

WAVE

Arts & Entertainment

FRI^{5/30}

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: Albert-City Tuesdale
Newell City-Wide Garage Sales, 4-7 p.m.
Schaller City-Wide Garage Sales
Storm Lake City-Wide Garage Sales
King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Witter Gallery open 1-5 p.m.
Cherokee PRCA Rodeo: Golf Tournament at 9 a.m. Cherokee County Fairground gates open at 4 p.m. Photos with Flash the Mini Zebu at 5:30 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at 6:30 p.m. with the Rodeo performance at 7:30 p.m.

SAT^{5/31}

Newell City-Wide Garage Sales, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
Schaller City-Wide Garage Sales
Storm Lake City-Wide Garage Sales
Snook's Carpet & Furniture hosting an indoor garage sale/flea market, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Contact Laurie at 712-390-2584 to be a vendor. Snook's is located at 110 Blake St. in Sioux Rapids.
King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Outdoor Waterpark open 12-8 p.m.
Witter Gallery open 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Friends of the Storm Lake Public Library present a Blockbuster Double Feature, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Showing two films with a common theme; this week is Johnny Depp.
The Parks Companies hosting an Open House from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in honor of its new swine marketing facility in Storm Lake. Located at 1313 615th St., Storm Lake. Enjoy lunch hosted by the Buena Vista County Pork Producers as they serve pork burgers from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Alta Community Library hosting its Summer Reading Kickoff at the Alta City Park Shelter House, 1-2:30 p.m.
Cherokee PRCA Rodeo: Parade will start at 2 p.m. Cherokee County Fairground gates open at 4 p.m. Team Penning Competition is at 5 p.m. The Crowning of Miss Cherokee Rodeo 2025 is at 7 p.m. followed by the Rodeo at 7:30 p.m. and Leaders in Ag Scholarship presentation. Concert by The Faster Horses at 9:30 p.m.
St. Mary's School hosting a Goodbye Gathering for Mr. Ryan Berg from 6-7:30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Parish Center.

SUN^{6/1}

Flight Breakfast at Cherokee Airport, 7 a.m.-noon. Serving pancakes, sausage and eggs for a free-will donation. A car show will be held.
King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Outdoor Waterpark open 12:30-5:30 p.m.
Storm Lake Municipal Band Season Opener and Car Show: Owners of classic cars are invited to come to Sunset Park around 1 p.m., and for spectators to come to the Bandshell early to enjoy the Show and Shine car show. There is no registration and no entry fee. The Muni Band will perform at 2 p.m.
Opening Day for Harker House in Storm Lake: Tours at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Accepting free-will donations.
David G. Smith live at Byron's Bar (109 S. Ontario St.) in Pomeroy, 5 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

MON^{6/2}

King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Outdoor Waterpark open 12:30-7 p.m.
Exercise Wellness Group "XYZ" meets 10-10:50 a.m. at Storm Lake United Methodist Church Family Life Center. Please use east side canopy door by the FLC.
Storm Lake Hy-Noon Kiwanis meets at noon at Lake Avenue Lounge.
Schaller Public Library hosting a program on insects at 2 p.m.
Food distribution drive-up: 4 p.m. at Storm Lake United Methodist Church Family Life Center.

TUES^{6/3}

Storm Lake Kiwanis Beavers meet at Lakeshore Cafe, 7 a.m.
Storm Lake TOPS meets at Lakeside Presbyterian Church, 110 E. Third St. Weigh-in at 8:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9 a.m. For questions, call Joanne at 712-299-2606.
Community Ed No Floor Yoga, 9-10:15 a.m., at Sunrise Pointe conference room. Cost is \$5.
King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Outdoor Waterpark open 12:30-7 p.m.
Storm Lake Rotary Club meeting at noon, King's Pointe Resort.
Storm Lake Community Blood Drive, 12:30-5:30 p.m. at St. Mark Lutheran Church. Schedule a blood donation appointment online at lifeservebloodcenter.org or call 800-287-4903.
Witter Gallery open 1-5 p.m.
Service Navigators of BV at

Storm Lake Public Library, 4-5 p.m. Free help locating resources such as health or mental health care, day-care, food resources, available housing, insurance and other needs or paperwork.
Overeaters Anonymous meeting, 5-6 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church (402 Lake Ave.) in Storm Lake.
Community Ed Yoga, 5:45-7 p.m., at Sunrise Pointe conference room. Cost is \$5.
Malarky's Bar & Grill hosting Trivia Night, 7 p.m.
Quilt Sew-ciety meets at 7 p.m. at St. Mark Lutheran Church.

WED^{6/4}

Aurelia Commercial Club Community Coffee, 9 a.m. at Aurelia Community Center.
Coffee with the Director, 9-10 a.m. at Sioux Rapids Public Library. Stop in for coffee, socialize, share ideas and ask questions.
King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Outdoor Waterpark open 12:30-7 p.m.
BVRMC hosting Watch Me Grow, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. at First Embrace Obstetrics. This is a come and go program.
Schaller Public Library presents its summer reader program, 10:30 a.m. at the city park shelter house. This week is dinosaur dimensions.
Knit One, Read Too: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Storm Lake Public Library. Work on your knitting, crocheting or other craft project with the company of a group and enjoy part of a new audiobook.
Witter Gallery open 1-5 p.m.
Community Food Pantry for the towns of Schaller, Nemaha and Early, 4-6 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center (501 Church St.) in Early.
Storm Lake Public Library hosting author, poet, educator and activist Willie Carver, Jr. via Zoom, 5-6 p.m. This is an online presentation plus a live poetry reading by Storm Laker Hugo Perez Loa. This event made possible by a Random House United Libraries grant. Refreshments will be provided courtesy of Hy-Vee.
Lutheran Services in Iowa hosting Parent Cafe, 5-7 p.m. at St. Mark Lutheran Church (1614 W. 5th St.) in Storm Lake. A welcoming space where parents connect, share experiences and support each other in overcoming the challenges in raising a family. It's a place to learn, grow and leave feeling inspired. Free to join.
Pocahontas Chamber of Commerce hosting Art in the Park 2025, 6:30 p.m. at Heritage Park. Live music by Al Bomba.

THU^{6/5}

Community Ed No Floor Yoga, 9-10:15 a.m., at Sunrise Pointe conference room. Cost is \$5.
King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Outdoor Waterpark open 12:30-7 p.m.
BVRMC presents Young at Heart: "Cycling: The Perfect Activity for an Active Retirement," with Lakeshore Cyclery. This program goes live on Facebook at 10 a.m.
Storm Lake Public Library hosting Storytime: Library Etiquette, 10:30 a.m.
Witter Gallery open 1-6 p.m.
St. Sebastian Parish hosting a celebration meal in honor of the 25th Anniversary of Fr. Paul's Priestly Ordination, 6 p.m. at the KC Fonda Hall. All parishioners are invited.

UPCOMING

FRIDAY, JUNE 6
Alta City-Wide Garage Sales
King's Pointe Indoor Waterpark open 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Outdoor Waterpark open 12:30-8 p.m.
Heartland Insurance Associates LLC celebrating 25 years with an Open House from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Join for cake, punch and more. Located at 711 Lake Ave. in Storm Lake.
Story Time at Alta Community Library, 10:30 a.m.
Witter Gallery open 1-5 p.m.
Gary Lalone Memorial 9-Hole Golf Outing at Sunrise Pointe Golf Course. Shot gun start at 1 p.m. Registration is \$65 per person and includes nine holes of golf, cart and reception appetizers. Register by email at info@stormlakeunited.com or call 712-732-3780.
SATURDAY, JUNE 7
Alta City-Wide Garage Sales
VARINA QUASQUICENTENNIAL
Varina's Quasquicentennial schedule: 9 a.m. Vendors set up in the park. 10 a.m. Parade, contact Connie Schachtner at 712-358-1152 for a parade entry. Also a Barbecue Grilling Contest, cost is \$25 to enter. Call Rod Falline at 712-299-4317. Silent auction begins at 10 a.m. at the fire station. 11:30 a.m. Pickleball and bag toss tournaments begin. Cost is \$20 per team. Contact Reed Russell at 515-570-7075. Pony wagon rides available from noon-3 p.m. for a free-will donation. Face painting at 1 p.m. Barbecue judging and results at 4 p.m. at the fire station. A street dance is from 7:30-10:30 p.m. with music by

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Municipal Band concerts begin June 1

The Storm Lake Municipal Band is tuning up for its 90th season of concerts in the historic Sunset Park Bandshell.
Seven concerts are scheduled for this season, including every Sunday afternoon in June and the first week of July. Everyone is welcome and admission is free.
The first concert is Sunday, June 1 at 2 p.m. That season opening concert includes an open car show. Owners of classic and specialty cars are invited to take part, with no registration necessary. A parking area for the vehicles opens at 1 p.m.
Most of the concerts begin at 2 p.m., with the exception of the Sunday, June 8 concert, which starts at 3 p.m., so guests can attend the Kids' Fest event in Chautauqua Park earlier in the afternoon and not miss the music.
A special July 3 evening concert takes place as part of the Star Spangled Spectacular activities, starting at 5:30 p.m. at Sunset Park.
The Municipal Band tradition continues to be strong, with one of the largest bands



in memory performing last year. Musicians of all ages and from several area communities take part in the band, and newcomers are always welcome. The band performs a wide variety of music from marches and classical pieces to pop tunes and movie themes. Veteran music educator Tom Musel returns as band director, with Matt Pearson as concert announcer.
For more information, announcements and concert previews, follow the Storm Lake Municipal Band Facebook page.

Witter Gallery
Summer Art Camp 2025

On the Farm
June 10: Paper Mache Chicken
June 11: Pigasso Drawing
June 12: Watercolor Horse
June 13: Britto Dog
June 14: Sheep Painting

Enchanted Forrest
July 15: Flower Crowns
July 16: Creature Mask
July 17: Unicorn Painting
July 18: Slime Potions
July 19: Glitter Trolls

Space
August 12: Rubber Band Rockets
August 13: Design a Space Buddy
August 14: Galaxy Paint Pour
August 15: Lantern Planet
August 16: Flying Saucer

Register your child for Witter Gallery's annual summer art camp. Classes are held from 2-3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 11 a.m.-noon on Saturdays. Cost is \$10 per class for members or \$12 for non-members; \$25 for three classes for members or \$32 for non-members; or \$40 for a whole week for members or \$50 for non-members. To register, call Witter Gallery at 712-732-3400 or email wittergallery@yahoo.com.

BV COUNTY CONSERVATION EVENTS

Naturalist Lunch Box: Ravens & crows

Naturalist Lunch Box is held at 12 p.m. on select Fridays in the summer at Storm Lake Marina. Pack a lunch and join the fun!
Naturalist Lunch Box is designed for all ages. The naturalist will present a short program on a selected topic and have hands-on activities for younger audience members.
Friday, June 6, at noon will be the first Naturalist Lunch-box program. The topic for this week is ravens and crows. Special guest Cassie Wendt, licensed wildlife rehabilitator,

will talk all about ravens and crows. She will also bring along her live raven and crow.
Storm Lake Marina is located at 207 W. Marina Road, Storm Lake. Register by June 4 at 4 p.m. by calling 712-295-7985. This program can be canceled due to inclement weather or lack of participants.
Fishing Derby
If you are between the ages of 6-15 and enjoy fishing, come out to Gustafson Lake – Gabrielson Park near Sioux Rapids on Saturday, June 7, for the annual Buena Vista County Conservation fishing derby. There will be two age divisions: 6-10 years of age and 11-15. First and second place prizes will be awarded for both age divisions for the heaviest single fish and for the heaviest stringer of three fish caught that day.
The fishing contest will begin at 9 a.m. and run until 11 a.m. Please be there before 9 a.m. to sign in. Participants ages 6-10 must be accompanied by an adult.
Registration is required for this event. Call 712-295-7985 by Friday, June 6, at 4 p.m.

HELLO summer

Mark your calendars for a summer of celebrations. Here's a list of the major ones in our area:

- June 7-8 — Varina's Quasquicentennial
- June 8 — Storm Lake Kids Fest
- June 20-21 — Albert City Meat Days (SummerFest)
- July 3-4 — Star Spangled Spectacular
- July 9-13 — Buena Vista County Fair
- July 11-12 — Schaller Popcorn Days
- July 18-19 — Early Crossroads Days
- July 25-27 — Sioux Rapids Tall Corn Days
- Aug. 1-3 — Newell Watermelon Days
- Aug. 8-10 — Albert City Threshermen & Collectors Show
- Aug. 22-24 — Wood, Wine & Blues
- Aug. 23-24 — Hanover Festival — two days this year!
- Labor Day Weekend (Aug. 29-Sept. 1) — Fonda Rodeo



SL Library hosting acclaimed writer and advocate Carver

Storm Lake Public Library will mark National Pride Month in June with a guest presentation via online link with nationally-acclaimed poet, novelist, educator, advocate and public speaker Willie Edward Taylor Carver Jr.
The public is invited to attend the presentation on Wednesday, June 4, starting at 4 p.m. at the library. Local resident Hugo Perez Loa will read selections from Carver's poetry.
Refreshments will be provided. The event is sponsored by a Random House United Libraries grant.
Carver was named Kentucky Teacher of the Year for 2022, but was forced to leave his career, citing discrimination. Later that same year, he testified before the Congressional Oversight Committee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. He has appeared on Good Morning America, speaking about the need for stories that reflect students' life experiences.

His poetry and creative writing has been published in anthologies and multiple magazines.
Carver's collection of narrative poetry, "Gay Poems for the Red States," has garnered many honors, including Book Riot's Best Book of the Year, American Booksellers Association's must-have book for poetry lovers award, Top 10 Best Book of Appalachia, Stonewall Book Award honor, and 2023 American Library Association "Over the Rainbow" book list award.
He also authored the fiction novel "Shortchanged," and has recently completed a second novel that is forthcoming.
Carver serves as director of the KY120 United AFT LGBTQ+ Taskforce, and advocates tirelessly to create safe climates in schools and opposing anti-LGBTQ+ legislation targeting youth. His outspoken advocacy led to a personal engagement with former President Biden as well as his testimony before members of Congress. He has delivered keynote addresses across the country on the challenges faced by LGBTQ+ youth and the importance of LGBTQ+-inclusive education.