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## AUGUST EVENTS

- Aug 3,4,5, Legacy Theater, See Article p4
- Aug 5, Hancock County Democrats Fish Fry, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., State Park Shelter House
- Aug 4,5,6, Old Threshers, See Article p4
- Aug 10-13, Sweet Corn Festival, West Point, IA
- August 17-19, Watermelon Festival, Montrose, IA
- Aug 14, Platelet Drive, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Fire Station
- Aug 21, First Day of School, N-C & SPSS schools
- Sept 2-4, Nauvoo Grape Festival & Festival on Wheels Car Shows, Nauvoo State Park and Surrounds

## AUGUST MEETINGS

- Aug 8, City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall
- Aug 14, Chamber of Commerce, Noon, Fire Station
- Aug 14, Scarecrow meeting, Civic Center, 7 p.m.
- Aug 16, Mayor's Round Table, 6 p.m., Fire Station
- Aug 16, NBA, 7 p.m., Fire Station
- Aug 21, School Board, 6p.m., Grade School
- Aug 21, Library Board, 7p.m., Library
- Aug 28, Hotel Motel Tax Board/Chamber Executive Board, Noon, City Hall
- Aug 30, Senior Citizens Luncheon, 11 a.m., Fire Station

## 'Tis the Season for Severe Weather: What You Need to Know

There are five sirens in the following areas in Nauvoo: fire station, Lutheran church, Bluff Woods, pageant, North Hill. Sirens are activated by local officials at the fire department for both weather and non-weather emergencies: tornado, hail and severe storm, hazmat incident, terrorist threat, etc. - all of which require that you take action immediately.

Upon hearing outdoor warning sirens, it is important to go inside and tune into local media for more information. Then, listen and time the intervals between siren's blasts. The first blast will be sounded for one minute and re-sounded for one minute **for the duration of the threat** every five minutes. **There will be no "all clear" signal from outdoor warning sirens; local media should be consulted.** These sirens are tested the first Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m., with few exceptions.

Most fatalities during tornadoes or severe thunderstorms occur due to falling trees or large branches (usually in excess of 70 mph). Golf ball sized hail - or larger - also poses a threat to person and property. Should you need shelter while in the uptown area, go to the lower level of the parking garage on Mulholland and Bluff.

## New Art Gallery in Nauvoo



Mark and Esther Stringer relocated from Sandy, Utah, a year ago. Mark was tasked with finding a location, designing, and managing a fine art gallery for parent company, The Frameworks, Inc. Havenlight Gallery opened this summer just east of the pharmacy where it showcases and markets the works of 200 artists. Style and subject of paintings vary as do the featured artists, many of whom will be visiting the gallery and discussing their art. Exhibits change frequently, providing a breadth of style and subject matter. Both originals and prints are offered. Custom

framing is available on site.

Mark is a retired attorney and judge. Esther is a retired elementary special education teacher as well as self-taught artist who specializes in pencil portraits of animals, children, and houses. The couple are hoping that the gallery will become a community art resource center with classes and exhibit space for local artists. The Stringers encourage you to enjoy the gallery experience Havenlight provides. Welcome to Nauvoo! More information may be found at [www.lighthavven.net](http://www.lighthavven.net) or by emailing Mark at: [pndrgn116@yahoo.com](mailto:pndrgn116@yahoo.com).

## 80th Annual Nauvoo Grape Festival

The 80th Annual Nauvoo Grape Festival will be held September 2-4 in the Nauvoo State Park and the surrounding area. To commemorate this special anniversary year, the committee will be taking pre-orders of t-shirts like the one shown to the right.

If you would like to place an order, please contact Baxter's Vineyards at (217) 453-2528. The cost of the shirt is \$15, 2-4 XL shirts are \$17. Checks can be made payable to the Nauvoo Grape Festival Association. The following shirt sizes are available: Youth 6-8, 10-12, 14-16; Adult S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL. The shirts are 50-50 tee shirts in white or grey.

More Nauvoo Grape Festival event details, including a full schedule of events at [www.NauvooGrapeFestival.com](http://www.NauvooGrapeFestival.com) or on the Nauvoo Grape Festival Association's Facebook Page. Come and enjoy the fun!



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### Nauvoo City Council News July 11, 2017

- Approved 3rd Reading of Ordinance 2017-1, the FY 2018 Appropriation Ordinance.
- Tabled action on Ruth Martin request--a one-month extension of the present agreement for the use of Suite 140 at the old grade school building to store merchandise.
- The EDC Committee met June 7. Discussed rekeying the building for better control of keys and security. Made a motion to approve Tanya Juhasz contract from June 1, 2017, to June 31, 2018, with the same terms as previous contract.
- Approved a retired chief's badge for Chief Hopp with the city paying the cost of \$175.
- The Finance Committee tabled, for further study, a request by Motley Fitness to relocate the kitchen and a request to carpet the old school library.
- Approved building permits under \$5,000: Dennis Wogemuth, 1995 Knight Street, construction of a new pool deck and Jerry Bay, 1295 Knight Street, roofing application.
- Approved the purchase of grass seed for \$600 for the new sidewalk project. This will result in a reduction in the cost of the project and save the city about \$7,000 in costs.
- The council is to review a Nauvoo Business Incubator Packet for the old grade school building, which includes a Business Resource Guide, Business Incubator General Guidelines, a Utility Pricing Guide for space, a basic outline of a Business Plan, and an Application for Space.
- Approved Melissa Smith be appointed liaison to work with new and current tenants in the old grade school building.
- Hearings for a zoning change and variance will be July 24, July 31, August 7, and August 8, at 7 p.m.
- The city has received a tax bill on the old school in the amount of \$577.34 which represents the rental space to three tenants. The Finance Committee will follow up on this with the assessor as to the valuation used in making this determination. This information should be available in July or August 2017.
- Tabled action on Vicki Andrus's Splash Pad in the city park or other location.

Submitted by Bev Reynolds

### Senior Luncheon

Warden Patty Wachtendorf, Iowa State Penitentiary, will give a virtual tour of the new prison facility in Fort Madison. Come to listen, to learn, and to enjoy lunch amid area friends on Wednesday, August 30, 11:00 a.m., at the fire station. The program begins c. 11:45 a.m. should you like to come to hear the speaker only. All are welcomed.

### Nauvoo Community Platelet Drive

On Monday, August 14 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. there will be a platelet drive in the Nauvoo Fire Department's Community Room, 2015 Mulholland Street. To donate, call Raymond Siegrist at 309-221-5127.

### Thank you!

To those that sent Marilyn Kraus birthday greetings for her 90th birthday, it was truly appreciated.

### Happy Anniversary Shear Design

This month marks the 31st anniversary that Margaret Schneider has been in business in Nauvoo, operating the salon, Shear Design. The salon is located at 360 S. Page Street and Margaret can be reached at (217) 453-2335.

### Keep Our Children Safe

On July 19, approximately 35 people came to the civic center to hear Jessica Bolton, Children's Advocacy Center, talk about child abuse. The Center's mission is to protect and uphold the rights and provide for the safety of children when wrongs have been committed against them. She detailed how abuse can be recognized and noted that the 7 to 13-year-old age group is most preyed upon.

Besides detailing types of abuse and reasons for it, Jessica stressed the importance of adults listening carefully to what children are telling them, believing what they say, and report it to authorities. Mike Boley, Nauvoo deputy, assisted Jessica in the presentation, and both noted that sixty per cent of children abused never disclose it to anyone. When they do, it often goes unreported to authorities. Mike indicated that there are between 25-30 cases of reported child abuse cases in Hancock County yearly. These cases are thoroughly vetted according to Illinois law.

"Happy Bear" - the name of the main character in a play presented to children to teach personal safety - presentations are available for children in schools, churches, daycares, children's clubs or parent organizations. To schedule a Happy Bear presentation or a presentation on abuse prevention for teachers and parents, contact Jessica Bolton at the Advocacy Network for Children at (217) 223-2272 or (217) 617-5347. The Midwest Regional Children's Advocacy Center receives its funding from the Office of Juvenile Justice, Delinquency, and Prevention.

### City Cemetery Update

City Hall, along with several public officials, were questioned recently regarding the disappearance of the floral and memorial arrangements at the City Cemetery. All the displays were gone and people wanted answers. The dreaded thought that this could be an act of vandalism started to surface. We found out what happened and, thankfully, vandalism was not the reason.

This was an unfortunate action performed by the company mowing the cemetery this year. After years of having the property mowed by one company, they were unable to continue this year, so, we solicited bids for a new contractor. The contractor has experience with other cemeteries and has good references, but, as with everything he also has a different way of approaching his job. When he was contacted, he informed us that he had hired the services of an individual who was to help him with cleaning of the displays that were laying in the grass around the headstones. He was left unsupervised and the person removed everything.

We are deeply sorry this happened, but, are thankful it wasn't an act of vandalism. The City has a policy dealing with flowers at the cemetery and City officials will look into this to see if it needs any additional information. All future mowing contractors will receive a copy of the policy.

Submitted by Mayor McCarty

### Nauvoo Grape Festival Seek Volunteers

The 80th Annual Nauvoo Grape Festival is fast approaching. If you would like to volunteer to help with the festival and its logistics, please contact Brenda Logan at (217) 453-2528 or at [info@nauvoowinery.com](mailto:info@nauvoowinery.com). From there, your contact information will be passed along to the appropriate committee chair.

### Hancock County Democrats Host Fish Fry

The Hancock County Democratic Party will host a fish fry Saturday, August 5, introducing congressional candidate Junius Rodriguez to voters in West-Central Illinois. From 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, meals will be served at the Nauvoo State Park shelter house. A meal costs \$7 for adults and free for children 10 and younger.

Rodriguez, a candidate for U.S. House District 18, is a history professor at Eureka College in Eureka, Ill. He will challenge incumbent Democratic Rep. Darin LaHood in the November 2018 election.

### Illinois Tourism News



The Illinois Office of Tourism announced domestic and international travel expenditures reached \$37.9 billion in 2016 – a \$571 million increase from 2015. This follows the state’s record-breaking domestic Illinois tourism figures

released in May, which highlighted an increase of one million travelers to the state in 2016.

Adams, Hancock and Pike Counties contributed to Illinois’ robust economic domestic growth, to the tune of \$157.14 million in travel expenditures (a 6.7% increase) and \$5.14 million in local tax revenue (a 20.6% increase). Additionally, the tourism industry created 10,000 new jobs across the state, with 1,070 of them in our tri-county area.

“One of the beautiful things about Illinois is the variety of experiences you can enjoy across the state – whether you’re looking for family-friendly activities, outdoor adventure, delicious food or an amazing road trip,” said Cory Jobe, Director of the Illinois Office of Tourism. “By bringing new money to our stores, hotels and attractions, visitors have the power to create a tangible economic impact for our communities. Our success as a state depends on each county doing their part to promote the diverse ways visitors can experience their own amazing moments in Illinois.”

Economic impact of domestic travel by county:

Adams: travel expenditures – \$101.89 million (1.2% increase);

local tax revenue – \$2.68 million (5.8% increase)

Hancock: travel expenditures – \$ 28.12 million (4% increase);

local tax revenue – \$1.08 million (8.7% increase)

Pike: travel expenditures – \$ 27.13 million (1.5% increase);

local tax revenue – \$1.38 million (6.1% increase)

According to Holly Cain, Executive Director of the Quincy Area CVB, our three counties have a lot to be proud of and have an exciting future ahead as work continues developing the region and impacting local communities. “Several factors are at work contributing to the continued increase in travel to our area, including lower fuel costs to distinctive, drivable destinations like we offer. Travelers are seeking an experience unique to the locale they’re visiting, whether it is the food, the people, the attractions.

Fast facts about Illinois Tourism in 2016:

- Every \$1 invested in Illinois tourism generates \$9 in economic impact
- Illinois welcomed 110 million domestic visitors (an additional one million visitors over 2015)
- Of Illinois’ 110 million domestic visitors, 17% were for business and 83% for leisure
- In the past 10 years, domestic travel to Illinois has increased by 19 million visitors
- Domestic travelers spent nearly \$35.1 billion in Illinois during 2016, a 1.8% increase over 2015
- In 2016, domestic travelers to Illinois generated \$2.6 billion in state and local tax revenue, an increase of \$122 million over 2015
- Length of stay per visitor increased by 3%, surpassing the US average of 2.4%

These numbers, provided by the U.S. Travel Association, are preliminary numbers only. Final visitor statistics will be made available later this year.

For travel inspiration and trip ideas, visit [enjoyillinois.com](http://enjoyillinois.com); for local travel information on the Quincy area, please visit [seequincy.com](http://seequincy.com); for local information on Nauvoo, please visit [beautifulnauvoo.com](http://beautifulnauvoo.com).

### Meet Mark and Tom



Eight-year-old Mark and seven-year-old Tom are two of twenty draft horses: 5 Belgian and 15 French Percheron that can be seen pulling wagonloads of tourists through the historic area on the flats. They are four-years-old and already broken and trained to pull when they are purchased from the Amish in Bloomfield, Iowa. They

are “in harness” until they are 17 when they are sold at auction at either Kalona or Waverly, Iowa or to private parties.

The Belgians are usually sorrel (red) with flaxen manes; the Percherons, black with white. All weigh in at 2,000 pounds each and, with a “hand” being four inches, stand 16 to 18 hands (over six feet) at the withers, or neck.

Sixteen teamsters care for the horses, among them a horse-shoer, or “farrier,” and a veterinarian. And, they get great care! They get brushed and curried daily before being harnessed and, again, when the work day is over. On hot days, they even get a misted spray shower! The farrier changes their shoes and grooms their feet every six weeks in the summer and every eight weeks in the fall, and the vet sees that they are in tip-top shape.

When not on duty, they hang out in the pasture - usually standing with their team mates—eating, resting, or giving each other a playful nip. When grazing or in harness, they make an imposing picture.

The teamsters respect their horses who have a job to do, and the horses oblige while fulfilling our nostalgic need of hearing the clop clopping of hooves and the occasional nicker or snort as visitors take in the sites of historic Nauvoo. How different the experience would be if pulled by a tractor!

From information supplied by Elder Hunter, Veterinarian

### Great River Honor Flight

After hearing the guest speaker from the Great River Honor Flight Committee at Nauvoo’s Memorial Day celebration, several attendees wanted to learn how to apply for a trip and/or to contribute to the flights. Annette Hoskins, committee secretary, provided the following information.

In 2004 the WWII Memorial was dedicated in Washington, D.C. Since 2009, Great River Honor Flight has flown 43 missions, providing nearly 1400 deserving WWII, Korean, and Vietnam veterans with the opportunity to visit their memorials. Through contributions from individuals, organizations, and other sponsors, one-day trips are available for these Tri-State veterans at no charge to them.

To take advantage of this opportunity, interested veterans and their guardians can find applications at [www.wgem.com/honorflight](http://www.wgem.com/honorflight). (Note: Guardians are selected at the board members’ discretion.) Donations may be mailed to Great River Honor Flight, 513 Hampshire St., Quincy, IL 62301. (Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.) For more information and sponsorship opportunities, call 217-228-6600.

### Baxter’s Entertainment & Event Schedule

In August, Baxter’s Vineyards will host live music on the following:

- August 6, Acoustic Mayhem, 3-6 p.m.
- August 12, Bocephus Wayne, 7-11 p.m.
- August 19, Whiskey Sunset, 7-11 p.m.
- August 20, Fox River Fields, 3-6 p.m.
- August 27, E2, 3-6 p.m.

In August, Baxter’s Vineyards will host the following workshops:

- August 11, Young Living Essential Oils Workshop, 6-7 p.m.
- August 9, String Art Workshop, 6-9 p.m. (RSVP required)
- August 15, String Art Workshop, 6-9 p.m. (RSVP required)

Details on all events are available at [www.NauvooWinery.com](http://www.NauvooWinery.com) or on Facebook.



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[seenauvoonews@gmail.com](mailto:seenauvoonews@gmail.com).  
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### **A Chance to Go Back in Time**

Western Illinois Threshers has asked Hancock County Retired Teachers to man the old schoolhouse on August 4, 5, and 6. Hours are 10-8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; 10-4 on Sunday. There will be three shifts on Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 1 to 4 p.m.; 4 to 8 p.m. and two shifts on Sunday: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.

It will be an enjoyable time, meeting all who come through and talking about the old days in country school. You don't have to be a retired teacher or a member of the group. If anybody would like to help out, contact Ruthanne Danielson at 309-313-3914 or [oliveruthanned@gmail.com](mailto:oliveruthanned@gmail.com).

Note: For more information about this year's events at Old Threshers contact President Ed Hartweg, 319-795-2982, or go to [www.westernillinois threshers.org](http://www.westernillinois threshers.org).

### **Cabela's King Kat Tournament Trail on the Mississippi River Quincy, Illinois**

The Cabela's King Kat Tournament Trail will hit the waters of the Mississippi River at Quincy, Illinois, August 19, 2017. This is the opportunity for catfish anglers to compete for cash, prizes and a chance to advance to the Cabela's King Kat North and South Championship. More information is available at: [www.kingkatusa.com](http://www.kingkatusa.com)

Late registration will be held Friday, August 18 at Eagles Nest Hotel and Conference Center, 300 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Quincy, IL from 5-7 pm. Captains Meeting/Seminar will follow at 7 p.m. Must be a member of the King Kat Association to fish this event.

The tournament weigh-in will be held at Kesler Park, 1231 Bonansinga Drive, Quincy, IL. Tournament hours are 6:30 AM until 3:00 PM. All anglers must be in the weigh-in line by 4:00 PM with a 5 fish limit per team. To help preserve the sport only live fish will be weighed in and all fish will be released after the tournament.

In conjunction with the tournament, the Cabela's King Kat Tournament Trail will hold the Cabela's King Kat Kids event on Saturday, August 19 at Kesler Park, 1231 Bonansinga Drive, Quincy, IL. The event is free of charge and open to all youth 12 and younger. Sign up is from 8:00 AM till 9:00 AM with the Kid's Fishing Event starting at 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM. All children will receive a prize just for entering. Bring your favorite rod, reel and bait and show your true fishing ability. All children must be accompanied by parent or guardian. Prizes for winners will be given in two age groups, 0-7 and 8-12. The event is free to all children 12 and under with all participants eligible for a chance to win one of the six, Outdoor Promotions \$1,000.00 scholarships to be awarded in October.

### **Bud Anderson's Wood Art at Art Needlework Shop**

Bud Anderson's Wood Art is available for purchase at the Art Needlework Shop on Mulholland Street. Stop in, say hi and see what is available.

### **The Duttons to Perform at the Legacy Theater in Carthage**

The summer line-up at the Legacy Theater in Carthage continues with four shows by The Duttons, a family performing group from Branson, Missouri. They will perform at 7 p.m. Thursday to Saturday, Aug. 3, 4 and 5, with a matinee performance at 2 p.m. Saturday.

The Duttons leave their Branson stage for international tours featuring their cast of 15 performing bluegrass to classical music. They accompany their harmony with violin, guitar, bass, banjo, viola, mandolin, keyboard, harmonica, drums and more. The Duttons have earned awards in national fiddling contests, classical violin competition, and were a finalist on America's Got Talent.

Tickets to see the Duttons are \$40 for VIP seating, \$30 other adult seating, and \$20 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased by calling the theater 217-357-9479 a credit card purchase. Tickets are also available at the door and can also be purchased local ticket sales locations: Carson Motors in Carthage, 217-357-3154; Zion Mercantile in Nauvoos, 217-453-2182; and Keokuk Convention and Tourism Bureau in Keokuk, Iowa, 319-524-5599. For more information, call The Legacy Theater or go to the website, [thelegacytheater.com](http://thelegacytheater.com).

### **August Feature Exhibit at Ft. Madison Area Arts Association (FMAAA) Gallery Rebecca Butler: Ceramics & Paintings**

Rebecca Butler of Quincy, Illinois, brings "Earth Encompasses Art" to FMAAA gallery for the August feature exhibition. A reception for her occurs August 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm. Bartlett Instruments is the sponsor for this month's feature. Rebecca will speak at Lunch-ala-Art on August 25<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2pm. Last year Rebecca opened The Budding Artist, a pottery and painting studio, at 307 N 36<sup>th</sup> Suite 108 in Quincy. The space can fit up to 25 and specializes in ceramics glazing, raw clay building, and painting parties. Rebecca received her BFA in Studio Art from Quincy University, where she also currently teaches Ceramics.

### **Bear Creek Indian Gathering and Rendezvous**

Standing Bear Council invites the public to the third Bear Creek Indian Gathering and Rendezvous August 12-13, at Cave Hollow West Winery and Mark Twain Cave and Campground. The Gathering will be from 9:00 a.m. dusk on Saturday and from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

This celebration of native culture and history, will feature the Black Fox Drum, native dancing, vendors, and authentic native food, including fry bread and Indian tacos. The Omeyocan Aztec Dancers will be back!

The Council is a non-profit organization. For more information about the Gathering and/or about Standing Bear Council's educational programs, call Larry Cooper at 319-795-6718, Dona Herr, at 319-520-5919, or Debbie Callaghan at 217-219-1188.

Note: In the future, if there is lack of space, the *See Nauvoos News* staff reserves the right to condense event information. Referring readers to reference sites for specific event details. Also, the newsletter can currently be found online at Beautiful Nauvoos's Facebook page and [www.beautifulnauvoos.com](http://www.beautifulnauvoos.com).