distefano. "So, [it's about] trying to live in her culture, and also, navigating a relationship with her mom, who got pregnant with my child on the second date. So, it's about trying to learn about the mother of your child, learning how to be a father and learning about your own child and what it means to dig deep inside you as a man and what it takes to be a good dad and learning lessons from my dad. My dad was the kind of guy who had the right intentions, but the wrong moves. So, a lot of the show is about his wrong moves and me trying to … maybe I'll make some of those same mistakes, maybe I'll learn from them. That's what the show's about."

Distefano's parents were different people. While his dad was "extremely funny," Distefano said his mother wasn't.

"She was strictly religious, but I think that also benefits me because you weren't really allowed to be funny around her," said Distefano. "Because she didn't have the greatest sense of humor, it makes you try to be more funny."

Distefano's mother also was dead-set against her son leaving his career as a physical therapist behind in 2013 to become a stand-up comedian. The decision came after an appearance on the "David Letterman Show." John Travolta was a guest.



"I was like, 'This is pretty cool. He's got like that Brooklyn thing going on. They filmed "Saturday Night Fever" in Bay Ridge,'" said Distefano.

His mother did not approve.

"My mom was like, 'Chris, what are you doing? You have your education and you have this great job, with health benefits. You're going to lose it,'" said Distefano. "And my dad was like, 'Listen, you're all right. Do what you need to do. You can sleep in my basement.' You know, he's like, 'Do the shows. Have fun. You only live once and forget about what anybody else says,' but now they're both kind of on the same page. They're both very supportive of my career now."

The biggest boost came with his work on MTV's "Guy Code" and "Girl Code." He's grateful for those experiences.

"I met so many comedians who went on to do huge things," said Distefano. "We all kind of started there, and being on 'Guy Code' and 'Girl Code,' you'd get the topic the day before and have to write all these jokes, and it would force your brain to think about things that you wouldn't think to write comedy about. You have to answer a certain question about what's the guy code or girl code to something, and that was probably the best because you'd write so much material that didn't make the 'Guy Code' or 'Girl Code' show, I would take it and just use it in my

> "Even if you don't like history, I think [you'll like] the chemistry between Yannis and I and it's so funny, and it's this living, breathing thing..."

stand-up."

Like any good stock portfolio, Distefano's career is diversified. He co-stars in the web series "Bay Ridge Boys" with fellow comic Yannis Pappas.

"Yannis and I are very, very close friends," said Distefano. "Yannis, he also has a character named Maurica, like that Puerto Rican character who wears a wig, and he does that on YouTube. And one time, my daughter – he had the wig on when we went over there – doesn't understand that Yannis is a man. She called him Aunt Yannis … so Yannis is a huge part of mine and my daughter's life. We live two blocks away from each other."

The two began thinking about the transformation America was undergoing. That led to the web series, which Distefano sees as "a microcosm of the country."

Distefano added, "Things are changing a lot. People have an old-school way of thinking and there's this new way of thinking and things are happening so fast that we just thought it would be funny to make a web series – hopefully, one day it'll turn into an actual TV show or movie or something – about those things, about how the old people have to adapt, how the new people have to adapt and the comedy that comes from that."

The two also team up for the weekly history podcast "History Hyenas," available on iTunes and Riotcast.

"Even if you don't like history, I think [you'll like] the chemistry between Yannis and I and it's so funny, and it's this living, breathing thing that even if you don't like history, I suggest people listen, because you learn something to talk about at a party, or some interesting fact you didn't know," said Distefano. "But, you'll laugh, too, because we don't talk about history all the time. We're like going wild, we throw in some history at the end, in the middle … sometimes the episode will be about history but we'll talk about it for 30 seconds, and the rest is just nuts."

Even with everything he's involved in and all the famous people he's met along the way, you can't take New York City out of Distefano. His accent is still strong, and he hasn't lost that famous Gotham attitude.

"I mean I feel like New York is so cutthroat, and you don't have that much time in New York … People don't have patience really," said Distefano. "There's nine million people, there's a lot of things going on, so it's like, 'Listen, either say something funny to me and we can do that, or if you want to just ask how the weather is, just suck it. I don't want to tell you how it is. I don't want to hear about it.' I'd rather make fun of the guy standing next to us in the elevator."

Next on his list of priorities is building a loyal audience.

"Hopefully, one of the shows gets on the air," said Distefano. "I've been selling a lot more tickets now and hopefully, I can get to the next level and sell theaters out, because once you have a fan base … you're untouchable. Like something gets cancelled, it doesn't matter. If you have a solid fan base, they'll support you through thick and thin if you're good to them."

Distefano doesn't plan on letting them down. ■ **O&AW**

Where GOOD TIMES & GOOD FOOD come together!

Bridge BAR & RESTAURANT

LIVE MUSIC • FOOD • GREAT ATMOSPHERE



LEINIE'S FRIDAY FISH FRY!

- *Hand-Breaded Baby Walleye (Regular or Cajun)*
- *Leinie's Beer Battered Cod*
- *Crispy Panko Breaded Cod*
- *Hand-Breaded Haddock (Regular or Cajun)*
- *Baked Haddock (Lemon Pepper or Cajun Style)*
- *Hand-Breaded Butterflied Lake Perch (Regular or Cajun)*
- *Grilled Teriyaki Salmon Served with Side Salad*
- *Panko Breaded Shrimp*
- *Surf N' Turf – Grilled 8 Ounce Ribeye w/ Panko Breaded Shrimp*





PACKER & BADGER GAME DAY SPECIALS

- *$12 Bucket of 5 Dometic Beers*

Book Your Private Parties with Us!

FALL EVENTS *(in progress)*

- *October 5th - Bridge Bar Golf Outing at Weymont Run*
- *November 9th - Moonlight Bandits*
- *November 29th - Dustin Lee*
- *November 30th - Genesee Depot*
- *December 7th - Sam Gauthier*

THE BRIDGE BAR & RESTAURANT

101 W MAIN ST. FREMONT, WISCONSIN 54940

OPEN AT 11 DAILY

(920) 446–3300

BRIDGEBARFREMONT.COM

Find us on Facebook!

CRYSTAL GRAND MUSIC THEATRE

GEORGE THOROGOOD
OCTOBER 18



JOSH TURNER
NOVEMBER 2



JO DEE MESSINA
NOVEMBER 9



VINCE NEIL
NOVEMBER 16



SCOTTY McCREERY
JANUARY 24



ROSEANNE BARR
APRIL 18



FULL LINEUP & TICKETS AT
WWW.CRYSTALGRAND.COM

JO DEE MESSINA

WOMAN IN CHARGE

BY PETER LINDBLAD

Unbridled passion and unfiltered honesty helped Jo Dee Messina emerge as one of country music's most powerful and galvanizing female voices. She's the real deal.

"I only know how to be the way I am," said Messina, when asked how she's been able to establish such a deep connection with her loyal fans.

The utterly infectious "Heads Carolina, Tails California" from her 1996 debut record was the song that kicked down doors for Messina, although the aftermath brought her to the brink of financial ruin. Looking to get back on track, Messina bounced back with the 1998 smash hit *I'm Alright*, which yielded such favorites as "Bye Bye," "Stand Beside Me" and the title track.

Critical acclaim and a truckload of awards followed, leading to sales of five million albums worldwide, 16 Top 40 songs and nine No. 1 smash hits. Before hitting it big, Messina played talent shows around Nashville, which led to a regular gig on the radio show "Live at Libby's." That's how famed producer Byron Gallimore found her. At the time, Gallimore was working with Tim McGraw, an up-and-coming star in his own right. A friendship developed, with McGraw connecting Messina with his label, Curb Records. The rest is history.

Splitting from her longtime record label, Messina created Dreambound Records. The freedom was exhilarating and inspiring creatively, as she released the highly personal LP *Me*. Her Christian faith has been a driving force in her life, as well as her musical career, in recent years, and on Saturday, Nov. 9, Messina will be playing the Crystal Grand Theater in Wisconsin Dells. Her music seems to resonate with Wisconsin audiences.

"We love playing Wisconsin," said Messina. "We have such a great fan base





Plus!

WIN TICKETS

Win tickets to Jo Dee's Nov. 9th show at The Crystal Grand

CLICK HERE!

there. It's always exciting when we have the opportunity to do a show for them."

Messina recently talked with *Out & About Wisconsin* about her career.

OUT & ABOUT WISCONSIN: *Growing up in Massachusetts, before moving to Nashville, how did you come to develop such an appreciation for country music and who were the artists you really admired?*

JO DEE MESSINA: The Judds, Reba McEntire … country music spoke about my life. I was naturally drawn to it.

OAW: *What were those early days of playing talent shows around Nashville like and how did capturing the attention of producer Byron Gallimore and Tim McGraw alter the course of your career?*

JDM: I played the talent contests because I loved to sing. At one point, there were contests that paid money to winners, and so I would try to win to pay my bills. When I met Byron and Tim, that's when we started focusing on record deals and making albums.

OAW: *Your self-titled debut record was such a success, with the singles "Heads Carolina, Tails California" and "You're Not in Kansas Anymore." During the making of it, was there a moment when you realized the album might be a monster hit and what do you remember about recording those songs in particular and then hearing them on the radio?*

JDM: The first record, it seems we were still trying to hone in on "my sound." "Heads Carolina" was a song that was recorded after the album was "complete." Someone left it in my mailbox – the writer, Tim Nichols. I loved it so much, I brought it into my producers. We recorded it on the 4th of July. It became the first single off the album. It was surreal to hear the songs on the radio. It had been a dream for so long that it took a minute for the reality to sink in.

OAW: *How were you able to rebound with I'm Alright and what was the most gratifying aspect of having success with that record? Was there something different about the songs and the subject matter on that record, as opposed to those on your debut LP?*

JDM: I think we had more of a direction when we were heading into the *I'm Alright* record, as far as sound. We knew we didn't want it to sound like anything else I had done or anything else that was out there. Phil Vassar entered the picture with that record, and he wrote both the first and second singles, which were both No. 1 records. Thank heavens for Phil Vassar!

OAW: *Where does the strength you exude as a powerful female come from and is that something your fans ever talk to you about when you meet them?*

JDM: I live one day at a time. I just do the best that I can.

OAW: *What was it like for you leaving your longtime record label and in establishing Dreambound Records, what kind of label did you want to create?*

JDM: I had been recording music that was not being released, and with Dreambound Records, I was able to write, record, and get songs to the fans in a personal manner.





OAW: *How do you feel you've grown as an artist since those early days and how has your music evolved to what it is today?*

JDM: I have a little more life under my belt than I did in my earlier records. With that comes lessons, understanding, and compassion.

OAW: *Was there an event or something that happened that made you want to express your Christian faith more in your music, and what's been the response from fans? How important has it been to you personally being so open about it?*

JDM: I met Jesus. When you meet Jesus, you want people to know about Him – His realness, His love. I love to share about Him because He is the greatest thing to share.

OAW: *What is the biggest lesson you've learned in the music business that you hope other female or male artists take to heart?*

JDM: Don't sell out who you are just to achieve the dream.

OAW: *As you look back on your career and in looking forward, what's been the most rewarding part and what do you feel you still have to accomplish?*

JDM: Every day that I'm able to get up on stage and sing is a blessing. I have many songs yet to be written or sung. I have a ton left to accomplish. ■ **O&AW**

Jo Koy Culture Shock

BY PETER LINDBLAD

Comedian Jo Koy has been saddled with mommy issues for years, but that's not such a bad thing in his case.

Her tough love approach to parenting has yielded a gushing fountain of hilarious material for Koy's act, and she's not exactly embarrassed by all the attention.

"For my mom, it's never enough," said Koy, with a laugh. "She wants me to talk about her nonstop. There are so many different stories I have to tell and not enough time to tell them. But whenever she comes to see me, she's always like, '(Impersonating her voice) You know, Joseph, you could have done a couple more minutes on me.'"

It stands to reason Koy's mom will be featured prominently in the rising star's first-ever performance at the Weidner Center in Green Bay Oct. 24 and two shows at The Pabst Theater in Milwaukee on Oct. 25 as part of his "Just Kidding World Tour." He may even give a retelling of the time she suckered Koy into playing some games with her on the Wii, not knowing she'd become such a wiz at it.

"Ah, that's a classic," said Koy. "She never had any interest in electronics at all. That was the day my head blew up. She became addicted to that rather quickly."

Blending quick-witted improvisation with his infectiously funny storytelling and charismatic personality, Koy's brand of stand-up comedy is catching on like wildfire with the masses. Audiences are turning out in droves to see him.

In 2017, during an 11-show, sold-out run at the Neil S. Blaisdell Concert Hall in Honolulu, Hawaii, Koy sold 23,000 tickets, smashing the record for a single artist. He became the first comedian to sell out six shows at The Warfield in San Francisco, while also crushing attendance records at Club Regent Event Centre in Winnipeg with four sold-out shows and doing five straight sold-out shows at the San Diego Civic Center, the first time a comedian had ever done that. Performing 30 shows



Photo credit Mandee Johnson.



Photo credit Mandee Johnson.

in one year at Brea Improv in Orange County, California, Koy sold 17,000-plus tickets.

Performing before packed arenas and big theaters is getting to be a habit for Koy. Anyplace he goes, Koy enjoys immersing himself in the city or locale before going onstage.

"Oh, I like to check out the town, see the town, see some of the things that the locals like to do and make fun of it – just get everybody involved quickly, give a shout out to the town and have fun with it. It keeps my improv skills up," said Koy.

It also provides an opportunity to connect with people sitting in the seats.

"It just makes it more personal that way, but it's more fun for me to keep my chops sharp, you know what I mean?" said Koy. "To keep my improv skills up, just going on the fly. And also, it just gets me out of my routine, because when you do that many cities in a year, a routine can drive you crazy, so you kind of want to change it up every show and keep it fresh for yourself as well."

While getting big laughs is always the goal, Koy feels a bigger responsibility – namely, breaking down Asian stereotypes and introducing the rest of the world to his Filipino culture.

Specials such as Koy's latest Netflix event, "Comin' in Hot," currently streaming worldwide, give Koy a platform to educate.

"I feel like with my specials I'm shining a light on a culture that has never really gotten the limelight and I think that's really the big reason for this explosion," said Koy. "People are very happy that we're finally giving

them a voice, and I'm happy because I've been wanting to say these things for a long time and talk about my mom, talk about our culture and our food … and it's cool. It's cool to hear people like you or someone that's not Filipino appreciate what I'm talking about and laugh at it – laugh with us, not laughing at us."

One particular bit resonated greatly with his people, as Koy related a story about a fight in a mall he experienced. It was over somebody making fun of his family's accents.

"And my mom was like, 'You're making fun of our accent, but I can speak two languages. You can speak one. And for that, I think you're stupid,'" said Koy. "When I did that joke, it made a lot of Filipinos proud, because that's a very big misconception, that because you have an accent, you don't really understand what we're saying to you. Whereas, my mom clearly understands you."

Playing the Weidner Center will be a new experience for Koy, although he is intimately familiar with America's Heartland. Despite being raised in the West, having lived in Washington state and Las Vegas, Koy is keenly aware of the widespread appeal of his comedy.

"The Midwest has always been good to me," said Koy. "Chicago has always been good. I sold my first sell-out crowd in Chicago, so it's fun to actually see how universal comedy really is and how far it really goes, to talk to people in the Midwest and go as far as Australia, and I'm not changing my routine for what these people are coming out for. And I love that."

Starting out, Koy used to test his burgeoning comedic gifts at a Las Vegas coffeehouse.

"Oh, it was rough, especially the open mics," said Koy. "I used to go with my real name. My real name is Joseph Herbert, and I used to go up with that. And crowds were always making fun of my name, the emcee would make fun of my name, so it was rough coming up. That's when I got my nickname from my aunt, and that's when I started going up as Jo Koy, so that's where that all started from in coffeehouses."

His colleagues also traveled hard roads to get to the top. When Koy won "Stand-Up Comedian of the Year" at the 2018 "Just for Laughs" comedy festival in Montreal, a star-studded gallery – many of whom also struggled at first – cheered him on. It still means a lot to him.

"I mean, the names that were in that audience when I received that award were just phenomenal," said Koy. "I couldn't believe my peers were there, and to be in the same room receiving that award and Kevin Hart is there and Dave Chappelle is there, and Tiffany Haddish … god, I could keep going on. It was just amazing and Marc Maron was there, and Anna Gasteyer, Lil Rel was there … everybody was in that room that day and to receive that award for 'Stand-Up Comedian of the Year,' man … and them showing the reel that they played in front of everybody, it was like, 'F—k yeah, man. I did it.'"

Overcome with emotion in that moment, Koy said, "I cried when I was onstage, because when you do this job, a lot of people laugh. They don't know you. They're like, 'Oh yeah, you do comedy,' and so does everybody else. So does your family, so does my mom … so they could see what I could do, what I could do with the talent I had."

Howie Mandel handed him the award at the ceremony. Koy had just left Mandel's office before conducting our interview.

Among comedians, at that level especially, there's a certain camaraderie, according to Koy. They often had to keep each other company



and provide support on the way up the ladder.

"We all know each other," said Koy. "I started with Kevin. Kevin and I used to drive to gigs together. We came up together. It's crazy to see where we're all at now. There was a time where we were all driving little sh-t cars and just trying to get to a gig to fill our gas tank. It's fun to see where everyone is now."

Some might choose to simply pack away such awards in cardboard boxes or throw them into a closet. Not Koy, who keeps his out in the open to inspire his son.

"That award sits right here in my house and my son sees it every day, and it's a constant reminder that whatever you believe in, it can happen," said Koy. "You've got to believe it. Don't let that dream go and that's a perfect example of it, that award."

Throughout his career, Koy has mined his family life for a rich cavalcade of relatable jokes. Much of his material these days is generated by fatherhood and raising a millennial.

"Now I've got the money, so all the stuff I used to beg from my mom, I can afford it now, so I'm living vicariously through my son now," said Koy. "So all the stuff I wanted as a kid, I get it through my son. I know it sounds like I'm buying it for him, but I'm actually buying it for us. It's fun being a young-minded dad, not a young dad. I'm pretty old, but in my head, I'm still that kid, and now I get to hang out with son and do all the stuff I wanted to do when I was a kid because Jo is not broke."

Jo is doing quite well, actually. An appearance on "The Tonight Show" was proof of his initial success.

"'The Tonight Show' was kind of like the stamp of approval that was given to me," said Koy. "So when Jay Leno invited me over to the couch, in my head, I'm like, 'I just made it as a comic.'"

Now, Koy is one of the hottest funnymen in the world, filling huge venues to the brim, which he said still feels unreal.

"Yeah, now it feels even weirder, because now the venues are even bigger," said Koy. "I'm playing The Forum, you know what I mean? I can't believe that, the home of where the Lakers used to play. I play Chase Arena, where the Golden State Warriors play … Oh, man. I can't even name them all. Where the Sacramento Kings play, I'm playing that. In Dubai, I'm playing the Coca-Cola Arena. These are all like 18,000-seat venues, it's just all surreal now. I really can't believe this is happening, but I'm glad it is."

And there's more. His stand-up special "Jo Koy: Live from Seattle" can be streamed via Netflix, and he hosts the weekly podcast "The Koy Pond" on iTunes and Jokoy.com, where tickets for the Weidner Center show can also be purchased.

"When you're shooting something like that for a huge platform like Netflix, you have to come with it, so those specials meant a lot to me," said Koy. "I knew I had the stories. I knew I had the jokes, and I could make it happen, but I really made that happen on that first special … (for the second one) there was an added pressure there. So I'm being funny and I'm also being very worried that I won't be able to sell it."

Making podcasts has been especially enjoyable for Koy, who relishes the freedom they allow for improvisation.

"I love the fact that I can just talk," said Koy. "Like I said, one thing I really love doing is improvising and ad-libbing, so that's what the podcast does for me. I love to freestyle and come off the top of my head, and that exercises that muscle, so that's what I love about mine."

Having a comedy album, 2019's *Live from Seattle*, reach No. 1 on the Billboard charts is also something that is also astonishing for Koy. He collected them when he was young and constantly listened to one particular Eddie Murphy LP doing his "Delirious" material.

"As a kid, albums were my everything – collecting albums, I love the artwork on the album cover," said Koy. "I always thought they were cool. I'd hang them up on my wall. And here I am, I've got two of them. And it's just like I'm in awe. I can't believe it. It's so cool to have them …. I can't wait to see what they look like matted and framed. I'm going to pimp that out man."

With all that he's done, Koy can stand shoulder to shoulder with heroes like Richard Pryor. Excuse the pun, but Koy coyly talks of having something big on the horizon, but is waiting to reveal it.

Otherwise, Koy refuses to rest on his laurels. When asked his future plans, Koy responded, "Keep it moving, man. Keep it moving."

There's no point in slowing down.

O&AW



“That award sits right here in my house and my son sees it every day, and it’s a constant reminder that whatever you believe in, it can happen.”

– Jo Koy

Photo credit Mandee Johnson.

Wisconsin Oktoberfest and Fall Festivals

BY TODD HAEFER

Oktoberfest is a festival with royal origins that has become a Wisconsin tradition due to the state's large German ethnic heritage.

It's no wonder that the state this time of year is filled with the smells of sizzling sausages, spicy sauerkraut, spanferkel (spit-roasted pork), sauerbraten (beef and red wine) and schnitzel (breaded veal or pork with a gravy).

What else is in the air? The sounds of polka music.

The original Oktoberfest was started Oct. 12, 1810, in Munich, Germany, with an estimated attendance of around 40,000. It marked the marriage of Prince Ludwig, who later became king, to Princess Therese. The Munich Oktoberfest is now the largest festival in the world, drawing more than 6 million visitors with nearly 2 million gallons of beer consumed. The 186th Oktoberfest was held this year.

While current Oktoberfests bring to mind beer, brats and polka, horse races were a large part of the original Munich festival. Although beer stands were set up, beer tents and halls were not added to the event until 1896. Many of Germany's breweries now host a tent, including Spatenbrau, Paulaner, Hacker-Pschorr, Augustiner and Lowenbrau.

Waves of German immigrants came to Wisconsin in the 1800s escaping agricultural failures, wars and religious prosecution. Around 1900, nearly a third of all Wisconsin residents had been born in Germany. Today, about 42 percent of Wisconsinites – more than 2 million people - have German family history.

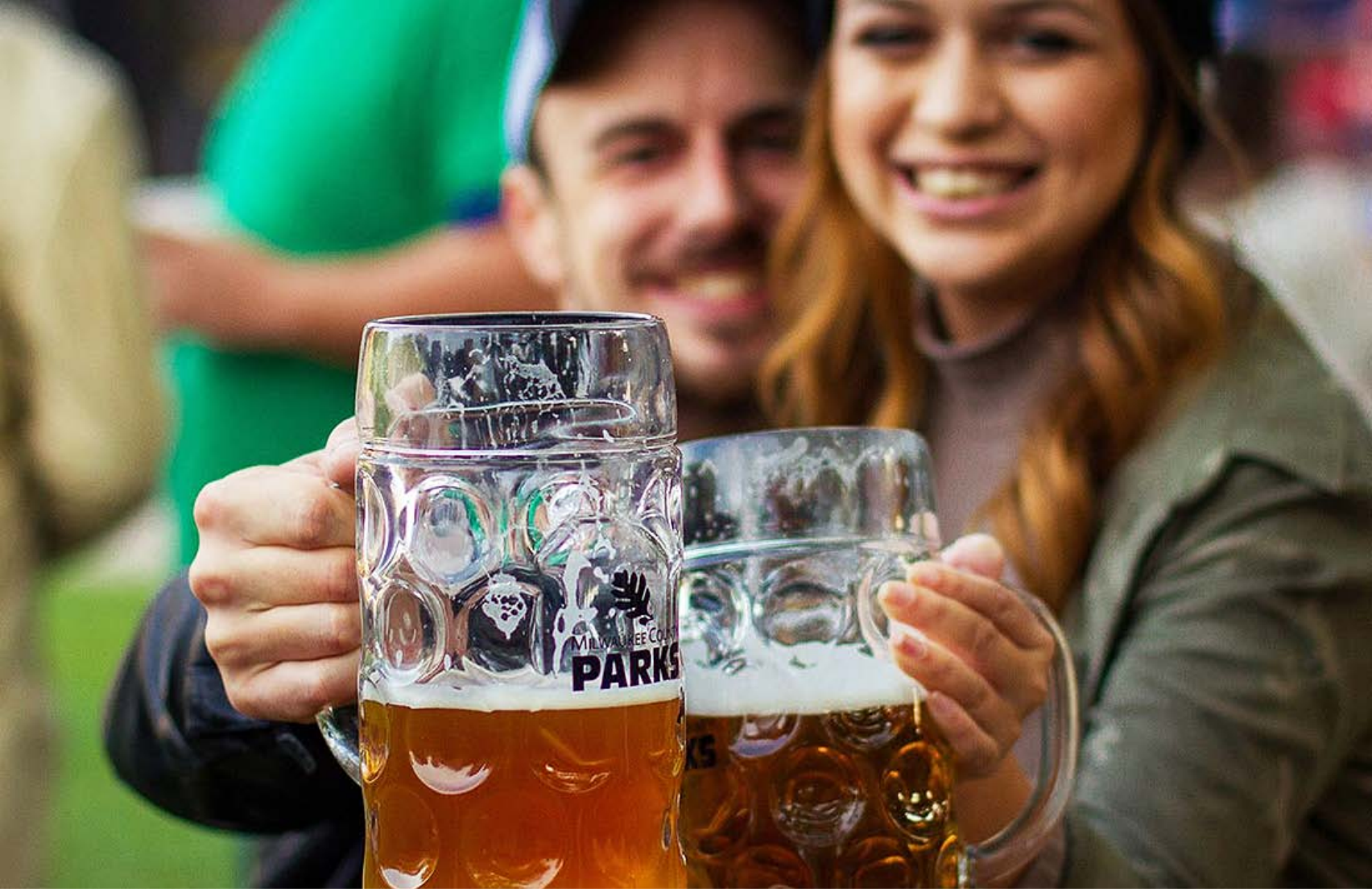
It was only natural that the immigrants brought their customs with them, which included celebrating Oktoberfest.

Each Wisconsin celebration has its own unique flavor – I've seen tuba players in polka bands approach their instrument with the wild abandon of Jimi Hendrix, heard Brave Combo do a polka version of The Doors,' "People Are Strange," witnessed the art of Aperschnalzen or Goasslschnoizen, otherwise known as whip cracking, usually set to music; and sampled a dozen Oktoberfest beers in one sitting.

Oktoberfests in Wisconsin have been enhanced by the microbrewery explosion that started in the 1980s. Today, most local breweries offer Oktoberfest beers, which are defined by the addition of the unique-tasting Vienna malt that gives the beer an amber color and distinct flavor. Many of them are as good as the German imports, due to their freshness and attention to quality.

There is much more to German beer than the Oktoberfest style, however; this season provides the perfect opportunity to sample lagers, pilsners, dopplebocks, weiss, dunkel, schwarzbier and other traditional German brews, both local and imported.

The following is a roundup of October dates for Wisconsin Oktoberfest and other fall festival events.



10th Annual Milwaukee Oktoberfest

Friday-Sunday, Oct. 4-6, 10th Annual Milwaukee Oktoberfest, downtown Milwaukee. German music, cornholse contest, traditional German food, stein hosting competition, wiener dog races, brat eating contest, more. **www.milwaukeeoktoberfest.com**.

Al and Al's Oktoberfest

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 4-5, Al and Al's Oktoberfest, Al and Al's Stein Haus, Sheboygan, Traditional keg tapping, music, German food, wiener dog races and folk dancers. **www.alnals.com**.

Cedarburg Oktoberfest

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 5-6, Cedarburg Oktoberfest, Community Center Parking Lot. Authentic German bands including Pommersche Tanzdeel Dancers, Tuba Dan, the Alte Kameraden Band and D' Lustig'n Wendlstoana. Specialty beers from Hofbrau, Hacker Pschorr, Leinenkugel and Blue Moon. Authentic German dinners include wiener schnitzel, bratwurst, currywurst and other dishes. Live Glockenspiel show every two hours. Contests and games available for all ages including a sheepshead tournament (Sunday), best Lederhosen/ Dirndl contest, sauerkraut-eating contest and German Spelling Bee. Cars owned by members of the Milwaukee Region Porsche Club of America will be displayed from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday. **www.cedarburgfestival.org/oktoberfest**.

Oshkosh Docktoberfest

Saturday, Oct. 5, Oshkosh Docktoberfest, Dockside Tavern Festival Hall, Music by Mike Kolb Band, Tuba Dan, Baskapelle Milwaukee and Copper Box. Cornhole Tourney, stein holding, costume and frankfurter eating contests. **www.oshkoshdocktoberfest.com.**

Oktoberfest

Saturday, Oct. 5, Dallas Oktoberfest (Barron County), pancake breakfast, arts and crafts, baseball, car show, beer at Valkyrie Taproom, food vendors, costume contests, car show, weiner dog races, raffles and more. **www.valkyriebrewery.com/ofest.htm**.



Fall Festival of Color

Sunday, Oct. 6, Fall Festival of Color, downtown Lake Mills. More than 150 vendors selling local produce, artwork, crafts, baked goods and more. Food, live music and kids' activities. **lakemills.org**.

Our Lady of Lourdes Oktoberfest Artisan Fair

Friday-Sunday, Oct. 11-13, Our Lady of Lourdes Oktoberfest Artisan Fair, Milwaukee, primarily an arts and crafts fair with handcrafted products and quality art, with a beer garden, entertainment and food. **www.ololmke.org/oktoberfest**.

Sparta Fall Fest

Saturday, Oct. 12, Sparta Fall Fest, Mueller Square. Pet parade, pie contest, mustache completion, vendors and more. **www.facebook.com/events/sparta-area-chamber-of-commerce/sparta-fall-fest/139911509953372.**

Lake Geneva Oktoberfest

Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 12-13, Lake Geneva Oktoberfest. The annual Oktoberfest. Family-friendly fall festival with live music, food, craft booths, wagon hayrides, pony rides, bouncy castle and other kids activities. Don't miss the great pumpkin giveaway! Free shuttle pickup and drop off from select parking locations. **www.facebook.com/events/streets-of-lake-geneva/lake-geneva-oktoberfest-2019/865327457192825**.

Oktoberfest Fundraiser

Saturday, Oct. 19, Oktoberfest Fundraiser, Evansville, Wis., craft beer and cider tastings at Creekside Place. **www.creeksideplace.org/oktoberfest.html**.

Elkhorn Oktoberfest

Saturday, Oct. 19, Elkhorn Oktoberfest, Wisconsin Street, more than 100 arts and crafts booths, car show, chili cookoff, music. **www.facebook.com/ElkhornOktoberfest**.

Oktoberfest isn't the only reason Wisconsin festivals are held in fall. Harvests of apples and cranberries are also celebrated.

Bayfield Apple Festival

Friday-Sunday, Oct. 4-6, Bayfield Apple Festival, celebration of the autumn harvest and Bayfield's agricultural past, with visits to orchards and wineries, arts and crafts, food, live music and a carnival. **bayfield.org/festivals-events/bayfield-apple-festival.**

Thorp Pumpkin Fest

Saturday, Oct. 5, Thorp Pumpkin Fest, in downtown Thorp featuring fall produce, Civil War and French and Indian War reenactments, wagon and pony rides, contests featuring pumpkin recipes, carving, painting, eating, seed spitting and more. 130-plus arts, crafts and food vendors. **www.facebook.com/ThorpPumpkinfest**.

Eagle River Cranberry Fest

Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 5-6, Eagle River Cranberry Fest, more than 40,000 people attend this event at the Vilas County Fairgrounds. Tours of cranberry marshes, world's largest cranberry cheesecake and other cranberry foods, arts and crafts. **eagleriver.org/featured/cranberry-fest**.

Stone Lake Cranberry Festival

Saturday, Oct. 5, Stone Lake Cranberry Festival, Washburn County, more than 30,000 visitors have attended the event held since 1978. Cranberry marsh tours, parade, baking contests, arts and crafts. **stonelakecranberryfestival.com.**

Sister Bay Fall Fest

Friday-Sunday, Oct. 18-20, Sister Bay Fall Fest. Arts and crafts fair, music, local food, car show, fish boil parade on Saturday. **cometosisterbay.com/festivals-and-events/fall-fest**.





The Copper Dock

A supper club for every season.

BY DAVID BRIERLEY

In southeastern Wisconsin, just a few miles from Holy Hill Basilica, is a 121-acre body of water called Friess Lake. On the southeastern shore of that lake sits a charming, two-story building with blue siding and neatly trimmed landscaping. A sign out front tells you that you have arrived at The Copper Dock Supper Club.

The building itself is relatively large and features a decent sized bar, two dining rooms, and a large deck overlooking the water. The main dining room features floor-to-ceiling windows offering more amazing views of the water, and both dining rooms feature fireplaces.

When you first walk in the door you'll be in the bar area, greeted immediately by the host desk, with the bar itself to your right. To your left is one of the dining rooms, which also houses the salad bar. Straight ahead, the bar is separated from the main dining room by only a half wall, giving the restaurant an open concept and allowing views through those huge dining room windows you can enjoy from the bar.

The name Copper Dock is an interesting one, but once you hear its origins, it makes a lot of sense. Per the supper club's website: "When the sun sets in the west, the reflection of the lake is the most gorgeous copper tone. The copper reflection leads you right to our east shore – like a welcome dock."

While the name may be based on the colors of the sunset reflected on the water, the Copper Dock takes it literally as well. Lots of little details are finished in actual copper - from the bar top, to the coat racks made of copper piping, to the salt and pepper shakers on each table.



Three cool features:

1. Incredible year-round views
2. Copper accents
3. Private water ski show in the summer



The Copper Dock is one supper club for which you should definitely make reservations in advance; it's a popular place. When you arrive for the evening, check in at the host desk, and grab a seat at the bar. The bartenders make a great old fashioned (and any other drinks you may want), and are friendly and easy to talk to.

When your table is ready, you'll be led right to it - and hopefully it offers that amazing lake view. A seat in either dining room is a treat, but it's hard to beat the views from those huge windows looking out on the lake. Take a look at the menu and see what type of delight you're in the mood for.

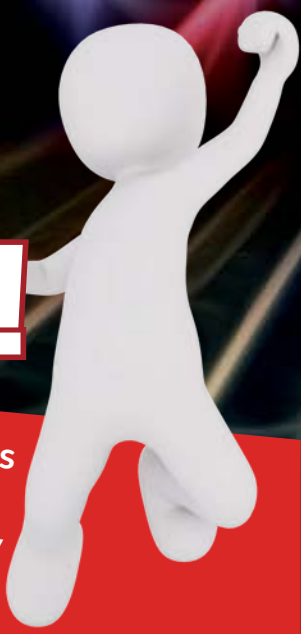
This supper club offers several steaks (I'm not usually a tenderloin person, but man - this one is a melt-in-your-mouth piece of deliciousness), seafood, ribs, duck, and lamb. The appetizers and lighter entrees are plentiful as well, and the salad bar is always popular.

The Copper Dock is closed on Mondays (in true supper club form), but every day they are open they offer an all-you-can-eat option. Are you up for the challenge? Tuesday is baby back ribs, Wednesday is

OUT & ABOUT wisconsin

wants to make you a

Winner!



Always have a list of things you like to do right in your hand & automatically be entered to win in our monthly prize drawings.

Magazine

Notification of when each new issue hits the newsstands.

Live Music Weekly

Get 100+ listings of live music at area* establishments each Thursday.

Family Fun Weekly

Get listings of area* kid and family friendly events each Wednesday.

*Cities in area include, but are not limited to:
Appleton | Green Bay | Marshfield | Menasha
Neenah | Oshkosh | Stevens Point | Waupaca
Wausau | Wisconsin Rapids and more

Click above to sign up for any of our **FREE** regularly scheduled and special edition eMails

Current prize details for the month are listed on each sign up form page. No purchase necessary. All prizes drawn at random from list of active subscribers at the time of drawing.

Start your holiday planning with one thing already checked off your list.

"It's all in the dough..."

that's the family secret that has been making Crystal Cafe's pies "to die for" the last 50 years.

All pies are made with a homemade, hand rolled crust to ensure tender and flaky perfection.
Only all pure and natural ingredients are allowed: NEVER any preservatives and NEVER any canned fruit or filling.

Take a drive to our little cafe in the tiny village of Iola and taste the difference for yourself!

Order your Holiday Pies today!



CRYSTAL CAFE — PIES 2 DIE 4

(715) 445-9227
126 N Main St, Iola, WI 54945
Open 6:30am-7pm

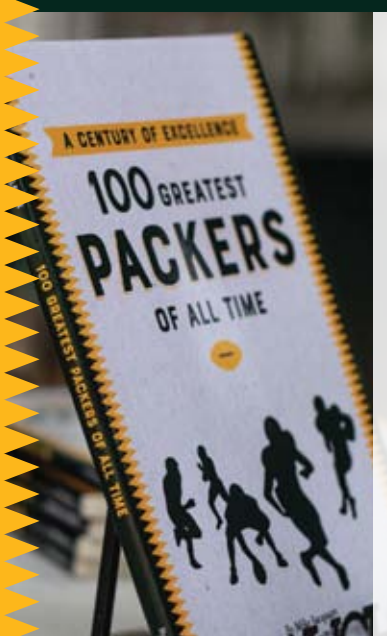
Serve our pie from your holiday table – just call to order!

BEST HOMEMADE PIE — OFFICIAL BEST OF — WISCONSIN 2018

PAPERBACK BOOK | 118 PAGES | ISBN: 978-1797879765

A CENTURY OF EXCELLENCE: 100 GREATEST PACKERS OF ALL TIME

By Mike Jacquart, design by Shawn Williams



The Green Bay Packers have 100 seasons of Pro Football excitement and drama under their belt, but who are the greatest 100 Packers of all time?

- *Available on Amazon at:* bit.ly/100GreatestPackers
- *For a personalized, signed copy, snail mail a check for $17.00 to:* Mike Jacquart, 395 Grove St., Iola, WI 54945

snow crab with live music on the deck during the summer months, Thursday is build-your-own pasta, Friday is … you guessed it: fish, Saturday is prime rib, and Sunday is fried chicken. With all these all-you-can-eat options, there's a reason to come back every day they're open.

As many supper clubs are beginning to do in response to the mid-morning meal's rising popularity, the Copper Dock offers brunch on Sundays. They feature made-to-order omelettes, a carving station, several egg dishes, seafood, pasta, bacon, sausage, french toast, potato options, and homemade desserts. I could never say no to a brunch spread like that.

Like the bartenders, the wait staff clearly knows what they're doing, and they're attentive, friendly, and helpful. Your food, delivered with a flourish, along with the white linen tablecloths, reminds you that this is a special experience, and one you'll want to revisit again and again.

Delicious desserts are also available, as well as after dinner drinks a-plenty, so save room, if you can. If not, just keep it in mind for your next visit.

My favorite part about the Copper Dock is that it makes me want to visit year-round. Its location on the water gives it an almost yacht club type atmosphere in the summer. The outdoor deck offers festive bistro lights and plenty of tables for dining, and there are seating areas along the lake side of the supper club for pre- or post-dinner cocktails while visiting with friends.

Another summer treat, as one of the bartenders told me, is that there is an informal private water ski show of sorts most evenings during the spring and summer. One of the residents of the lake practices water skiing starting early in the spring,













all summer, and late into the fall. She can be seen most days skimming past the supper club.

During fall, the leaves surrounding Friess Lake turn brilliant colors. The lake becomes a giant mirror, reflecting those colors across the water and providing spectacular views from the Copper Dock.

Winter brings another season of magic, as every corner of the supper club gets decked out for the holidays. There are pine boughs, nutcrackers, and holiday lights galore, transforming it into something of a winter wonderland. Views of the frozen lake covered in snow can't be bad, either.

And as winter gives way to spring, the grounds of the Copper Dock begin to green up, the ice recedes from the lake, and the views are, once again, unbeatable. Clearly, this is a place to visit often, if you can.

If you haven't already, don't forget to join our Supper Club VIP group; you'll be entered in our monthly drawing for a $50 gift card to an area supper club. As always there will be plenty more Supper Club fun to come. ■ **O&AW**

Where in Wisconsin is this supper club?
1474 E Friess Lake Dr, Hubertus, WI 53033
Nearby landmarks: Holy Hill Basilica is about 15 minutes to the west

Five haunted restaurants to visit in October

October is a magical month. The air becomes cool and crisp, the leaves change color and drop. It's the month of campfires, hoodies, hayrides, and pumpkins. But most importantly, it's the month of everything spooky: corn mazes, horror movies, scary costumes and … haunted houses.

These five restaurants may not all be supper clubs, but they're worth checking out if you're in the mood for a side of eerie with your dinner. See how many you can visit this month ... if you dare. Check out the map by clicking here.

THE PLACE: LITTLE BOHEMIA LODGE, Manitowish Waters, WI. The site of John Dillinger and the Dillinger Gang's epic shootout with the FBI, the Lodge is also the modern day filming location for the Universal Studios film starring Johnny Depp as John Dillinger, Public Enemies. **LittleBohemiaLodge.com**

THE HAUNTING: The lodge is believed to be haunted by a civilian who was accidentally shot by the FBI during the shootout. Guests at the lodge have reported hearing unexplained noises, seeing apparitions and have items and furniture moved around their rooms.

THE PLACE: THE COTTAGE CAFE, Plover, WI. This house was built in the 1850s, and has had 12 owners. It was a hotel in 1888, and a restaurant from 1982 until 2001. It reopened in 2013 and has remained open since. **CottageCafePlover.com**

THE HAUNTING: The restaurant was originally called the Sherman House Restaurant, but closed due to paranormal activity. Glass windows had a habit of shattering, glasses and plates would fly off bars and counters and explode in front of customers. Doors opened and closed by themselves and lights in the offices and the restaurant refused to behave normally. At one point, employees even complained that invisible forms brushed past them in some of the rooms. The restaurant has now reopened.

THE PLACE: FORK IN THE ROAD RESTAURANT, Mukwonago, WI. An easy-going bistro with a scratch kitchen specializing in American comfort food, craft beers, and cocktails. **ForkintheRoadRestaurant.com**

THE HAUNTING: Once called Inn the Olden Days, the Fork in the Road Restaurant used to be a tavern in its early days. This may explain the ghostly footsteps and the sound of pool balls hitting each other and rolling across the floor. Vaporous clouds and voices also have been seen and heard in the storage areas.

THE PLACE: THE WALKER HOUSE, Mineral Point, WI. Carved into the same hillside rock from which mineral ore was first discovered and mined in the 1820s, the Walker House stands proud as one of the oldest, most unique and beautiful buildings in the United States. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Walker House includes 42 rooms covering almost 16,000 square feet, and it sits on the south side of historic Mineral Point, in the Midwest's driftless region. The Walker House is an inn and restaurant. **TheWalkerHouse.org**

THE HAUNTING: The magnificent stone hotel and restaurant dates back to the 1800s. It is said that the hauntings here may stem from a man during that century who was hanged from a tree outside by an angry mob after he stole a horse from his neighbor. Witnesses to the hauntings have seen floating heads and felt cold gusts, and the mischievous spirit is said to play tricks such as locking employees in the walk-in freezer.

THE PLACE: NELSEN'S HALL BITTERS PUB AND RESTAURANT, Washington Island, WI. A historic island landmark established in 1899, Nelsen's serves a home style menu: famous prime rib, steaks, chicken, and pasta dishes. They have daily specials, homemade pizza, soup, and a salad bar. **WashingtonIsland.com**

THE HAUNTING: Nelsen's Hall Bitters Pub and Restaurant is housed in a historic building and sells the drink used as a "tonic" (wink) during the prohibition era. It is said to be haunted by the spirit of namesake Tom Nelsen, the Danish man who got a pharmaceutical license to serve his tonic at the establishment. Staff says they have heard footsteps on the stairs and seen unexplained things, like doors closing by themselves.

Haunting reports from HauntedPlaces.org

OCTOBER 2019

EVENTS CALENDAR

OCTOBER 1-20

Hamilton
HAMILTON is the story of America's Founding Father Alexander Hamilton, an immigrant from the West Indies who became George Washington's right-hand man during the Revolutionary War and was the new nation's first Treasury Secretary. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, blues, rap, R&B, and Broadway, HAMILTON is the story of America then, as told by America now. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, 400 W. College Ave, Appleton; 920-730-3760; http://foxcitiespac.com/events-tickets/tickets/events/hamilton/hamilton-22

OCTOBER 2

Put Your Garden to Bed
Lisa Stubbe, Landscape Artisans Learn what Green Bay gardener Lisa Stubbe does to put her garden to bed before a blanket of winter cold drapes the landscape. She'll share her experience gardening and landscaping in the Green Bay area. 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm; $5/GBBG Member; $7/General Public; Green Bay Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Rd, Green Bay; https://gbbg.org/event/put-your-garden-to-bed/?instance_id=3367

Abby Spencer at Balanced Rock Winery
Sip on some wine and enjoy live music by Abby Spencer at Balanced Rock Winery! 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm; Balanced Rock Winery, 1065 Walnut Street, Baraboo; https://www.facebook.com/BalancedRockWinery/

OCTOBER 2-6

Run for Your Wife
A fast-paced, outrageous comedy about a cab driver who lives a very ordinary life, with the exception that he has two wives! Complication piles upon hilarious complication as the cabby tries to keep his double life from exploding. The Palace Theater, 564 Wisconsin Dells Parkway South, Wisconsin Dells; 608-253-4000; https://www.dellspalace.com/nowplaying/run-for-your-wife

OCTOBER 3

Trash Trail Tour
When your trash is taken "away" from your home or business, where does it go? This tour will show you where "away" is in Portage County! Gain firsthand knowledge of your trash trail. Local waste experts will be there to answer your waste and recycling questions. $30; 12:30 pm to 5:30 pm; O'so Taproom (departing from and ending there), 3028 Village Park, Plover; 715-343-0722; https://www.recyclingconnections.org/trash-trail-tour

The Hits of Boston & Styx Featuring David Victor formerly of Boston
Lead vocalist and guitarist David Victor, who performed on two North American tours and recorded a #1 hit with the multi-platinum band BOSTON, will bring his world-class musicians to the LTCA stage where they'll re-create the best-loved hits of BOSTON and STYX. Tickets start at $35; 7:00 pm; LuCille Tack Center for the Arts, 400 N. School St., Spencer; 715-659-4499; https://lucilletackcenter.com/events/hits-of-boston-styx.php

Honors on the Fox
A wonderful evening to celebrate the worldwide community of creating paper. We will be inducting 3 people into the Paper Hall of Fame from Italy, Canada and New Zealand. 5:30 pm; Red Lion Paper Valley Hotel, 333 W. College Ave, Appleton; https://www.paperdiscoverycenter.org/

Before You Go…
While we make every effort to ensure that all of the information listed here is correct, please keep in mind that changes can occur between the time we compile the calendar and the time it is published. As we all know, things happen! So we will always include a phone number and/or web address for each event. We encourage you to verify times, dates and locations before traveling long distances.



LuCille Tack Center for the ARTS

October 3rd @ 7:00 pm

Lucille Tack Center for the Arts, Spencer

The Hits of Boston & Styx

Featuring David Victor formerly of Boston

https://lucilletackcenter.com/events/hits-of-boston-styx.php

OCTOBER 3-6

Ken Ludwig's Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery

Get your deerstalker cap on — the play's afoot! Comedic genius Ken Ludwig (Lend Me a Tenor, Moon Over Buffalo) transforms Arthur Conan Doyle's classic The Hound of the Baskervilles into a murderously funny adventure. Sherlock Holmes is on the case. 7:30 pm, Sunday Matinees 2:00 pm; WRCT Auditorium, Centralia Center, 220 3rd Ave. S., Wisconsin Rapids; http://www.wrctheatre.org/PLAY-Baskerville.asp

Fall Ford Fest 2019

Join fellow Ford enthusiasts as they stampede intot he Dells from across the country for a weekend of golf, cruises, track time and car & truck show. Hosted by Cruise for a Cause, cruising to support breast and prostate cancer research. https://www.cruise4acause.org/schedule?fbclid=IwAR28Tgp6VQZt4HFo5p9MzdGrRru8n1e54iHrPqMzK5Cl8ess75l4jVwVD-4

OCTOBER 4

Live Music: Tae

Tae is back! Get ready for another great night of solo-acoustic originals, a few crowd familiar tunes, and some beverages. Tae's soulful kind of story telling stands as a force to inspire social change and bring awareness to matters ranging from micro to macro. 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm; Elbow Room, 1321 Second Street, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/2562239863839424/

Joe Nichols

American country music singer and songwriter. Tickets start at $19.95; 8:00 pm; Crystal Grand Music Theatre, 430 W. Munroe Ave., Wisconsin Dells; 877-987-6487; https://www.crystalgrand.com/event/1862335-joe-nichols-wisconsin-dells/

Shoestring Joe and the Star Thief at MST

Shoestring Joe and the Star Thief is an original band out of Wausau WI. Kicking down the imaginary doors in your mind with that funkgrass. 10:00 pm to 1:00 am; Main Street Taps, 956 Main St, Stevens Point; 715-544-6500; https://www.facebook.com/events/2309231615813155/

Brett Newski & the No Tomorrow at Riverfront Terrace

Known as the first band ever to be kicked out of Wal-Mart for playing an illegal show, Brett Newski & the No Tomorrow bring a 90's alternative sound to Riverfront Terrace this Fall! Free; 4:30 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

Sam Ness at Balanced Rock Winery

Sip on some wine and enjoy live music by Sam Ness at Balanced Rock Winery! 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm; Balanced Rock Winery, 1065 Walnut Street, Baraboo; https://www.facebook.com/BalancedRockWinery/

Them Coulee Boys

Them Coulee Boys craft a brand of Americana that blends punk, bluegrass, and rock & roll. Somewhere underneath the energy, the exuberance, the wit, and the passion of Them Coulee Boys lies a heart. It's a heart filled with sincerity, honesty, and the will to make the world a better place. 8:00 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 715-842-0988; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2409

OCTOBER 4

Downtown Friday Nights - Blaine Howard • Adam Bluhm

Join us for a night of storytelling and songs with Blaine Howard and Adam Bluhm 'Musician'! $5 suggested donation; 7:00 pm; Wenzel Family Plaza, Marshfield; http://www.facebook.com/events/344058526234283/

OCTOBER 4-5

Chain O' Lakes Blues Festival

The history of the Indian Crossing Casino will come alive this fall at the Chain O' Lakes Blues Festival October 4th and 5th on the shores of the beautiful Waupaca Chain O' Lakes located in central Wisconsin. https://waupacamemories.com/?post_type=event&p=1338

Creepy Crawlies Halloween Event

Activities for everyone include live owls, storytelling, and a horse pulled hayride lit by jack o lanterns. Try our fun and spooky haunted trail. Little Spooks trail for kids 5 and under. $10/person advanced purchase $11/person online. 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Heckrodt Wetland Reserve, 1305 Plank Rd., Menasha; https://www.heckrodtnaturecenter.org/

OCTOBER 4-6

Hidden Studios Art Tour

Generally considered the peak fall foliage weekend in central Wisconsin, it is also the only weekend of the year that the Hidden Studios open their doors to the public. Visit working artist studios, showcasing 20 artists. Free, self-guided: spend the day or the weekend. Explore winding roads, quaint communities and fine art while discovering the Hidden Studios More info about artists, sponsors, food and lodging, and a map can be found on the website. Free; Friday and Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and Sunday 11:00 am to 4:00 pm; Along the Ice Age Trail, Near Amherst; 715-366-7863; http://www.hiddenstudiosarttour.com/



Rising Star Mill Open House

Featuring "The Barns of Portage County". Scheduled to coincide with The Hidden Studio Art Tour, our Open House will once again feature this photographic exhibit of area barns. It has been a very popular show for the last 9 years and promises to be a visual treat once again. Stop by, enjoy the artwork, explore our historic mill and enjoy refreshments in the FEED SACK room - B-Qs on Friday and Saturday, light refreshments on Sunday. 11:00 am to 4:00 pm; Portage County Historical Society Site - Rising Star Mill, 3190 County Highway Q, Nelsonville; http://www.pchswi.org/events/mill_events.htm

OCTOBER 5

2nd Annual Cornhole Tournament

Sign in starts at 2:00pm BAGS, BEER, FOOD, RAFFLES, DOOR PRIZES, & MUSIC; 2:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Ice Hawks Arena, 801 Badger Avenue, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/404907580376713/

Elsie Binx & Tony Frey

Detroit's hottest unsigned rock band, ELSIE BINX returns to Goodfellas Pub with Marshfield's very own Tony Frey! $5 cover. 9:00 pm to 1:00 am; Goodfellas Pub, Marshfield; http://www.facebook.com/events/307495866815595/

Oktoberfest

Enjoy three great polka bands, including: Neal Zunker & Music Connection, New Generation and Box On. And plan to dance on the large wooden dance floor. $15; 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Lake Arrowhead Golf at 1195 Apache Lane, Nekoosa; 715-421-7488; https://www.aspirus.org/aspirus-riverview-foundation-events

Gallery Walk

Oshkosh galleries and businesses open their doors to feature artwork of all varieties and genres. Come join the hundreds of other art lovers who make Oshkosh the place to be. Free; 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Throughout Downtown Oshkosh; https://www.gallerywalkoshkosh.com/

96.9 The Fox Presents: Altoberfest 2019

Purchase your tickets to get access to see Kulick, Paper Jackets, Friday Pilots Club and Meg Myers at The Howard in Oshkosh! $50 and $90 for VIP; 6:30 pm to 11:30 pm; 405 Washington Avenue, Oshkosh;

http://www.fox969.com/2019/08/12/altoberfest-2019/

Blacker Brothers Band at Riverfront Terrace

6:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

66TH ANNUAL HARVEST OF HARMONY

Come enjoy the pleasing harmony of Barbershop harmony singing by the Northern Gateway Chorus. The chorus will present its annual show in Sentry Theater @1800 performing male a capella singing, with special guest quartets to be announced. $16 adults, $13 seniors, $5 students; 3:00 pm to 7:30 pm; Sentry Theater @1800, 1800 Northpoint Drive, Stevens Point; 715-340-1970; https://www.facebook.com/Northern-Gateway-Chorus-330190073667901/

Haunted Hearthstone - Sequential Killers of the Victorian Age - Part II

Back by popular demand ... another theatrical glimpse into the 19th century beginnings of serial murder investigation through the eyes of detectives, the victims, and the perpetrators who stalked them! 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Hearthstone Historic House Museum, 625 W. Prospect Ave., Appleton; https://www.hearthstonemuseum.org/

Harvest Fest

Partnering with multiple businesses and organizations, we will have an entire day of activities for you, including: Ministry Health Care Pumpkin Patch, Kid's Tractor Pedal Pull, Horse-drawn wagon rides, Animals, Free art projects, Professional pumpkin carving demos, Face Painting, and so much more! 400 Block, Wausau; https://www.wausauevents.org/harvest-fest.html

Kiwanis Enormous Equipment Playground (KEEP)

KEEP is a family event where children of all ages can get a close a view of construction, farming and public service vehicles and equipment, as well as vehicles unique to trades - and even get a chance to sit in the driver's seat. KEEP also engages the kids in numerous hands-on activities. Admission: Ages 1-12: $3.00, Ages 13 and older: $5. Food concessions and souvenirs are also on site; 10:00 am to 4:00 pm; Marshfield Fairgrounds Park; http://www.facebook.com/events/2282811778636229/

Premier Party

Annual event to support to Fox Cities Sexual Assault Crisis Center (SACC) with family fun all day! Brat fry, dunk tank, Fro-doughs from Crazy Sweet, giant tricycle races, and much more fun. 3:00 pm to 8:30 pm; Fred Astaire Dance Studios-Appleton, 2021 N Casaloma Dr, Appleton; 920-707-3111; https://www.facebook.com/events/760991434320893/

TEDxOshkosh

By locating issues and speakers with a local connection, TEDxOshkosh gives a worldwide stage to local voices and topics. TEDxOshkosh speakers must follow the revolutionary TED Talk format with a maximum talk time of 18-minutes, a focus on powerful storytelling, and the result is an inspirational day of ideas and discussion. Come for the talks, but the TEDxOshkosh experience is so much more! 8:30 am; The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave, Oshkosh; 920-424-2350; https://thegrandoshkosh.org/non-subscription-events/tedxoshkosh.html

Northeast Wisconsin Craft Beer Festival

In true, outdoor beer garden style, we're moving the party outside this year! Raise your stein, it's drinking time! With more than 200 beers, 50 breweries and unlimited sampling, you're bound to have fun. Beer enthusiasts will receive a sampling glass and have access to unlimited two-ounce samples of beer. $59 advance, $64 at the door; ReschCenter, 820 Armed Forces Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; https://www.reschcenter.com/events/detail/northeast-wisconsin-craft-beer-festival-1

Annual Pie Social

Don't miss this annual pie social. Funds raised go toward the continued renovation of this historic church, which is located in beautiful glacial country, and which is also "on the trail of the Hidden Studios Tour." 11:00 am to 4:00 pm; South New Hope Church, 1410 County Road T, Amherst Jct; 715-824-2509; http://www.southnewhope.org/events.html

CENWISPEX 2019 Stamp Show

Central Wisconsin Stamp Club. Exhibits and bourse. Free; 10:00 am to 4:00 pm; Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, 1001 Amber Avenue, Stevens Point; 715-341-5555; https://www.facebook.com/cenwistampclub/

Civic Symphony of Green Bay

The Civic Symphony of Green Bay opens their 25th anniversary season with Beethoven and Lalo. This concert features world renouned violinist, Wen-Lei Gu, on Lalo's Symphonie Espangnole. CSGB will also perform Fanfare to the Northern Sky by Charles Young, Beethoven's Symphony no. 3 "Eroica", and Passion for the String Orchestra by SeongHee Moon. $18.00 - Adult, $15.00 - Senior 60+, $10 - Youth/College w/ ID; 7:00 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/civic-symphony-of-green-bay-2019-10-05/

OCTOBER 5

Live Music: Soul Whiskey
Soul Whiskey is an acoustic group from Central Wisconsin with influences that include: Brantley Gilbert, Jason Aldean, Cole Swindell, Jake Owen, Blake Shelton, Brett Eldredge. 9:30 pm to 12:30 am; Main Street Taps, 956 Main Street, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/467107207209926/

Portage/Waupaca Ice Age Trail Fall Hike-A-Thon
A great way to spend a day with family and friends. $5 per person or $15 per family of 4 or more, $3/school or youth group; 8:30 am; Iola Winter Sports Club, E398 County Hwy MM, Iola; http://www.portagecoiat.org/

Wisconsin Solar Tour
See solar panels up close, ask questions about how solar works, learn about why people in your community made the choice to go solar, and connect with other people in your community who support solar energy. Free; 10:00 am to 4:00 pm; HomeOwner at 3266 Oak Avenue, 3266 Oak Ave, Stevens Point; 715-824-2069; https://www.midwestrenew.org/solartour/

OCTOBER 6

Copper Feather Workshop
Award-winning artist and creator of the Copper Meaning Feather, Kami Strunsee of Timber Lane Studio guides you through the process of creating a beautiful copper feather utilizing cold-formed metal techniques. $65; 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm; Sunset Point Winery, 1201 Water Street, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/396187724587256/

Organ Concert by Isabelle Demers
Isabelle Demers' performances possess "bracing virtuosity" (Chicago Classical Review), and she enraptures listeners worldwide with spell-binding performances. Born in Quebec and a graduate of the famed Juilliard School in New York City, Dr. Demers is now Head of the Organ Department at Baylor University in Texas. Free; 3:00 pm; Zion Lutheran Church, 709 6th Street, Wausau; 715-848-7286; https://zionlutheranwausau.com/

Kurt Funfsinn at Riverfront Terrace
12:00 pm to 3:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

Greenville 45th Annual Fall Craft Fair
Annual show featuring handmade arts & crafts, produce, bakery. Inside & outside. Rain or shine. Free Admission. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; 920-757-5661; http://www.greenvillelions.org/

Bourbon, Bacon & Beer Fest
What do you have when you take one of the most loved breakfast meats and celebrate it along with beer and bourbon enthusiasts? You get an amazing event at Nutz Deep II in Marshfield! Tickets- $30 in advance and $35 at the door; 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm; Nutz Deep II, Marshfield; http://www.facebook.com/events/632058710631613/

Sound 8 Orchestra at Renee's Red Rooster
9:00 am; Renee's Red Rooster Bar and Grill, Highway 66 West, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/2292057777680751/

OCTOBER 7

Ghost: The Ultimate Tour Named Death
The Swedish-born Tobias Forge, who has been referred to as "the Andrew Lloyd Webber of rock," is Ghost's creative force, singer, songwriter, musician, and architect of the elaborate storylines that are woven through the band's four full-length studio albums, EPs, music videos, webisodes, and live shows, all of which advance the Ghost storyline. Tickets start at $29.50; 7:30 pm; ReschCenter, 820 Armed Forces Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; https://www.reschcenter.com/events/detail/ghost

OCTOBER 8

Rent: 20th Anniversary Tour
In 1996, an original rock musical by a little-known composer opened on Broadway...and forever changed the landscape of American theatre. Two decades later, Jonathan Larson's RENT continues to speak loudly and defiantly to audiences across generations and all over the world. And now, this Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award winning masterpiece returns to the stage in a vibrant 20th anniversary touring production. $70; 7:30 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 888-239-0421; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2438

"Y100 Bra Country Concert" Benefits: Spierings Cancer Foundation
Suddenly a creative incubator for four friends was turning into Gone West, a fresh harmony, breezy melody group whose myriad influences landed somewhere between Laurel Canyon, Texas roadhouses, Appalachia's harmony and the plains of the Midwest. $30 General Admission Seating; 7:00 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/y100-bra-country-concert-benefits-spierings-cancer-foundation-2019-10-08/

The Gift of Poetry
Sandy Johnson, Author & Retired Teacher Anyone can be a poet! Start your poetry journey by learning



the process of writing the Japanese style poem of Haiku. $21/GBBG Member; $25/General Public; 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Green Bay Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Road, Green Bay; https://gbbg.org/event/gift-of-poetry/?instance_id=3369

Drink & Shrink at McFleshman's Brewery with Stephanie Harvey

Stephanie Harvey has been enjoying creating all sorts of tiny wall art, key chains, earrings, pins, wine charm and more with the amazing Grafix shrink plastic! During this fun Drink and Shrink Night at McFleshmans, Stephanie will give you some tips and tricks on how to make the coolest, tiniest things to gift or keep for yourself! 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; McFleshman's Brewing Co., 115 S State Street, Appleton; https://www.facebook.com/events/577644376103579/

OCTOBER 8-13

Fox Cities Book Festival

The Fox Cities Book Festival will be a celebration connecting writers and readers at several location in the Fox Cities.Visit our Web site for a complete list of up to date times and locations. Fox Cities; 920-967-3662; https://foxcitiesbookfestival.org/

OCTOBER 9

Steve Hofstetter at Rookies

One of YouTube's most popular comics with over 100 million views, Steve Hofstetter is also the host of Finding Babe Ruth on FS1. Hofstetter was the host and executive producer of season one of Laughs (FOX) and he has been on The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson and E! True Hollywood Story, Comics Unleashed, Comedy All-Stars, Quite Frankly, White Boyz in the Hood, Countdown, and more. 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm; Rookies Sports Bar, 3425 Church Street, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/381286155921468/

Kaylin Kole at Balanced Rock Winery

Sip on some wine and enjoy live music by Kaylin Kole at Balanced Rock Winery! 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm; Balanced Rock Winery, 1065 Walnut Street, Baraboo; https://www.facebook.com/BalancedRockWinery/

Neenah High School's Rocket Players Presents Seussical

Celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday and promote excitement in reading and literature with Seussical! This whimsical musical is based on the books of Dr. Seuss and has become a favorite for kids and adults alike. Some of Seuss's most popular characters are cleverly woven into the main plot, which draws primarily from the favorite, Horton Hears a Who. 7:00 pm; Pickard Auditorium, 1275 Tullar Rd, Neenah; https://www.facebook.com/seussicalfunneenah/

RENT

In 1996, an original rock musical by a little-known composer opened on Broadway… and forever changed the landscape of American theatre. Two decades later, Jonathan Larson's RENT continues to speak loudly and defiantly to audiences across generations and all over the world. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/rent/

OCTOBER 10

ARTS Night- A Reason to Shop, Share, and Socialize

We hope you will join us for a night of shopping and socializing to raise money for women and children in Portage County! 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm; Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, 1001 Amber Avenue, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/holiday-inn-stevens-point-convention-ctr/arts-night-a-reason-to-shop-share-socialize/470733606802468/

OCTOBER 10

Ladies Night Out! Shop, Sip and Stroll

Enjoy a night out on the town with all your ladies! Shop the many unique boutiques and specialty shops in downtown Appleton with great specials just for you, all while tasting Wisconsin wines at each stop! 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Downtown Appleton, 10 W College Ave, Appleton; 920-954-9112; https://appletondowntown.org/ladies-night-out/

Comedy Showcase @ Appleton Beer Factory

Fox Valley Comedy presents top shelf standup comedians, paired with Appleton Beer Factory's excellent craft brew. 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm; Appleton Beer Factory, 603 W College Ave, Appleton; https://www.facebook.com/events/530201711065438/

OCTOBER 11

Beer, Cheese and Pets Please

Fundraiser to benefit the Humane Society of Portage County. General $35 , Non Alcoholic $10; 5:30 pm to 10:00 pm; SentryWorld Sports Center, 601 N. Michigan Avenue, Stevens Point; https://www.hspcwi.org/beer-cheese-pets-2019/index.html

Live Music: Red Ben's 30th Birthday Jam!

Don't miss this night of celebration with Red Ben and friends! 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm; Elbow Room, 1321 Second Street, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/359649241373610/

Mark Croft at Balanced Rock Winery

Sip on some wine and enjoy live music by Mark Croft at Balanced Rock Winery! 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm; Balanced Rock Winery, 1065 Walnut Street, Baraboo; https://www.facebook.com/BalancedRockWinery/

Natalie Grant

She is a singer-songwriter of contemporary Christian music & was awarded the 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 Gospel Music Association Female Vocalist of the Year. Married to Bernie Herms. Tickets start at $19.95; 8:00 pm; Crystal Grand Music Theatre, 430 W. Munroe Ave., Wisconsin Dells; 877-987-6487; https://www.crystalgrand.com/event/1862340-natalie-grant-wisconsin-dells/

KANSAS: Point of Know Return

With a legendary career spanning more than four decades, KANSAS has firmly established itself as one of America's iconic classic rock bands. This "garage band" from Topeka released their debut album in 1974 after being discovered by Wally Gold, who worked for Don Kirshner, and have gone on to sell more than 30 million albums worldwide. 7:30 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 888-239-0421; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2321

Downtown Friday Nights - The Foxfire Affair

Closing out the Downtown Friday Nights Summer Series with Marshfield favorites the foxfire affair! $5 suggested donation; 7:00 pm; Wenzel Family Plaza, Marshfield; http://www.facebook.com/events/409539956274345/

Deadman's Carnival "Antiquated at Best"

Featuring… Human oddites, Fire eating, Stage illusions, Aerial dance, Feats of strength, Sulty striptease, Circus sideshow, Puppetry, Comedy, Bubbles, and 6 musicians on dozens of vintage instruments! Tickets are $30 adults and $10 for kids 12 and under; 7:30 pm; Gerold Opera House, 136 East Main Street, Weyauwega; 920-867-4888; https://www.wegaarts.org/events/deadmans-carnival-antiquated-at-best/



WPR's Old Time Radio Drama Live

"There's Always a Woman" is Old Time Radio Drama host Norman Gilliland and co-star Michele Good's updated version of a 1939 Campbell's Playhouse radio drama. The show includes dramatizations of reworked Campbell's Soup commercials, and, pre-broadcast, a mini-episode of "Fibber-McGee & Molly." Tickets start at $15; 7: 00 pm to 11:00 pm; 100 High Avenue, Oshkosh; https://thegrandoshkosh.org/

George Delagardelle at Riverfront Terrace

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

Ultraviolet

Our premier fundraising event will be a treat for all of the senses with exuberant new sensations you won't want to miss. Ultraviolet is all about light. Attendees will experience first hand the power in coming together to shine a light for those who need hope and encouragement to see their way through dark times. and leave with a brighter light than you came. 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm; 920-851-5775; https://www.harborhousewi.org/ultraviolet/

Haunted Hearthstone - Sequential Killers of the Victorian Age - Part II

Back by popular demand ... another theatrical glimpse into the 19th century beginnings of serial murder investigation through the eyes of detectives, the victims, and the perpetrators who stalked them! 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Hearthstone Historic House Museum, 625 W. Prospect Ave., Appleton; 920-730-8204; https://www.hearthstonemuseum.org/

OCTOBER 11-13

American International Czech and Slovak Voice Competition

The mission of the competition is to promote the vocal repertoire of the Czech and Slovak composers for young singers, raise the awareness and appreciation of the rich heritage of the Czech and Slovak music not only to the singers but to audiences, create unique performing opportunities for promising young singers, and further the artistic growth of these young singers. 10:00 am; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/american-international-czech-and-slovak-voice-competition/

OCTOBER 11-19

The Spitfire Grill

In this musical, a parolee finds a new life at a small-town Wisconsin diner where she revives the place by holding an essay contest to raffle off its old grill. Ticketed event; Noel Fine Arts Center - Studio Theatre, 1800 Portage Street, Stevens Point; https://www.uwsp.edu/theatre-dance/Pages/Productions/2019-2020/2019-2020-Season.aspx

OCTOBER 12

Live Music: Blame it on Waylon

Come on out October 12th to see Blame it on Waylon! Music starts at 8pm. No cover charge! 8:00 pm to 12:00 pm; North Point Pub, 348 2nd Street N, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/823586041394802/

Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center

A talent-rich assemblage of some of classical music's brightest stars, straight from Alice Tully Hall, will dazzle with world-class musicianship and an awe-inspiring program. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/chamber-music-society/

The Seance

The Seance is an original stage show that recreates an authentic Victorian-era seance. Tonight, The Seance is not an "actual" seance, nor is it a cheesy ghost tour. They perform actual demonstrations and tell stories based on the real history of The Seance shows from the early 1900s. $19.99; 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm; Time Community Theater 445 North Main Street, Oshkosh; https://www.weplaywiththedead.com/

Raising Red at Riverfront Terrace

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

Trick or Treating in the Zoo

Bring your little ghosts and goblins to go trick or treating among the zoo critters! Wildwood Park & Zoo, Marshfield; http://ci.marshfield.wi.us/visitors/wildwood_zoo/index.php

Art of Wine

Enjoy a night of over forty wines rare to Wausau from regions including Europe, South America, California, and the Pacific Northwest. Paired with each region will be hors d'oeuvres allowing you to explore every wine's fullest potential. Funds raised during this event ensure that the CVA can continue to show engaging exhibits free of charge, conduct affordable classroom instruction for all ages, and bring free family projects to community events throughout the year. 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Center for the Visual Arts, 427 N 4th St., Wausau; https://www.cvawausau.org/art-of-wine

OCTOBER 12

Dave Halston's Tribute to Sinatra

From Las Vegas to Oshkosh Comes a Brilliant Tribute to Frank Sinatra Featuring Vocal Sensation Dave Halston and His "Little Big Band". 7:30 pm; The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave, Oshkosh; 920-424-2350; https://thegrandoshkosh.org/non-subscription-events/dave-halston-s-tribute-to-sinatra.html

Fall Fest at Mornin' Sunshine Farm

Mornin' Sunshine Farm is a small, family-owned produce farm nestled in the rural central Wisconsin farming community of Rudolph. Free; 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; Mornin' Sunshine Farm at 7207 State Highway 13/34, Rudolph; http://www.morninsunshinefarm.com/

Moon Walk

Enjoy a moonlit walk along the Tomorrow River State trail. Carved pumpkins mark your miles. Halloween costumes are welcome. Port-a-Potties and refreshments available along the trail. $5, $10 late registration; 5:30 pm; Tomorrow River State Trail, 1850 Plover Rd, Plover; 715-344-2556; http://www.activeportagecounty.com/

OCTOBER 12-13

CWSO: United Beginnings

New this year: pre-concert discussions with conductor, Andres Moran. October 12th - 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm and October 13th - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm; Sentry Theater, 1800 Northpoint Drive, Stevens Point; https://www.cwso.org/events/cwso-events/

OCTOBER 13

Family Autumn BBQ

Come join us for a fun-filled autumn day at the farm! 9:00 am; Mornin' Sunshine Farm, 7207 State Highway 13/34, Rudolph; https://www.facebook.com/events/329865427561894/

Trinity Lutheran Church German Dinner

All homemade recipes to include: Pork Loin & Kraut OR All Beef Cabbage Rolls & Kraut, Spaetzle w/ gravy OR German Potato Salad, WI medley OR Squash, Dessert (many varieties along with apple dumplings) & Beverage Included. 9:00 am; Trinity Lutheran Church & School, 300 Broad Street, Menasha; 920-722-2662 #1; https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-and-School-137682064805/

Strategic at Emy Js

Sunday singer-songwriters. 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm; Emy J's Coffee House & Cafe, 1009 First Street, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/2168998456503270/

Griffin Paul at Riverfront Terrace

12:00 pm to 3:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

Signs of Love 2019

Brides, Grooms, family and friends can check out advice from vendors, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, and more. See everything for your wedding: rings, caterers, gowns, tuxedos, photographers, DJ's and much more! Central Wisconsin Convention and Expo Center, 10101 Market St, Rothschild; https://wifc.com/signs-of-love/

OCTOBER 14-21

Bach Festival 2019

8 days, 11 events, time to get your Bach on, Waupaca! Grab your Bach Passport (available soon at Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce and The Bookcellar) and explore the Baroque period and the life and times of JS Bach through music, dance, writing and art! And don't forget the beer.... https://www.facebook.com/events/waupaca-community-arts-board/2019-wcab-bach-festival/2084678671635942/

OCTOBER 15

Clinton Miller at MST

Influenced by 70's film soundtracks and 70's progressive rock bands, Clinton's live solo shows are always a mixed set of musical adventures. 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm; Main Street Taps, 956 Main St, Stevens Point; 715-544-6500; https://www.facebook.com/events/865927163792828/

Wind Ensemble/Orchestra & Symphonic Band

Toe-tapping marches, rousing movie scores, contemporary compositions and Romantic symphonies. Join conductor Kevin Collins as he directs the UW Green Bay's Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band and Orchestra for an evening of exciting symphonic music. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/wind-ensemble-studio-orchestra-and-symphonic-band/

OCTOBER 16

The Magic School Bus

When the class gets lost on the way to the planetarium, Ms. Frizzle saves the day by blasting into outer space for an epic interplanetary field trip! But when rivalries both old and new threaten to tear the students apart, our young heroes must learn to pull together or risk getting forever lost in the solar system. 10:00 am and 1:00 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 888-239-0421; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2338

OCTOBER 17

Dueling Pianos: Presented by Playhouse Theatre Group

An excitingly entertaining and laughter-filled evening awaits you, as the NEW Piano Guys "duel it out" to benefit the Playhouse Theatre Group of Central Wisconsin! 6:30 pm; Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, 1001 Amber Avenue, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/1251790508325791/

Kenny G

Kenny G's iconic and unique sound — created by fusing elements of R&B, pop, and jazz — has become a staple in contemporary music for over 30 years. Tickets start at $55; 7:30 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 888-239-0421; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2439/2467

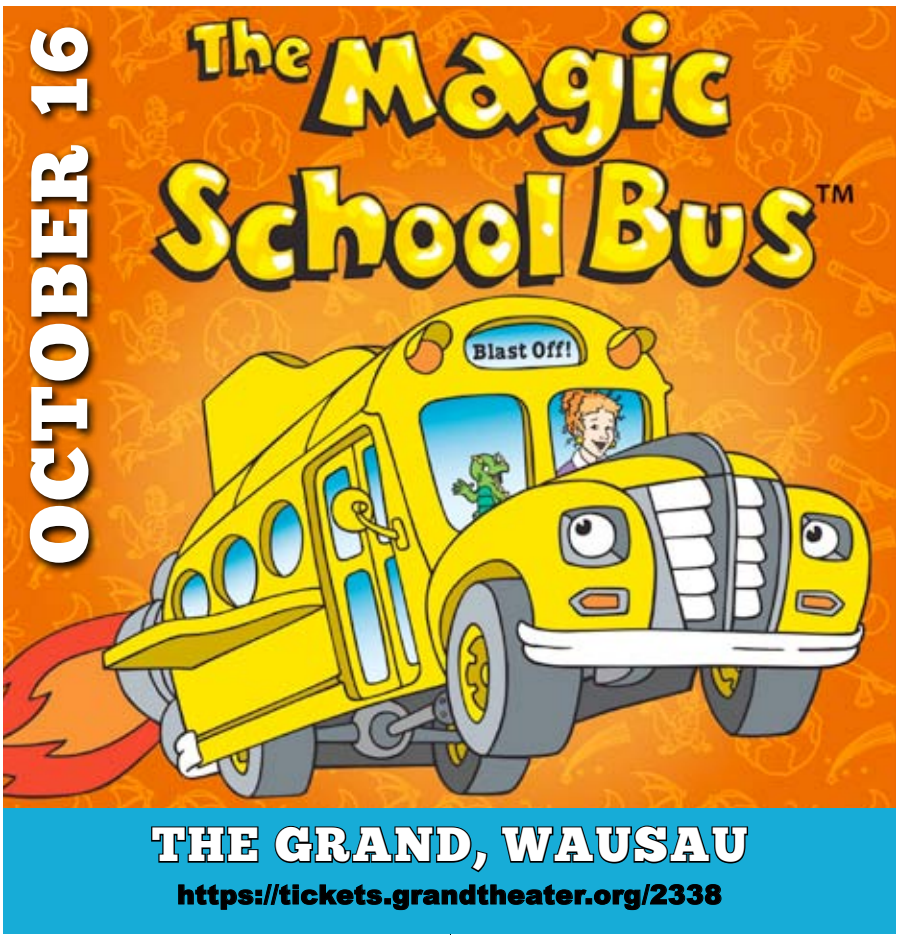
Nitty Gritty Dirt Band

Nitty Gritty Dirt Band earned a pop resurgence in 1980 with "An American Dream" and "Make a Little Magic." Those singles also found traction on the country charts, setting the stage for a major run at country radio. $55.00 - Orchestra and Grand Tier, $50.00 - Mezzanine; 7:30 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/nitty-gritty-dirt-band-2019-10-17-2/

OCTOBER 17-19

Oshkosh Community Players presents Sylvia

Greg and Kate have moved to Manhattan after twenty-two years of child-raising in the suburbs. Greg brings home a dog he found in the park—or that has found him—bearing only the name "Sylvia" on her name tag. She offers Greg an escape from the frustrations of his job and the unknowns of middle age. To Kate, Sylvia becomes a rival for affection. Tickets start at $15; 7:30 pm, Oct. 19th at 2:00 pm; The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave, Oshkosh; 920-424-2350; https://thegrandoshkosh.org/oshkosh-community-players/oshkosh-community-players-presents-sylvia.html



OCTOBER 17-26

Mary Jane

Mary Jane is a single mother; her 2-year-old son has multiple serious conditions including cerebral palsy. In her small New York apartment, she faces the extraordinary challenges of caregiving with the strength of unconditional love and connections with women from many walks of life. A deeply moving play about endurance, optimism, and faith. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/mary-jane/

OCTOBER 18

Antarloka/The Shuntz/Clem at MST

The Shuntz Antarloka and Clem will be rocking the house at Main St taps Oct 18th, you won't want to miss this one! 10:00 pm to 1:00 am; Main Street Taps, 956 Main St, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/2902101930013904/

Vox Concert: Tyrone Wells • Dan Rodgriguez

Enjoy a special acoustic evening as national touring artist Tyrone Wells performs! 7:30 pm; Wildwood Station, Wildwood Park, Marshfield; http://www.voxmarshfield.com/events

OCTOBER 18

Fort Frances
What initially began as a solo project for singer/songwriter David McMillin gradually transformed into Fort Frances: a three-piece band whose debut album represents more than two years of drawing their own map for musical exploration. General Admission tickets $10 in advance; 8:00 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 888-239-0421; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2413

ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK
8:00 pm; Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells, S3214 County Road BD, Baraboo; 800-746-2486; https://www.ho-chunkgaming.com/wisconsindells/#//

4th Annual Barn Bash
Join the WOW - WE CARE CHARITY for the Fourth Annual Barn Bash and dance the night away at this country inspired fundraiser. Enjoy live music from local cover band, RPM, a cocktail hour, and a delicious meal from Appleton's own, Hawg Tyed BBQ. Also included will be silent auction and raffle activities with incredible prizes! 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm; Tryba's Simply Country Barn, N3504 County Rd E, Freedom; 920-415-6677; https://wow-wecarecharity.org/barnbash/

George Thorogood and The Destroyers Good to be Bad Tour - 45 Years of Rock
It's that moment when the house lights go down and the audience erupts: a drumbeat punches through the darkness, and the stage lights – almost blindingly bright at first – reveal a killer band ready to unleash a catalog of classic hits like none other. Tickets start at $19.95; 8:00 pm; Crystal Grand Music Theatre, 430 W. Munroe Ave., Wisconsin Dells; 877-987-6487; https://www.crystalgrand.com/event/1873184-george-thorogood-destroyers-wisconsin-dells/

Taste! 2019
Gather up your friends and plan a night out for some beer and bites! 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm; DoubleTree by Hilton, 123 E Wisconsin Ave, Neenah 920-725-4161; https://www.facebook.com/events/465090190882737/

Atlanta Rhythm Section
The Atlanta Rhythm Section represents the good things the phrase "classic rock" implies. With over 15 albums produced over the years, this band performs songs you'll recognize. $39; 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm; Performing Arts Center of Wisconsin Rapids at 1801 16th Street South, Wisconsin Rapids; http://www.savorthearts.com/

Random Lama at Riverfront Terrace
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

The Ides of March featuring Jim Peterik
Powered by Grammy-winner Jim Peterik, Ides of March shows are a cornucopia of platinum hits. You'll hear the Ides' hits, "Vehicle" and "L.A. Goodbye," Peterik's .38 Special collaborations, "Caught Up In You" and "Hold On Loosely," and Survivor's "Eye of the Tiger" which Peterik co-wrote. $40 - Orchestra and Grand Tier, $35– Mezzanine; 7:30 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/the-ides-of-march-featuring-jim-peterik-2019-10-18/

Autumn Inspiration: A Fall Themed Dinner
Bridgett Lowery, 416 Cuisine Autumn is a wonderful time of harvest, and an even better time to reconnect with friends through a feast! Learn to prepare a perfect fall dinner and enjoy the spoils of the summer's work. $34/GBBG Member; $40/General Public; 6:00



pm to 8:30 pm; Green Bay Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Rd, Green Bay; https://gbbg.org/event/fall-themed-dinner/?instance_id=3371

Experience the Music of the 1920s

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER! '20s Attire encouraged! Ticketed event, $50 per person; 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm; Noel Fine Arts Center, 1800 Portage Street, Stevens Point; https://www.facebook.com/events/502810963624289/

OCTOBER 19

Empty Bowls

Fundraiser for local hunger initiatives. Choose a painted pottery bowl, fill with soup donated by over 40 local restaurants (includes, bread stick, cookie and beverage) for $11. Take home the bowl as a reminder that someone's bowl is always empty. $11; 11:00 am to 2:00 pm; Stevens Point Area High School, 1201 N Point Drive, Stevens Point; 715-347-2553; https://www.facebook.com/EmptyBowlspc/

Downtown Appleton Soup Walk - 11th Annual

Try a taste of soup at different Downtown restaurants and vote for your favorite. Benefitting St. Joseph Food Pantry. 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm; Downtown Appleton, 116 N. Appleton St., Appleton; 920-954-9112; https://appletondowntown.org/#?business

Boofest

Future Neenah hosts BooFest during the final outdoor Farmers Market of the season at Shattuck Park. Enjoy a fun, fall, family event with Halloween activities including a kids costume contest, pumpkin bowling, and trick or treating both Downtown and at the Market. 9:00 am to 12:00 pm; Shattuck Park, 210 E Wisconsin Ave, Neenah; 920-722-1920; http://www.neenah.org/

Trunk Or Treat

Come and enjoy our fall festival featuring decorated trunks and opportunities to win prizes, get candy, dance to music, bounce on the inflatables, play games, and more. This is fun for the whole family! Hungry? Hot dog lunches are $1 each. 11:00 am to 1:30 pm; Costumes are optional. Encounter Church, 1008 Hyland Avenue, Kaukauna; 920-766-5270; https://www.facebook.com/events/3486730068019355/

Kiwanis Halloween Spooktacular

There will be pumpkin painting, hayrides, games, crafts, and snacks. The event is a family-friendly, free event, geared toward children 10 and under, but all are welcome! Costumes are encouraged, but not required. Wisconsin Rapids Kiwanis Club, 3221 80th St S, Wisconsin Rapids; http://wrkiwanis.org/Visitors/

Fall Arts & Crafts Show

Start your Christmas shopping early at this Fall Arts & Craft Show. Marshfield Mall, Marshfield; http://www.marshfieldmall.com

A Very Special Evening with Vince Gill

One of the most popular singers in modern country music, Vince Gill is famous for his top-notch songwriting, world-class guitar playing and warm, soaring tenor, all wrapped up in a quick and easy wit. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/vince-gill/

Historic Point Basse Spirit Walk

A lantern-lit, tour around the grounds and buildings of Historic Point Basse will give the visitor a chance to meet many of the former residents of Point Basse and citizens of the era. As you walk around the site, the Spirits will emerge from their surroundings to tell you about themselves and the time in which they lived. Historic Point Basse, 300 Wakeley Road, Nekoosa; http://www.historicpointbasse.com/

Romp in the Autumn Swamp

The event will include tractor hay rides, Jack-O-Lantern trick-or-treat trail, face painting, Halloween games, and a bonfire with s'more making. 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm; Gordon Bubolz Nature Preserve, 4815 N. Lynndale Dr., Appleton; 920-731-6041; www.bubolzpreserve.org

Soul Symmetry at Main Street Taps

Come enjoy Soul Symmetry live at Main Street Taps! 10:00 pm; Main Street Taps, 956 Main Street, Stevens Point; https://mainsttaps.com/

The Great Pumpkin Giveaway

Our real estate team LOVES the color ORANGE... so we decided this year to create a community event- The Great Pumpkin Giveaway Event at Feltz's Dairy Store! 10:00 am to 2:00 pm; Feltz's Dairy Store, 5759 Porter Road, Stevens Point; 715-997-9600; https://www.facebook.com/events/307979663451442/

Merry Weathers at Riverfront Terrace

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

Ben Folds and a Piano

Ben Folds is widely regarded as one of the major music influencers of our generation. He's created an enormous body of genre-bending music that includes pop albums with Ben Folds Five, multiple solo albums, and numerous collaborative records. Tickets start at $49.50; 8:00 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/ben-folds-and-a-piano-2019-10-19/

OCTOBER 20

Ten Thousand Birds

Stroll through the Garden and experience nature transformed into music by Pulitzer Prize winning composer John Luther Adams. The Lawrence University New Music Ensemble will perform Ten Thousand Birds, music inspired by songbirds of the Midwest. Free/ GBBG Member; General Admission/ General Public; 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm; Green Bay Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Rd, Green Bay; https://gbbg.org/event/ten-thousand-birds/?instance_id=3359

OCTOBER 21

Allouez Village Band

"Thrilled and Enchanted" Stir up some thrilling and enchanting feelings as you enjoy an intriguing evening of music! Sponsored by: Allouez Greater Green Bay Kiwanis. Free; 7:00 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/alloue/

OCTOBER 22

The Moanin' Frogs

A perfect blend of expertise, charm and entertainment, this sextet showcases saxophones, from soprano to bass and every size in between. The musicians will explain why they chose to call themselves by such a silly moniker, and we guarantee their sound is nothing like bullfrogs bellowing out in the swamp. Tickets start at $10; 7:00 pm; LuCille Tack Center for the Arts, 400 N. School St, Spencer; 715-659-4499; https://lucilletackcenter.com/events/the-moanin-frogs.php

Young the Giant

The fourth album from Young the Giant, Mirror Master is a layered meditation on identity in modern life, an emotionally charged look at the dangers of illusion and possibilities of freedom. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/young-the-giant/

An Acoustic Evening with John Hiatt

John Hiatt can get at the heart of a knotty emotion or a moment in time with just a sharp, incisive lyric or witty turn of phrase. $59.50 - Front Orchestra, $49.50 - Orchestra and Grand Tier, $39.50 - Mezzanine; 7:30 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/an-acoustic-evening-with-john-hiatt-2019-10-22/

OCTOBER 23

Warren Miller's Timeless

Year after year, generations of ski and snowboard enthusiasts look forward to the coming of winter, and even after seven decades of ski cinematography, Warren Miller Entertainment can confirm that the joys of winter are eternal. $19 - In Advance, $20 - Day of; 7:30 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/warren-millers-timeless-2019-10-23/

OCTOBER 23-26

Spirits of The Grand Tours

Historic characters, both real and imagined, are center-stage in this interactive guided tour of one of the most haunted theaters in Wisconsin. Since 2010, the SPIRITS OF THE GRAND tours have been a highlight of the "October Season" at the historic Grand Oshkosh. With over 136 years of history and experiences to draw on, there are certainly tales to tell! Tickets $25; 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00 pm; The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave, Oshkosh; 920-424-2350; https://thegrandoshkosh.org/non-subscription-events/spirits-of-the-grand-tours.html

OCTOBER 24

Black Violin: Aspirus Arts In Education Series

After meeting in high school orchestra over a decade ago, Wil Baptiste and Kev Marcus created Black Violin, a blend of classical, bluegrass, rock, hip-hop, and R&B music that teaches students to bust stereotypes, break boundaries, and be themselves. 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 888-239-0421; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2339

Postmodern Jukebox

To usher in the upcoming Twenty-Twenties, famed time-twisting musical collective, Postmodern Jukebox will circumnavigate the globe in 2019 on their Welcome to the Twenties 2.0 Tour. $175.00 - Meet and Greet VIP, $125.00 - VIP, $ 47.50 - Orchestra & Grand Tier, $37.50 - Mezzanine; 8:00 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/postmodern-jukebox-2019-10-24/

TEDxUW-Green Bay

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay is bringing its independently organized TEDx series titled TEDxUW-GreenBay to the Weidner Center for the Performing Arts in Fort Howard Hall. 5:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/tedx-uw-green-bay-2019/

Freedom Moravian Chili Supper and Craft Bazaar

Come visit our old fashioned country church for a hearty meal served including our famous all-you-can-eat chili, ham sandwich, homemade dessert, and milk. 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm; Freedom Moravian Church, W3471 Center Valley Rd, Appleton;

920-734-1278; https://www.facebook.com/events/463417871175430/

Jo Koy

As one of today's premiere stand-up comedians, Koy sells-out theaters and arenas across the world with his infectious and explosive energy onstage. The comedian pulls inspiration from his family, specifically his son, with material that has universal appeal. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/jo-koy/

OCTOBER 25

Swan Lake

Those faithful to the tradition of Swan Lake, must see Russian Ballet Theatre's new production of Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's timeless classic. 7:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/swan-lake-2/

Random Lama at Riverfront Terrace

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Riverfront Terrace, 27 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells; https://www.dellsriverfrontterrace.com/music-events

Halloweekend: Trick of Treat Downtown

Pumpkins, monsters, and goblins - oh my! Join us as we trick-or-treat Downtown businesses from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm; Downtown Marshfield; http://mainstreetmarshfield.com/events/?id=99

95.9 KISS FM Presents: The Jake & Tanner Experience

Jake & Tanner host a fun, interactive morning radio show on 95.9 KISS FM, that guarantees a slight smile and a heavy breath out of your nose from most people. The Jake & Tanner Experience is your opportunity to witness their signature bits and cast of characters in real life, plus stuff they can't do on the radio! Tickets start at $23; 8:00 pm; https://meyertheatre.org/95-9-kiss-fm-presents-the-jake-tanner-experience-2019-10-25/

Starfire

Enjoy some country music while enjoying our fabulous fish fry menu. Free; 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Winncrest Banquet Hall, 2788 Towne Ct, Neenah; http://www.winncrestbanquet.com/

Halloween Costume Party

The Kids Thank You celebrates our 21st Annual Halloween Costume Party. Entertainment provided by Vic Ferrari and Face For Radio. $15 in advance/ $20 at the door; 7:00 pm; Waverly Beach, Menasha; https://chw.org/ways-to-help/giving/events-supporting-chw/halloween-party

OCTOBER 25-26

Treasures of Tomorrow Quilt Show

Over 200 quilted items on display, featuring quilts from local talent as well as artists from surrounding states, with prize money and ribbons being awarded. Admission: $5, Children under 12: Free; Zion United Methodist Church, Marshfield; http://piecemakers.org

OCTOBER 25-27, NOV. 1

The Drowsy Chaperone

Winner of five Tony Awards, including Best Book and Best Original Score, *The Drowsy Chaperone* is a loving send-up of the Jazz Age musical, featuring one show-stopping song and dance number after another. 7:30 pm, Oct. 27th at 2:00 pm; The Shack, 2952 Minnesota Ave., Stevens Point; 715-341-6744; https://cwact.org/2019-20-season/



OCTOBER 26

Historic Point Basse Spirit Walk

A lantern-lit, tour around the grounds and buildings of Historic Point Basse will give the visitor a chance to meet many of the former residents of Point Basse and citizens of the era. As you walk around the site, the Spirits will emerge from their surroundings to tell you about themselves and the time in which they lived. Historic Point Basse, 300 Wakeley Road, Nekoosa; 715-459-1722; http://www.historicpointbasse.com/

Way of Love Revival

The Way of Love Revival is an open and public event for anyone seeking a life centered on Jesus. Do you seek to explore and live his Way of Love? How will you, your church your ministry commit to following the Way of Jesus? How could you join or gather a community for practicing a Jesus-centered life? Get inspired at the Way of Love Revival by looking at how we all can live the Way of Love. 10:00 am to 4:00 pm; Fox Cities Exhibition Center, 355 West Lawrence Street, Appleton; 920-830-8866; https://www.diofdl.org/wolr.html

Halloweekend: Wenzel Family Plaza

Join us for family fun in the plaza. 2018 brought pumpkin painting, bounce house, cider and donuts - join us this year to see what's new during the Downtown Halloweekend! Wenzel Family Plaza, Marshfield; http://mainstreetmarshfield.com/events/

Mini Kiss

7:00 pm; Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells, S3214 County Road BD, Baraboo; 800-746-2486; https://www.ho-chunkgaming.com/wisconsindells/#//

Newsboys United - Greatness of our God Tour

On the heels of the history-making #1 album, United, Christian music supergroup Newsboys United will return to the road this fall for one of the genre's most anticipated tours. By popular demand, the "Greatness Of Our God" Tour will once again bring together former members Peter Furler and Phil Joel with Newsboys' Michael Tait, Duncan Phillips, Jeff Frankenstein and Jody Davis for an autumn outing bound for more than 30 cities around the country. Tickets start at $26; 7:00 pm; Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, 400 W. College Ave, Appleton, WI; 920-730-3760; http://foxcitiespac.com/events-tickets/tickets/events/newsboys-united-greatness-of-our-god-tour/newsboys-united-greatness-of-our-god-tour

OCTOBER 27

Chocoholic Frolic Appleton

Love chocolate? This run is for you! The Chocoholic Frolic 5k & 10k races are chip timed runs that reward you with chocolate at the finish line. Just want to take your sweet time? Run, jog, or walk your way through these courses and enjoy chocolate stops along the way! At the finish line you will be greeted with melted chocolate and treats for dipping. 9:00 am to 12:00 pm; Fox Cities Stadium, 2400 N Casaloma Dr, Appleton; 651-688-9143; https://www.chocoholicfrolicrun.com/appleton

OCTOBER 28

Edges of Romanticism | Michael Rector, piano

Faculty pianist Michael Rector will perform Robert Schumann's Davidsbundlertanze and Morton Feldman's *Palais de Mari* - two masterpieces from the edges of Romanticism that challenge the idea of musical time. 6:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/edges-of-romanticism-michael-rector-piano/



OCTOBER 29

The Children
Two nuclear scientists ponder the responsibility of each generation for the way it leaves the world to our children. 6:30 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/the-children/

Straight No Chaser
If the phrase "male a cappella group" conjures up an image of students in blue blazers, ties, and khakis singing traditional college songs on ivied campuses... think again. Tickets start at $39.75; 7:30 pm; Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, 400 W. College Ave, Appleton; 920-730-3760; http://foxcitiespac.com/events-tickets/tickets/events/straight-no-chaser/straight-no-chaser

From Teas to Tinctures: An Intro to Medicinal Herbs
Jackie Johnson, ND, Planhigion Herbal Learning Center Humans have used plants for life and survival since the beginning. $24/GBBG Member; $29/General Public; 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Green Bay Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Rd, Green Bay; https://gbbg.org/event/teas-to-tinctures/?instance_id=3378

OCTOBER 31

Rosholt: Masquerade Ball
Wear your favorite costume for an all-ages fall celebration with games, snacks, crafts, and more! Activities will feature literary villains such as Captain Hook, Voldemort, and the Wicked Witch. Will you choose to beat them - or join them? 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm; Rosholt Library, 137 N. Main St. Rosholt; https://www.pocolibrary.org/rosholt-masquerade-ball-0

WCT - The Hunchback of Notre
The musical version of THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME is a marriage of the darkness of the original Victor Hugo story and the lightness brought to the story by the Disney movie. 6:30 pm; The Grand, 401 N 4th St, Wausau; 888-239-0421; https://tickets.grandtheater.org/2525/2557

NOVEMBER 1

1964: The Tribute
Since the early eighties, 1964: The Tribute has been thrilling audiences around the globe by taking them on a journey through a quintessential moment in music history that will live forever. Tickets start at $35; 7:30 pm; Meyer Theatre, 117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/1964-the-tribute-2019-11-01/

That Golden Girls Show: A Puppet Parody
Get ready for an evening of laughter, jazzercise, shoulder pads and the elegant art of the quick-witted put down. That Golden Girls Show transports you to 1985 Miami as it parodies the beloved Golden Girls with puppets! Devoted fans will fondly relive their favorite moments while first-timers get a joyful introduction to the brilliance of the series. Tickets start at $55; 7:30 pm; Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, 400 W. College Ave, Appleton; 920-730-3760; http://foxcitiespac.com/events-tickets/tickets/events/that-golden-girls-show-a-puppet-parody/that-golden-girls-show-a-puppet-parody

NOVEMBER 2

The Music of Randy Travis
A special evening celebrating the career and music of Hall of Fame Singer Randy Travis with special guest vocalist James Dupree and the Randy Travis Band. 8:00 pm; Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay; 800-895-0071; http://www.weidnercenter.com/events/the-music-of-randy-travis/

David Ball's Thinkin Problem 25th Anniversary Tour
here's some Tex-Mex flair in his guitar picking and the thumping bass line. He's played for the big crowds. Recorded for the big music execs. Followed rigid studio schedules. But these days, the 66-year-old country singer has gone back to basics and revels in dance halls and intimate venues. Tickets start at $29; 7:00 pm; Meyer Theatre ,117 South Washington Street, Green Bay; 920-433-3333; https://meyertheatre.org/david-balls-thinkin-problem-25th-anniversary-tour-2019-11-02/

Franki Moscato and Friends
Franki performs solo concerts with only her mic and keyboard, but for her Grand Oshkosh debut will be joined by some of the area's finest musicians. Franki performs at The Grand in support of The Franki Moscato Foundation (which focuses on young adults to prevent suicide and promote mental health through inspiration, education, and kindness). Tickets start at $20; 7:30 pm; The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave, Oshkosh; 920-424-2350; https://thegrandoshkosh.org/2019-2020-season/franki-moscato-and-friends.html

Josh Turner
With his rich, deep voice and distinctive style, MCA Nashville recording artist Josh Turner is one of country music's most recognizable hit-makers. Tickets start at $19.95; 8:00 pm; Crystal Grand Music Theatre, 430 W. Munroe Ave., Wisconsin Dells; 877-987-6487; https://www.crystalgrand.com/event/1866684-josh-turner-wisconsin-dells/

OUT & ABOUT wisconsin

We Hope You Have Enjoyed This Issue!

CURRENT ISSUE ALWAYS AVAILABLE AT:

DoWhatYouLikeToDo.Com

Prefer it in Print?

Just go to https://outandaboutwisconsin.com/digital-magazine/
and open the printable PDF to view and print all of the pages you want

Our upcoming schedule is listed below.
Remember you can access each issue for **FREE** on your favorite digital device with internet access anywhere/anytime.
If you'd like to be reminded when each issue is published **just click here** and request to be added to our subscriber list for **FREE!**

NOVEMBER 2019
To The Holidays
Published 11/1/2019

Space Reservation/Ad Materials For Design Due: 10/21/2019

Camera Ready/Final Ad Materials Due: 10/25/2019

DECEMBER 2019
To The New Year
Published 12/1/2019

Space Reservation/Ad Materials For Design Due: 11/19/19

Camera Ready/Final Ad Materials Due: 11/25/19

JANUARY 2020
To The Winter
Published 1/1/2020

Space Reservation/Ad Materials For Design Due: 12/19/19

Camera Ready/Final Ad Materials Due: 12/23/19

FEBRUARY 2019
To The Romance
Published 2/1/2020

Space Reservation/Ad Materials For Design Due: 1/23/2020

Camera Ready/Final Ad Materials Due: 1/27/2020

MARCH 2019
To The Green
Published 3/1/2020

Space Reservation/Ad Materials For Design Due: 2/20/2020

Camera Ready/Final Ad Materials Due: 2/25/2020

APRIL 2019
To The Garden
Published 4/1/2020

Space Reservation/Ad Materials For Design Due: 3/20/2020

Camera Ready/Final Ad Materials Due: 3/23/2020

CLICK TO SIGN UP (ALL ARE FREE)

DIGITAL MAGAZINE SUBSCRIBER
(ESEND NOTIFICATION WHEN NEW ISSUE PUBLISHED)

LIVE MUSIC WEEKLY (ESEND)

SUPPER CLUB VIP (ESEND)

CONTACT US!

ADVERTISING
NORMA JEAN FOCHS
(715) 412-1284
normajean.fochs@outandaboutwisconsin.com

PRESS RELEASE/ EVENT SUBMISSIONS
Editor@outandaboutwisconsin.com