

Tourism NEWS



Things to do...
with a river view!



Clinton Half Marathon & Family Wellness Festival

The Family Wellness Festival on September 10, 2011 will take place in conjunction with the one-half marathon, 10K and 5K run. It will take place along the Mississippi River in the LumberKings stadium – Alliant Energy Field. This fun-filled event will offer activities for everyone, including a 2-person bag tournament, 4-person volleyball tournament and a variety of kids activities. Enjoy the day looking at all the wellness vendor booths and listening to live music. Cost is \$20.00 for bags and \$40.00 for volleyball. All other activities are free.

Race Day Schedule: 7:30 a.m. – Half Marathon and 10K; 7:40 a.m. – 5K Run/Walk begins; 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. – Vendor Booths Open; 8:30 a.m. – Volleyball Tournament and Bags Tournament begin; 9:30 a.m. – Kids Activities begin.

You can register on line for the Clinton Half Marathon at www.clintonhalfmarathon.com. The race starts on Riverview Drive, along the Mississippi River, with challenging hill climbs leading to a majestic overlook of the widest part of the river. Once you have finished, enjoy the HyVee post-race party set in Alliant Energy Field, home of the Clinton LumberKings professional baseball team.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to support the YWCA and the Mercy Healthcare Foundation.



Benefit Concert for MDA

On Sunday, September 4, 2011, at the Riverview Park Bandshell, Tegeler Music is sponsoring the First Annual Benefit Concert to help raise money for MDA. There will be live bands all day long, from 12 noon-10 p.m. Included on the band roster are "Coupe DeVille," "Todd Striley and the Noise," "Dan Peart," "Slough Buoys" and many more. There will also be a Most Popular Band Contest, Guitar Throwing Contest, Kids Games and Food by Christian Community Fellowship. Admission is free, although a suggested \$5.00 donation would be appreciated! No coolers are allowed on the grounds! For more information, visit the website at www.tegelermusic.com/events.

KROS Bridal Fantasy

The 21st Annual KROS Bridal Fantasy will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2011, beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Wild Rose Casino & Resort. Vendor booths are open from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Diamond Dig (Dig for a \$1,500 Loose Cut Diamond) and prizes awarded from 2:30-3:30 p.m. There will also be a Bridal Fashion Show by Satin 'N Lace. The Diamond Dig is sponsored by Don's Jewelry and the Diamond Dig Cake is sponsored by Edibly Divine.

Bride and Groom are admitted free. Guest tickets are \$3.00. For more information, contact KROS Radio, 563-242-1252 or contactus@krosradio.com.



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Exhibits at the River Arts Center

The work of two very talented artists, Judy O. Gray of Bettendorf and Kevin Pearson of Racine, Wisconsin will be on display through September 18, 2011.

Gray is known for her bright pastels which she is showing here although she has worked in many other mediums. An Augustana Studio Art graduate, she taught art in Denver, Colorado, public and private schools, Denver Museum of Art, Aspen Design Center, Colorado Institute of Art among others. In the Quad-City area, she has taught at the Figge Art Museum, CASI, and is the founder of Q.C. Pastellists. She has exhibited widely in Colorado, in Chicago, and the Quad-City area and received a Mid-Coast Riverssance Merit Award. "The challenge of a flat surface or an unformed mass is the impetus for my artwork. This intense exercise can seemingly stop time. It is the poetry and the music that an artist breathes through their hands and minds."

Kevin Pearson will exhibit Raku pottery and blown glass. Also an Augustana graduate, he earned an MS degree in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, and is currently Art Department Chair at The Prairie School in Racine. His work in clay began with an 18-month apprenticeship under Karl Christiansen, well-known to Clinton potters. As an art educator, he also taught photography, painting, drawing, sculpture, blown glass, design and printmaking. He has shown his blown glass at many art fairs in the Midwest, including the River Arts Center where we have some of his earlier work in glass. He established his own studio and gallery in Egg Harbor, Wisconsin, for many years, and displays currently at Edgewood Orchard Galleries in Fish Creek, WI. "I have made wheel-thrown pottery for over thirty-five years. My interests have ranged from porcelain to stoneware. ...I am still most interested in the flowing lines that best show the form of each piece."

From September 21-November 6, the art of Jan Harvey will be exhibited. A reception will be held for her on Sunday, September 25 from 1-3 p.m. A native of Rock Falls, Illinois, Harvey now resides in Polo, Illinois where her studio and gallery are also located. She also has work in several area galleries including The Next Picture Show in Dixon, IL, Eagle's Nest Gallery in Oregon, IL, and Woodlawn Art Academy, in Sterling. She is a member of several art groups and guilds and has won numerous awards.

Harvey began her art studies at Yavapai College in Prescott, Arizona, taking drawing, watercolor and printmaking. Her country-flavored watercolors are inspired by farm life as a "Pinecreeker" in rural Oregon, Illinois. Young's farm in Dewey, Arizona, brought back that nostalgia and it was there she received her art commission. Her palette started with paper, then gourds, canvas and board. Her recent work is done in oils and she especially loves to get into farmyards and gardens in "plein air" with palette knife.

Clinton Symphony Orchestra

Clinton Symphony Orchestra will open its 58th concert season with a 7:30 p.m. performance Saturday, September 24 at Centennial Auditorium in Sterling. Conductor Brian Dollinger has chosen works of two American composers and a clarinet soloist for the program. Titled "American's Heartbeat," the program will open with David Stern's "We Stand for Freedom: In Memoriam, September 11th, 2001," and include the second symphony or Howard Hanson, a Wahoo, Nebraska, native who founded and developed the prestigious Eastman School of Music. Clarinetist Eric Ginsberg, a member of the Western Illinois University music faculty, will perform a clarinet concerto by Carl Maria von Weber with the orchestra.

The Symphony and Community State Bank continue to offer a bus from Clinton, through Fulton and Morrison, to the concert in Sterling. Reservations can be made by calling 563-243-5958.

Season tickets for the Symphony's five-concert series are available now at \$50 for adults and \$15 for high school and college students. Students through 8th grade are admitted free to all of the concerts. Season tickets are available by mail to Clinton Symphony Orchestra, PO Box 116, Clinton IA 52733-0116, by telephone to 815-625-0922, or email execdirector@clintonsymphony.org.

Tickets for individual concerts will go on sale approximately two weeks before the event at England Music in Clinton, Fitzgerald Pharmacy in Morrison and Grummert's Hardware in Sterling. Adults \$12, Students \$5.

Clinton County Conservation Events

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 ~ **Sunset Blue Heron Eco Cruise** ~ 6 PM ~ Rock Creek Marina and Campground ~ Just south of Commence Iowa off of US 67 ~ Enjoy



a relaxing cruise on the backwater sloughs and main channel of the Mississippi River. Your pilot/navigator/engineer/interpretive naturalist will guide you past wildlife and other features of pool 14. Call 563-259-1876 for reservations. There is no fee but a \$5 donation is requested.

10th ~ **Youth Outdoor Skills Day** ~ 8 AM-5 PM ~ Clinton Izaak Walton League ~ Just off HWY 136 north of Clinton ~ Looking for a way to open

your child's eyes to a life of adventure in the great outdoors? Looking for a chance for your child to gain experience with a variety of outdoor skills? We have just the thing! Clinton County kids ages, 11-18, will learn about safety and skills at various stations staffed by various Conservation Organizations such as Pheasants Forever, Harvester Bass Club, Whitetails Unlimited, Wild Turkey Federation and Clinton County Conservation. All stations will involve hands-on activities designed to give kids practical experience while keeping safety at the forefront. Parents and younger siblings are encouraged to attend with students. They will be invited to eat lunch, free of charge, along with participants. An adult must accompany all children. Each participant will be charged a non-refundable \$5 registration fee and receive a commemorative T-shirt. Call 563-847-7202 for sign-up.

15th ~ **Moonlight and Music Cruise** ~ 8 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ The last cruise of its kind for the year. Enjoy an evening on the moonlit Mississippi while local minstrels play and sing. Call 563-259-1876 for reservations.

17th ~ **BRACCII** ~ 8 AM ~ Walnut Grove Park ~ This is our second Bike Ride Across Clinton County. It is a full-service, family-oriented ride that will begin with your registration by calling 563-847-7202 no later than August 17th. Upon receipt of your \$25/day/rider fee we will provide you with a ride packet including meal tickets and map. The fee will cover Support and Gear (SAG) service both days, refreshments offered at rest stops along the way, a fish boil for your Saturday evening meal at Rock Creek and a Sunset Eco Cruise on the mighty Mississippi River. Sunday morning begins with a pancake breakfast and refreshments along the route of your return trip to Walnut Grove Park, Toronto. A \$10 additional fee will be imposed for late registration. You are responsible for camping fees if using a campsite other than the group site. Sounds like fun, I'd better get training!

21st ~ **Cast-iron Cook-Off and Fall Farmer's Market & Craft Fair** ~ 6:30 PM ~ Soaring Eagle ~ Set up your charcoal fire out front of the Flannery Schoolhouse and have your food item ready to sample by 6:30 PM. Be prepared to teach onlookers a bit about old-fashioned cast iron cooking. Attendees will be charged \$2/ person for a tasting-kit; sampling bowls, spoons and napkins. Proceeds go to the Flannery School Fund. The Soaring Eagle Board of Directors will judge food from 4 different categories: Chili, Stew, Vegetable Dishes and Desserts (and unexpected categories, as needed!) Please print a "Contents" card, so people can avoid food allergies. Farmer's market and craft fair vendors will set up along the north side of the parking lot and lawn leading to the Schoolhouse. Vendors are asked to donate 10% of their sales to Soaring Eagle Nature Center for the Flannery School Fund. Enjoy a family social event, like it used to be in simpler times.

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FINALLY FRIDAY AT THE RIVER

NO GATE FEE

September 9, 2011
5:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Riverview Park Bandshell

Featuring

Donations Appreciated



"Danika Holmes"

FOOD VENDORS:
BOY SCOUT TROOP #642
and
GRANNY'S SUGAR SHACK



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FIRST ANNUAL TEGELER MUSIC Benefit Concert

Help Us Raise Money For MDA

"TMBC"

Most Popular Band Contest

Helping Jerry's Kids

Guitar Throwing Contest

Food By Christian Community Fellowship

Kids Games

LIVE BANDS ALL DAY

Coupe DeVille	Rise At Dawn
Safe At Home	Dan Peart (Band?)
Menace To Sobriety	Slough Buoys
Music Of The Spheres	M.D.T.B.
3 On The Tree	Smokin Roaches
Todd Striley	Jack Hammer
and The Noize	Johnny Outlaw

MAYBE MORE!
Band List Subject to Change



Sunday Sept. 4th 12 noon - 10 pm
Riverview Park Bandshell

Admission is FREE

(Although a suggested \$5.00 donation would be appreciated)
more info at www.tegelermusic.com/events **NO COOLERS ALLOWED**



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Calendar of events

September	1,8,15,22&29	Blue Heron Sunset Cruise, Rock Creek Marina, 6 p.m.
	1-18	Judy Gray & Kevin Pearson Artists Exhibit, River Arts Center
	4	Benefit Concert for MDA, Riverview Park Bandshell, noon-10 p.m.
	6-7	Ashford University Vendor Fair, St. Francis Gym
	9	Dance with Miss Linda from Carousel Dance Studio, Discovery Center, 10 a.m.
	9	Finally Friday at the River, Riverview Park Bandshell, 5-8 p.m.
	9	Gateway Contemporary Ballet Auditions, Carousel School of Dance, 5-6:30 p.m.
	10	Clinton Half Marathon & Family Wellness Fest, Alliant Energy Field, 7:30 a.m.
	11	9/11 Commemoration, Freedom Tree Site, Millcreek Parkway & Hwy. 136, 2 p.m.
	11	"Ripplers" at Wide River Winery, 2-5 p.m.
	13	Arts at the Arb, "Fabulous Paul Brothers," Bickelhaupt Arboretum, 7 p.m.
	15	Annual Walk for Peace, Clinton Community College, 5 p.m.
	15	Blue Heron Moonlight & Music Cruise, Rock Creek Marina, 8 p.m.
	16	Fun with Miss Andy, Discovery Center, 10 a.m.
	16-17	Purse and Bag Sale, Curtis Mansion, 420 5 th Ave. So., 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Fri.; 8 a.m.-noon Sat.
	17	Cruising with the Cougars Car Show, Clinton Community College, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
	18	KROS Bridal Fantasy, Wild Rose Casino & Resort, 12:30-3:30 p.m.
	21	Cast-Iron Cook-off and Fall Farmer's Market & Craft Fair, Soaring Eagle Nature Center, 6:30 p.m.
	21-Nov. 6	The Art of Jan Harvey Exhibit, River Arts Center
	23	Miss Elizabeth "Whose Shoes," Discovery Center, 10 a.m.
	23	Hike the Dike with the YWCA, Clinton Riverfront, 1 p.m.
	23	Autumnal Equinox, Bickelhaupt Arboretum, 5:30 p.m.
	24	Clinton Symphony Orchestra Performance, Centennial Auditorium, Sterling IL, 7:30 p.m.
	25	Artist Jan Harvey Reception, River Arts Center, 1-3 p.m.
	25	"Striley & Evans" at Wide River Winery, 2-5 p.m.
	30	"Apples, Apples, Everywhere," with the AEA, Discovery Center, 10 a.m.
	30	Fall Tailgate, Clinton Municipal Airport, 5:30-8:30 p.m.