Calendar of Events 2013–2014

<u>August</u>

Wacky Winey Wed @ La Vida Loca Winery Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery Farmer's Market Saturdays and Wednesdays Monday Night Bike Rides Friday Night Family Floats Starlight Cinema Outdoor Movies Saturdays in the Park Lil Farm Hands Indianola Story Walk Warren County Speedway Cardboard Boat Races Afternoon Prairie Walk

September

Wacky Winey Wed @ La Vida Loca Winery Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery Farmer's Market - Saturdays & Wednesdays Fall into Savings on The Square Warren County Log Cabin Days - 9/28 - 9/29 Monday Night Bike Rides Doggie Dive 9/3 Lil Farm Hands Warren County Health and Safety Fair Yoga in the Park Monarch Tagging - 9/28 Warren County Speedway

October

Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery Farmers Market - Saturdays Halloween Costume Party & Parade 10/26 Holiday Tour of Homes Fashion Show 10/26

November

Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery Holiday Extravaganza & Lighted Parade 11/22

December

Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery Holiday Tour of Homes - 11/13 - 11/14 Holiday Taste of Warren Country - 11/13

January

Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery

February

Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery Des Moines Home & Garden Show

March

Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery

<u>April</u>

Bike Down to I-Town 3rd Friday City -Wide Garage Sales 3rd weekend Figure 8 Races Sunday Tunes @ Summerset Winery

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For more details on events & activities visit www.indianolachamber.com or call (515) 961-6269

100+ Things to Do in **Indianola**

FYI

Indianola, Iowa is located in Warren County, just 12 miles south of Des Moines and only 15 minutes from the Des Moines International Airport.

Indianola was founded in 1849 and is the County Seat of Warren County. The population of Indianola is 14,782.

Indianola, Iowa is known for many things: National Hot Air Balloon Classic, Simpson College, Indianola Bike Night, The Des Moines Metro Opera, Bike Trails and Parks, Great Educational Opportunities, Art, Culture, Music, Wine, Volunteerism, Youth Activities, Shopping and *much much* more.

Whether you live in Indianola or you are visiting, we hope that this list of events and activities helps you to settle into something fun while you are here.

100+ Things to do in Indianola

Dining

- 1. □ Get your daily fix of Coffee at a local Café or coffee shop
- 2. □ Enjoy an Old Fashion Phosphate at the Corner Sundry
- 3. □ Have an 'Old Time Favorite' Drive-in at A&W
- 4. 🗖 Try a Dirty Rogalla at Pete's Pizza
- 5. Have a slice of cherry pie at Crouse Café
- 6. □ Enjoy baked-fresh daily cookies or an egg salad sandwich at Funaro's
- 7. \square Enjoy a cone or scoop of ice cream

Outdoor Activities

- 8. □ Explore Summerset State Park Banner Lakes (trout fishing, trails, handicap accessible)
- 9. \square Rent a bike to ride on our many trails
- 10. □ Take golf lessons or just go golfing (Deer Run golf course, Shady Oaks, Indianola Country Club)
- 11. □ Visit Camp Wesley Woods (archery, horseback riding, ropes course, sailing)
- 12.
 Navigate a river or lake and kayak
- 13. □ Take a walk or play in the park, visit Buxton, Barker, Dayton, DeNelsky, Easton, McCord, Memorial, Moats, Pickard, Sesquicentennial, and South parks
- 14. \Box Get your wheels on at Indianola Skate Park
- 15. □ Play our 18-hole disk championship-caliber golf course at Pickard Park
- 16. □ Learn about nature with a self-guided interpretive tree tour (Arboretum)
- 17. □ Walk a man's best friend at the dog park (Downey Memorial Park)
- 19. □ Enjoy the weather and grill out with the family at a local park or lake
- 20. \Box Toss a Frisbee in the park
- 21. □ Go horseback riding (Ridgetop Horse Ranch, Barnum Equestrian Center - Wesley Woods)
- 22. □ Workout at YMCA, Fusion Fitness, Anytime Fitness, Snap Fitness, Cross-Fit I-Town
- 23. □ Go for a swim (YMCA, Indianola Memorial Pool, Lake Ahquabi)
- 24. \Box Make s'mores and go camping
- 25. □ Catch a big one at Lake Ahquabi (fish, run, walk, swimming, Rollerblade, bike, canoe, pontoon, kayak, paddle boat, camp)
- 26. \Box Catch a trap shoot contest

Markets and Shopping

- 27. \Box Shop The Square and other retail treasures
- 29. □ Farmer's Market at the Warren County Fairgrounds
- 30. \Box Hunt for treasures at our flea market
- 31. □ Tour Edge of the Woods Raspberries Farms
 32. □ Choose a tree to shade your yard at Green
- Acres 33. □ Discover one of more than 800 varieties of Hosta at Flying Frog Farms (Hosta Farm)
- 34. □ Check off your shopping list at the turn of the century Garden Barn

Tours

- 35. □ Tour the Simpson College Campus
- 36. □ Visit God Bless America (American Gothic Tribute) on Simpson's Campus
- 37. □ Tour local gardens
- 38. 🗆 Visit Annett Nature Center
- 39. □ Have your afternoon tea with themed special tea's (Miss Spenser's Tea Room and Bed and Breakfast-Please book appointment)
- 40. □ Tour wineries (Summerset Winery, La Vida Loca Winery, Two Saints Winery)

Events and Performances

- 41. □ Pack a picnic basket and relax at Summerset Winery's Reds, Whites, & Blues
- 42. □ Break up your week and attend La Vida Loca Winery-Wacky Winey Wednesday
- 43. □ Attend the nationally-renowned Des Moines Metro Opera
- 44. □ Visit the Blank Performing Arts Center, home to the Des Moines Metro Opera in the summer
- 45. □ In the heat of the summer see a movie (Fridley Theatre)
- 46. □ Take advantage of the weather with an outdoor movie (Starlight Outdoor Cinema)
- 47. □ Catch a performance at the Carousel Community Theatre
- 48.
 Attend the Simpson Choral Invitational
- 49. □ Attend a Simpson Opera, musical or theatre event/production
- 50. □ Attend a Simpson College Choir Event (Honor Choir, Madrigal Singers, Women's Chorale, Choir and Chamber Singers)

- 51. □ Attend an Indianola High School Caberet performance
- 52. □ Attend Indianola High School musical and theatre events
- 53. □ Attend free Merchant Movies at Fridley Theatres
- 54. \Box Attend the Spring Fling Corvette Show
- 55. □ Take a 5K Volkswalk
- 56.
 Attend Figure 8 Races
- 57. □ Stop by the Indianola Classic Car and Truck Show and Shine
- 58. D Monday Night Bike Rides
- 59. D Bike Down to I-town Indianola Bike Night
- 60. 🗖 Friday Night Family Floats
- 61. □ Attend a concert on The Square at Bluegrass Tuesday's
- 62. □ Come hungry to the Warren County Harkin Steak Fry

- 65.
 Attend the Indianola Concert Series
- 66. □ Support Indianola High School and attend athletic events
- 67. □ Tailgate at a Simpson College Sporting event (Football, Soccer, Softball, Baseball, Basketball, Tennis, Swimming, Volleyball, Track and Field, Cross Country, Golf, Wrestling)
- 68.
 Attend the Simpson College Speaker Series

Educational

- 69. □ Read a book- Simpson College's Dunn Library and the Indianola Public Library
- 70. □ Visit the Warren County Historical Center (including the modular railroads)
- 72. □ Walk along the trails while reading a story with the Indianola Story Walk
- 73. 🗆 Visit Simpson's Farnham Art Gallery

Take a Class

- 75. □ Create a glass creation or make your own jewelry
- 76. \Box Feel the rhythm and take a dance class
- 77. □ Get your hips moving with a belly dancing class with Jewels Beyond the Nile at The STUDIO
- 78. □ Grab your friends or make new ones and join an exercise group

79. □ Register for a class at Simpson College 80. □ Take a class through Parks and Recreation

Random Fun

- 81. □ Renew your driver's license without waiting in an hour long line
- 82. \Box Fly away by scheduling a hot air balloon ride
- 83. □ You know you've always wanted to tour the fire station
- 84.
 Take a trip to City hall
- 85. □ Paint your own pottery at Indianola Glass Creations
- 86. □ Get ready for a local parade during the Open Air Market, Log Cabin Days, Holiday Extravaganza and homecoming
- 87. □ Take a ride horse and buggy rides around The Square during the Holiday Extravaganza
- 88. □ See if you are naughty or nice, visit Santa and get your picture taken during the Holiday Extravaganza
- 89. □ Spread holiday cheer and sing carols during the holiday season
- 90. \Box Attend a church service
- 91. □ Capture a moment and get a family photo from any of our local photographers
- 92. □ Adopt an animal from Kiya Koda Humane Society
- 93. \Box Volunteer and give back
- 94. □ Shoot something at a shooting range -Warren County Izaac Walton League (trap shooting open to the public), Banner Shooting Range
- 95. Conquer the snow and go snowmobiling
- 96. □ Go cross country skiing
- 97. \Box Race out to the Warren County Speedway
- 98. □ Mmm... eat a meal at Warren County Fair Grounds

Relax

- 100. \square Relax while exercising with Yoga in The Park
- 101. Get adjusted and go to the chiropractor
- 102.□ Pamper yourself with a mani-pedi
- 103.□ Look and feel fancy, get your hair done
- 104. Take a lap or two at the Blake Fieldhouse

*This is an ever evolving list. If you have suggestions of activities to add please e-mail The Chamber.