

Calendar of Events

- September 26, 2024 **1 OAK Presents: Dried Floral Mini Pumpkin Workshop**
The Village, A WesleyLife Community
1203 North E Street
Indianola, IA 50125
12:30 PM - 01:00 PM CST
Monica Vail, 5155776737
mvail@wesleylife.org
Create your own unique Fall decoration at The Village on your lunch break! Join 1 OAK at 12:30pm. Registration is required. Cost o workshop is \$15, and includes all supplies. Register at: 1oakiowa.com
- September 26, 2024 **Warren County Chambers Annual Womens Event**
Carlisle High School Wildcat Activity Center
430 School Street
Carlisle, IA 50047
08:30 AM - 11:30 AM CST
Mark your calendars for September 26th for the Warren County Chamber's Annual Women's Mentoring Event! This event, planned in conjunction with the Carlisle and Norwalk Chambers will be held at Carlisle High School Wildcat Activity Center with special guest speaker, Kim Reynolds!
- Register [HERE!](#)*
- September 28, 2024 **Yoga in the Park**
Buxton Park
705 N. Buxton St.
Indianola, IA 50125
09:00 AM - 10:00 AM CST
Brandon DeCook, 515.961.9420
bdecook@indianolaiowa.gov
Practice yoga in the beauty and serenity of Buxton Park each Saturday morning from June through September, EXCEPT July 27 and August 3 during the National Balloon Classic, when we will meet at 7:00 am at the Memorial Balloon Field.
- Free event, thanks to our volunteer instructors!*
Sign up to receive text alerts for weather cancellations at indianolaiowa.gov/PRtext
- Sponsored by Indianola Parks & Recreation*

September 28, 2024

Indianola Downtown Farmers Market

Indianola Downtown

1151 N. Howard St

Indianola, IA 50125

08:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

The Indianola Downtown Farmers Market is a community event that takes place every Saturday morning on the square outside of the Warren County Justice Center. It provides fresh and locally grown produce at affordable prices, handmade artwork, and many other treats and items to share. In addition to providing support to small businesses, the market also serves as a gathering place for the community. Come and join us to experience the joys of our farmers market starting Spring of 2024!

September 28, 2024

- September 29, 2024

Log Cabin Days Festival 2024

1300 W. 2nd Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

10:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

Warren County Historical Society,

Save the dates! Log Cabin Days Festival 2024 plans are well underway. We will be celebrating our Warren County railroad heritage.

September 28, 2024

Indianola Farmers Market

Warren County Fairgrounds

1400 W 2nd Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

08:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Kathy DeAngelo, 5153439838

kdeangelo1981@gmail.com

Indianola Farmers Market!

Produce

Baked Goodies

Food and Drink

Located at the Warren County Fairgrounds from 8 to noon

Every Saturday until October 26th.

October 1, 2024

Candidate Forum

Trinity United Presbyterian Church

200 S Howard St

Indianola, IA 50125

07:00 PM - 09:00 PM CST

The Independent Advocate and Warren County Chambers are pleased to invite you to a candidate forum featuring Supervisor candidates for Districts 3,4, and 5 and House candidates for District 21. All candidates have been invited to attend.

Event Schedule:

The forum will be broadcast live on Facebook, with additional coverage by the local newspaper and possibly KNIA radio.

We look forward to seeing you there!

October 2, 2024

Classic Bingo - 2024

West Hill Brewing Company

219 W. Salem Ave.

Indianola, IA 50125

06:00 PM - 07:30 PM CST

West Hill Brewing Company , 515.962.5884

westhillbrewingcompany@gmail.com

Classic Bingo. Free to play, rent a marker for \$1

Time: 6pm-7:30pm

October 2, 2024

Simpson College's Intern & Career Fair

Kent Campus Center

701 North C St.

Indianola, IA 50125

12:00 PM - 03:00 PM CST

This is Simpson's first time in many years hosting a larger career fair, and this event aims to connect students interested in internships and jobs with employers from a variety of different industries. Simpson encourages our exploring students to attend to learn more about career opportunities and make professional connections.

This event is free. Due to this, lunch will not be provided but there are eating establishments in the campus center, which is where the event will be hosted.

Employers' registration deadline for this career fair is September 23rd at 4 PM. Space is limited and registration will close once it is full. To register, please [click here](#).

October 3, 2024

Cribbage

The Local Vine

126 W. Ashland

Indianola, IA 50125

06:30 PM - 09:00 PM CST

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palmer@indylocalvine.com

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October 3, 2024

City of Indianola Water Resource Recovery Facility Open House
10939 Grimes St
Indianola, IA 50125
01:00 PM - 03:00 PM CST

Learn More About Indianola's Water Resource Recovery Facility: Open House on October 3, 2024

From 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, all are invited to learn more about the new state-of-the-art facility with a behind-the-scenes tour, interact with staff and see the overall plant workflow in action.

INDIANOLA, IA — After almost two years since the start of operations, the City of Indianola is thrilled to host an open house to showcase its new state-of-the-art Water Resource Recovery Facility, dedicated personnel and overall plant workflow.

Event Details

DATE: Thursday, October 3, 2024

TIME: 1:00-3:00 P.M.

LOCATION: 10939 Grimes Street, Indianola, IA 50125 | [Parking & Route Map](#) >

PURPOSE: All are invited to learn more about the facility with a behind-the-scenes tour, interact with staff and see how the plant works. Light appetizers and refreshments will also be provided.

About The Plant

Nestled in northwest Indianola outside of city limits, the City of Indianola's new state-of-the-art Water Resource Recovery Facility is one of the first wastewater treatment plants in the state to implement the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy – a science and technology-based approach to assess and reduce nutrients like nitrogen and phosphorus delivered to Iowa waterways and the Gulf of Mexico.

Planning and development of the revamped site began in March 2016, with construction breaking ground in April 2020. The previous wastewater treatment plant, built in 1978 and designed for a population of 11,600 residents, was well beyond its useful life of 30 years, aging infrastructure and stricter regulations where the community's investment for a new plant was essential.

Following its completion in October 2022, and with an estimated growing population of more than 16,000 residents, the City of Indianola's Water Resource Recovery Facility today meets all of the state regulations established by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and the federal requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

In April, the facility received the grand prize in the Water/Wastewater category for the 2024 Engineering Excellence Awards Competition.

For more information about the Water Resource Recovery Facility and the Water Resource Recovery Department, please visit www.indianolaiowa.gov/163/Water-Resource-Recovery-Department.

RSVP

If you would like to attend the open house, and to help the City gauge interest in preparation of the open house, please RSVP by the end of the day Friday, September 27. Access RSVP Form >

Questions & Support

If you have any questions or require additional support, please contact City of Indianola Communications Manager Aaron Young at ayoung@indianolaiowa.gov or 515-962-5306.

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October 3, 2024

Boos & Brews DIY Night at West Hill Brewing

West Hill Brewing Company

219 W. Salem Ave.

Indianola, IA 50125

06:00 PM - 08:30 PM CST

West Hill Brewing Company ,

westhillbrewingcompany@gmail.com

Join us @ West Hill Brewery on October 3 in Indianola from 6-8:30pm for a fall decoration Make and take. Price includes on Pint of beer, cider or NA beverage.

You can choose from 3 projects. All materials including tons of paint colors will be provided. Make this a fun night with friends. ONE BEER ticket is also included for you.

All projects are made of wood.

1. Pumpkin with name-approximately 10"

Wide. Come with easel. Paint this any color and choose word or choice.

2. Door hanger-14" in size.

Paint this any color you want and choose word for center. Ideas include: hello fall, welcome, hello, hi,

3. Sunflower-10" in size. Choose any colors and a word of your choice. Comes with easel.

Please double check you are choosing the correct project. Choose local pick up at checkout so you don't get charged for shipping.

A minimum of 10 must be signed up or event will be cancelled and you will be refunded.

Please sign up by September 20.

October 4, 2024

Steak Night @ The Village

The Village, A WesleyLife Community

1203 North E Street

Indianola, IA 50125

05:00 PM - 07:00 PM CST

Amber McDonald, 515-961-0878

amcdonald@wesleylife.org

Join us for our First Friday Steak Night, open to the public!

Mark your calendars for October 4th from 5-7 PM (or until supplies last) for a delicious evening at The Village.

For just \$12, enjoy:

- A 6oz sirloin from Milo Locker Meats

- Baked potato

- Village house salad

- Fresh-baked dinner roll

We're also hosting Music Bingo with prizes, and a full-service bar will be available throughout the night.

If you can't make it in October, our next Steak Night is on November 1st. Bring your friends and join us for a fun, recurring community event!

October 5, 2024

Indianola Farmers Market
Warren County Fairgrounds
1400 W 2nd Ave
Indianola, IA 50125

08:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST
Kathy DeAngelo, 5153439838
kdeangelo1981@gmail.com
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October 5, 2024

COC Run Walk Roll 5k Fun Run/Walk
Banner Lakes at Summerset State Park
13084 Elkhorn St
Indianola, Io 50219-1292

08:00 AM - 11:00 AM CST
Amy Zuck, 5159613653
azuck@christianopportunity.org

The Christian Opportunity Center (COC) is excited to invite you to join us for the upcoming COC Run Walk Roll 5k Fun Run/ Walk on October 5th at Banner Lakes at Summerset State Park. COC is a non-profit that provides opportunities and services for individuals with disabilities. The COC Run Walk Roll will feature a 5K Fun Run and a flexible walk/roll option, welcoming participants of all ages and abilities. The COC Run Walk Roll will celebrate all abilities and the potential of individuals with disabilities, promoting understanding and inclusion within our community.

October 5, 2024

Buxton Bouquets
Buxton Park
705 N Buxton St
Indianola, IA 50125

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CST
Indianola Parks & Rec,

Join City Horticulturist Angie Buchanan at Buxton Park to harvest flowers and foliage before the beds are cleaned out and the park is readied for winter. Bring hand shears/pruners and a container with water to hold your blooms. All ages are invited to come and enjoy this free event.

October 7, 2024

Jaunts with Jim
The Village, A WesleyLife Community
1203 North E Street
Indianola, IA 50125

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM CST
Monica Vail, 5155776737
mvail@wesleylife.org

Jaunts with Jim Presents: CUBA ~ Cars, Culture and Color
Join Jim for a travel log featuring his photography from adventures around the world!
Jim calls himself The Seasoned Vagabond due to his 50 years of photography for books, magazines and newspapers.

October 7, 2024

Iowa Author Book Talk: Linda McCann

The Village, A WesleyLife Community

1203 North E Street

Indianola, IA 50125

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM CST

Monica Vail, 5155776737

mvail@wesleylife.org

Don't miss the free "Rosie the Riveter of Iowa" program on Wednesday, Sept. 11th at 10 am. During the event, author Linda McCann will share inspiring stories of the women who supported the war effort during WWII. She had firsthand accounts from 35 women who worked as Rosie the Riveters, and copies of all her books will be available for purchase. Rosie the Riveter was a name used to encourage women to go to work during WWII to replace men who were fighting the war. Iowa had 70 businesses that used women to help with the production of military needs. Linda McCann will speak about these experiences and the different roles these women took on, whether in Iowa or on the West Coast.

October 8, 2024

Advanced Facilitation

<https://www.yourclearnextstep.com/product/advanced-facilitation-public/>

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

Sinikka Waugh, 515-422-0545

admin@yourclearnextstep.com

Overview

Some meetings - and some meeting participants - are really tough! Gain and practice proven techniques to protect the productivity of the meeting and keep things moving forward well, even in the face of resistance, hostility, apathy, attempted domination, and other unprofessional behaviors. In this full-day workshop, we'll weave stories of disruptive behavior into techniques of how to manage them with grace. Keeping in mind the essentials of any effective meeting and supplementing those critical foundations with advanced techniques to use when the meeting is at a standstill.

Objectives

By attending this course, participants will...

Practice anticipating and preparing for the challenges that will most likely occur in your meeting environment

Gain proven techniques as a facilitator to keep your cool under fire

Practice regaining control in a safe environment, so you can be ready when the next meeting turns unpleasant

Gain tools you can use to help others manage better meetings

October 10, 2024

The Funky Zebras Boutique of Indianola and Essential Body Wear Bra Party

The Funky Zebras Boutique of Indianola

112 E Salem Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

05:30 PM - 07:00 PM CST

The Funky Zebras Boutique of Indianola, 5153040773

shop@thefunkyzebrasindianola.com

Join us for our very FIRST hosted event! In honor of October being Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we are partnering with Essential Body Wear and hosting a bra party! Kim Maroney will be here with Essential Body Wear to perform bra fittings custom to each individual! We will also be selling breast cancer awareness shirts, which a portion of those sales will go DIRECTLY to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation!! We will be providing snacks and sparkling rose, along with prizes and great coupons to use in store!!! We are so excited to be able to work with local vendors and bring awareness to Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

October 11, 2024

- October 13, 2024

Family Connection Retreat

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center

10896 Nixon St

Indianola, IA 50125

Starts at 6pm on the 11th and Ends at 10:30am on the 13th

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center,

Bring the whole family for a weekend filled with fun and connection at Wesley Woods! We believe that strong family relationships are vitally important, which is why we created the Family Connection Camp. Spend quality time together in God's creation while enjoying a variety of engaging activities.

At Family Connection Camp, you can look forward to:

Hiking scenic trails

Sharing campfire stories and songs

Participating in camp favorites like Archery, Fishing, and Canoeing

Special Fall Fun with Pumpkin Carving and Pumpkin Chunkin!

Our goal is to help you strengthen your family bonds in a distraction-free environment. Join us for a weekend of adventure, laughter, and meaningful experiences that will deepen your family relationships. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to grow closer together in the beautiful surroundings of Wesley Woods!

October 12, 2024

Community Yoga + Beer at West Hill Brewing

West Hill Brewing Company

219 W. Salem Ave.

Indianola, IA 50125

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM CST

Begin Again Yoga, (641) 430-7447

bethany@beginagainyoga.com

Join Bethany with Begin Again Yoga for community yoga at West Hill Brewing Company. Enjoy a 60-minute uplifting yoga class and beer fellowship following (N/A options available). This event is all about building community, so all are welcome whether you are new to yoga or are a more seasoned yogi.

A \$20 admission gets you yoga plus one complimentary beer, hard cider, or non-alcoholic beverage before the taproom is open to the public. Taproom doors open prior to class at 10:30 a.m.

October 12, 2024

Wesley Woods Fall Festival
Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center
10896 Nixon St
Indianola, IA 50125

01:00 PM - 04:00 PM CST

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center,

Join us for a fun fall day at Wesley Woods! October 12th from 1 – 4pm. We'll have family friendly activities including: Crafts, Face Painting, Inflatable Bounce House and Obstacle Course, pressing Apples for Cider, and more! Come enjoy the beautiful scenery, take a hike and have some fun. Free Event!

October 16, 2024

Project Management Fundamentals (State of Iowa)

<https://www.yourclearnextstep.com/product/projectmanagementfundamentals/>

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

Sinikka Waugh, 515-422-0545

admin@yourclearnextstep.com

Overview

This lively and highly interactive session will give individuals the critical essentials for getting a project done, regardless of the size or complexity, offering you techniques, concepts, and tools that will save you time and energy right away. This class is designed for individuals who are new to the PM space and need an introduction, or those more seasoned PMs who could use a refresher. This class includes everything you need to know to manage a successful project. Filled with fun activities and plenty of group interaction, this class will introduce you to many topics including, what a project manager is, what a project is, the project lifecycle, and helpful mnemonics. Additionally, participants will walk away with tools they can apply right away

Objectives

By attending this course, participants will . . .

Describe a project in a meaningful way –including the “what” and the “why” of it, a summary of the “how” and a prioritized statement of high-priority risks.

Describe the road map of project management, include the processes and knowledge areas that contribute to project success, with a focus on stakeholder management through influence regardless of authority:

Managing the triple constraint of Scope, Time, and Cost

Effective communication management

Risk management

Describe how the transition process impacts their team, and how projects cause change

October 17, 2024

Extended Visiting Hours

Annett Nature Center

15565 118th Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

04:30 PM - 06:30 PM CST

Take advantage of our extended hours on the 3rd Thursday of each month to visit the Annett Nature Center!

There may be new things to check out, an activity, or a chance to visit after school and work that might be harder during our regular office hours!

- October 19, 2024 **Indianola Contra / Barn Dance**
First United Methodist Church
307 W Ashland Ave
Indianola, IA 50125
07:00 PM - 10:00 PM CST
First United Methodist Church , (515) 961-5317
fumc@indfumc.org
- October 19, 2024 **ICYF Trunk or Treat**
Indianola Football Stadium Parking Lot
06:00 PM - 08:00 PM CST
taylor litchkey, 5156815726
taylorn@icyf.org
see flyer
- October 21, 2024 **Halloween Hike**
The Annett Nature Center
15565 118th Ave.
Indianola, IA 50125
06:30 PM - 08:00 PM CST
Kelsey Longnecker, 515-961-6169
kelsey@warrencountyia.org
- October 23, 2024 **2024 October Meeting**
Scotch Ridge United Presbyterian Church
13015 Scotch Ridge Rd
Carlisle, IA 50047
11:00 AM - 02:00 PM CST
Heidi Folkestad, 515-229-1074
ackworthgardenclub@gmail.com
Ackworth Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, October 23rd at Scotch Ridge Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. The business meeting will begin at 11:00 AM with gardening Q&A. A lite lunch/snack provided by October hosts follows the meeting at Noon with a program at 1:00 PM. This month's program is Iowa Bird Rehabilitation presented by Jenni Boonjakuakul.
- October 23, 2024 **Visit from Iowa State University's Economic Development and Industry Relations Team**
Peoples Bank - Admin Building
500 E Iowa Ave
Indianola, IA 50125
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM CST
Indianola Chamber of Commerce, 515.961.6269
office@indianolachamber.com
We are excited to welcome Lisa Shimkat, State Director of the Iowa Small Business and Development Centers, to Indianola for an informative luncheon. Lisa will be sharing insights into how Iowa State University's Economic Development and Industry Relations (EDIR) office supports business growth and economic development across the state.
- This is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about the resources available to help your business thrive. Lunch will be provided. Don't miss this chance to connect and engage with leaders in economic development!*

October 25, 2024

Wine Withces and Brews
Indianola Downtown Mainstreet
115 N Buxton St
Indianola, IA 50125

05:00 PM - 09:00 PM CST

Indianola Downtown Mainstreet, indianoladowntownmer

Join us on Friday, October 25, 2024 from 5-9 pm for a magical evening of shopping at our local boutiques and businesses while sampling wines & brews. SO MUCH FUN IS BEING ADDED THIS YEAR! Be sure to follow Indianola Downtown Mainstreet's facebook page as we release details beginning August 1. Costumes are encouraged (but not required.) This is a great girls night out!

Tickets, which get you a wristband to participate, are \$21.40; VIP tickets (which include a pre-party, VIP bag and wristband are limited) are \$53.50. Must be 21 or over to participate. Tickets go live on September 1st at noon! Set your alarm- VIP tickets sold out last year in minutes and the first 500 tickets with the free gift sold out in 24 hours. After that, wristband only tickets will be sold.

October 25, 2024

Halloween Party at West Hill Brewing
West Hill Brewing
219 W. Salem Ave.
Indianola, IA 50125

04:00 PM - 11:00 PM CST

West Hill Brewing Company ,
westhillbrewingcompany@gmail.com

Party in Spooky Style with West Hill Brewing and Wine Witches and Brews! Drink Specials, Witches Cackle Contest, Costume Contest, Live Music, Food Truck!

October 26, 2024

Children's Costume Party
Indianola Downtown Mainstreet
115 N. Howard St.
Indianola, IA 50125

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Free activities, trick or treating at businesses around the Indianola square and a costume contest make for a morning filled with family-friendly fun at this event that has been an Indianola tradition since 1998!

See the event page on facebook for a listing of all the activities and contest costume schedule!

October 29, 2024

Enabling Change and Empowering Changemakers

<https://info.yourclearnextstep.com/enablingchangeffreewebinar>

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM CST

Sinikka Waugh, 515-422-0545

admin@yourclearnextstep.com

With just a handful of key concepts, Changemakers can enable change in an organization in a way that protects business interests, empowers people, and simplifies the process. Join us in this session to learn more.

Changemakers are the individuals who put the good of the organization first, make authentic human connection, and consistently treat change as a process, not an event. They make things happen. More often than not, though, Changemakers get stuck. There's not enough budget. Our projects keep falling behind. We rarely stick to a change when we propose one. Someone is always upset about an initiative. Is there a better way? Yes!

This jam packed and engaging session will give you the tools and techniques for a better way...

*For change
To get more done
To bring people along*

By attending this course, participants will:

*Gain tools to help you improve your influence
Encounter a simple, easy-to-apply model for talking about one of the most disruptive forces at work
Enable you to identify and empower Changemakers around you*

November 6, 2024

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Indianola, IA 50125

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November 6, 2024
- November 7, 2024

Project Management Seminar (State of Iowa)

<https://www.yourclearnextstep.com/product/projectmanagementseminar/>

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

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Designed specifically for those who are actively managing projects, this class is a deep dive into the processes, knowledge areas, inputs, and outputs you need to know about to manage projects more effectively. Based on the best practices of the Project Management Institute's Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge, this highly interactive class will give you a chance to evaluate and improve your approach to project management.

You'll learn about the constants – those fundamentals of project management that hold true regardless of the scope or nature of the project – plus you'll be exposed to some of the most common reasons project approaches vary. This hands-on, no-nonsense class can serve as a foundation for project managers new to their role, as well as an eye-opening refresher for seasoned project managers who have been managing projects for years, and you will come away with tools you can use right away.

During this course, participants will:

Identify the ten knowledge areas described by PMI's PMBOK

Practice creating commonly-used artifacts within the Project Management Lifecycle

Describe some of the common mistakes made in Project Management

Practice creating and managing a project plan

Create solution options for building and maintaining a project team

Identify opportunities for improvement, using recent projects as examples

November 7, 2024

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Indianola, IA 50125

06:30 PM - 09:00 PM CST

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November 12, 2024

The Art and Science of Process Improvement and Problem Solving

<https://www.yourclearnextstep.com/product/the-art-and-science-of-process-improvement-and-problem->

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

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Overview

This class covers the foundations of problem solving and critical thinking, starting with making sure that you're solving the right problem, identifying the best possible solution options, creating an actionable plan for your solution, and then taking that critical first step. Your solution is only three steps away! With practical, hands-on examples, learn how to identify the right problem, uncover the right solution, and put the right action plan into place. Learn some easy-to-apply tips that help you solve even the most complex problems, head-on, without getting overwhelmed by the problems you're facing and without becoming distracted by the first solution that comes along.

Objectives

By attending this course, participants will...

Discover decision-making tools to help you identify the right solution

Encounter specific techniques to ensure you're solving the right problem

Practice using a reusable tool to help you approach any problem that comes your way

Gain proven strategies for creating the right plan of action to move forward

Get tools and techniques to improve your facilitation skills

Contextualize problem solving within process improvement / continuous improvement

November 14, 2024

Moonlight Hike

Annett Nature Center

15565 118th Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

06:00 PM - 07:00 PM CST

Embark on a guided hike under the enchanting glow of the moon, immersing yourself in the beauty of nature. This program is designed to provide a memorable and educational outdoor experience, blending tranquility, adventure, and history!

As the sun sinks further behind the horizon, a naturalist will lead you through carefully chosen trails, ensuring your safety while experiencing the natural world in a whole new (lack of) light. The trail will be illuminated only by the glow of the full moon, creating an atmospheric ambiance that adds a touch of mystery and magic to the adventure. If the sky is cloudy it will cause the trail to be even darker! This program is tailored to cater to participants of various fitness levels and age groups. Whether you are a seasoned hiker or a beginner, we will adjust the pace and difficulty according to the group's requirements, allowing everyone to enjoy the experience.

This guided nocturnal exploration provides a unique opportunity to witness the nocturnal wildlife in action. Listen attentively and you may catch the sounds of hooting owls, or rustling wildlife. Spotting nocturnal creatures like foxes, deer, or even an elusive raccoon adds an extra layer of excitement to the adventure.

No flashlights are required. While you can bring a flashlight if you feel absolutely necessary, we ask that you do not turn it on unless absolutely necessary! We want to have a chance to experience our true night vision. The naturalist will have lights in case of emergency.

Space is limited. Registration opens October 14th.

November 16, 2024

Indianola Contra / Barn Dance

First United Methodist Church

307 W Ashland Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

07:00 PM - 10:00 PM CST

First United Methodist Church , (515) 961-5317

fumc@indfumc.org

November 20, 2024

2024 November Meeting

Scotch Ridge United Presbyterian Church

13015 Scotch Ridge Rd

Carlisle, IA 50047

11:00 AM - 02:00 PM CST

Heidi Folkestad, 515-229-1074

ackworthgardenclub@gmail.com

Ackworth Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, November 20th at Scotch Ridge Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. The business meeting will begin at 11:00 AM with gardening Q&A. A lite lunch/snack provided by November hosts follows the meeting at Noon with a program at 1:00 PM. This month's program is Make & Take Holiday craft.

November 21, 2024

Extended Visiting Hours

Annett Nature Center

15565 118th Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

04:30 PM - 06:30 PM CST

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November 23, 2024

Home for the Holidays Lighted Parade 2024

Indianola Downtown Mainstreet

07:30 PM - 09:15 PM CST

Indianola Chamber of Commerce, 515.961.6269

haley@indianolachamber.com

On November 23rd during the Home for the Holidays event on the Indianola Downtown Square, the Indianola Chamber is hosting the annual Holiday Lighted Parade. We want to make this the best lighted parade ever! We are asking YOU to sign your organization up to be a part of the parade! Here are the details for the event:

Parade Time: The parade will kick off at 7:30, participants should start lining up at 7:00pm to ensure a smooth start

Float Requirements: Participants provide a parade entry, we encourage floats, vehicles, and even decorated people! The only requirement is that your entry is creatively decorated with lights to illuminate the parade route.

Candy and Treat: Feel free to bring your own candy or treats to distribute to the excited onlookers. It's a great way to spread holiday joy!

Competition: To add an extra element of fun, there will be prizes for various categories. Let your creativity shine and you might be the winner!

Let's come together to make the "Home for the Holidays" a memorable event for our community!

November 23, 2024

Home for the Holidays

Indianola Downtown Mainstreet

04:00 PM - 10:00 PM CST

Indianola Downtown Mainstreet,

Leslie@bobscustomtrophies.com

Indianola Downtown Mainstreet is preparing for Home for the Holidays 2024!

This years event will be held on Saturday, November 23rd on the Indianola Downtown Mainstreet! We are busy planning up fun things for people of all ages! Stay tuned for more information!

?Santa

Letters to Santa

Christmas and Disney Character Meet & Greet

Train

Live Windows

Christmas Vendors

Christmas Carolers

Photo ops

Lighted Parade and more!

December 4, 2024

Classic Bingo - 2024

West Hill Brewing Company

219 W. Salem Ave.

Indianola, IA 50125

06:00 PM - 07:30 PM CST

West Hill Brewing Company , 515.962.5884

westhillbrewingcompany@gmail.com

Classic Bingo. Free to play, rent a marker for \$1

Time: 6pm-7:30pm

December 5, 2024

Cribbage

The Local Vine

126 W. Ashland

Indianola, IA 50125

06:30 PM - 09:00 PM CST

The Local Vine, (515) 442-0686

palmer@indylocalvine.com

Come on over and play 5 games in this friendly cribbage tournament. Boards and cards are provided.

\$5 pay-in. Points are tallied between all 5 games. Winning individual receives 50% of the pay-ins, 2nd place receives 30%, 3rd place receives 20%.

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December 7, 2024

Candy Cane Hike

Middleswart Lodge

15875 118th Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

09:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Tis the season to bust out your favorite ugly sweater and candy cane stripes!

Come hike the trails at the Middleswart Lodge to find the candy canes hidden along the trail. Do you have the eyes to find them all? If so, enter your guess in the candy cane box for your chance to win a candy cane-themed goodie bag.

The winner will be drawn at noon, and you do not have to be present to win. Staff will have candy canes, hot chocolate, coffee, or hot cider for you to enjoy after your hike, while supplies last. Feel free to come and go as you please.

Don't forget to check out our awesome vendors at the Fall Nature Market inside the Middleswart Lodge and warm up by the fire when you go inside to drop off your guesses!

Registration is not required but encouraged. Registration opens October 7th, 2024.

December 7, 2024

Fall Nature Market

Middleswart Lodge

15875 118th Ave

Indianola, IA 50125

09:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Warren County Conservation Board is hosting our second local nature and craft related vendor fair. We want to support local merchants in our beautiful park setting. Vendors will have all sorts of items to get you ready for the upcoming holiday season.

**Vendor Fees will support a nature playscape at the Annett Nature Center.*

Free To Enter!

Each vendor was selected based on how well their products fit into the following categories: nature-themed, hand crafted, up cycled or repurposed, Iowa based, photography, artwork, items locally grown or created, and items inspired by nature.

Unique items are preferred, and similar vendors will not be doubled.

December 10, 2024

Bringing Out The Best In Others

<https://www.yourclearnextstep.com/product/bringing-out-the-best-in-others-public/>

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

Sinikka Waugh, 515-422-0545

admin@yourclearnextstep.com

Overview

Goals and expectations are critical to success, but sometimes, we set bad goals with good intentions. We've got tips and tricks to help you set (and achieve!) better, SMART-er goals with the end in mind. Now that you have your goals, you need to follow-up and provide feedback to your team. Let's explore ways to maximize your own emotional intelligence and self-management in the moment while also being sensitive to the other person in the conversation so you can manage your conversations well, whether that's providing praise or sharing corrective feedback. Don't forget about appreciation! Expressing appreciation at work is critical to building healthy employee morale, but sometimes it's easy to forget, and even easier said than done. We'll explore the 5 Languages of Appreciation and where they fit, along with tactical tips to help you get your appreciation across!

Objectives

By attending this course, participants will...

Set clear expectations with your team, peers, and colleagues

Thoughtfully provide feedback others can hear

Deliver appreciation with individual styles in mind

December 19, 2024

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January 1, 2025

new event

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center

10896 Nixon St

Indianola, IA 50125

01:00 PM - 04:15 PM CST

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center,

Join us for a First Day Hike! Start your new year off with a fun hike through the property at Wesley Woods. The guided portion of the hike will be about a mile long, mostly flat (with exceptions when entering and leaving the Campney Nature Trail). Shorter all gravel options will also be available.

February 14, 2025

- February 16, 2025

Couples Camp Retreat

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center

10896 Nixon St

Indianola, IA 50125

Starts Feb 14t at 6:30pm and ends on Feb 16 at 11am

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center,

We are excited to invite you and your spouse to a special weekend getaway at Wesley Woods! This will be a memorable experience for you as a couple, and all you need to do is show up—we'll handle all the details. God has blessed us with our spouses, and He desires for us to invest time in strengthening and celebrating this union.