



## WideSpot Performing Arts

"What's going on this week at WideSpot?" is a question asked throughout the region. Folks ask the question not because they're confused, but because Wide-Spot provides such a broad range of entertainment options that a visitor might find a Grammy winning musical act, or a community gathering with a pot luck, or a play, or maybe a film.

WideSpot is a community based, non-profit performing arts center located in Stockholm just above the Pie Shop. It seats 125 people, maximum, and has a stage, full sound system, lighting, a bar, and a following of fans from around the region. You'll find the schedule is laid out by season, so you can plan your schedule accordingly.

For people interested in music listening, the artists who perform here uniformly talk about how nice it is to play for an audience that listens. We've had blues, jazz, classical, bluegrass, Irish, Finnish, Swedish, Country, Cajun, French, Dixieland, rock, folk, Americana and other styles on stage over the years.

Theater goers can enjoy performances by the WideSpot players, or area youth who attend our theater camp, or participate in a murder mystery interactive show to find out who really done it.

In years past, WideSpot has hosted four or five Gumbo Kickoffs, where the top three chefs win fabulous prizes. We've hosted pot luck meals to benefit our neighbors and community organizations. We've had guest speakers talking about water quality issues, sand mining concerns, and park planning concerns.

We've been fortunate enough to partner with the Flyway Film Festival for many years, providing a large screen, as well as technical expertise to show films each October.

You'll find WideSpot has events from late August through early June. There are enough fun alternatives in the region during the summer months that we take some time off.



Goin' Coastal! 7.2 Live-Audience Radio Variety Show to perform final show of Season 10 on June 7th @ 7pm.

Information about WideSpot, upcoming events, ticket sales, volunteer sign ups, can all be found at www.widespot.org



WideSpot Performing Arts Center is located on the second floor just above Stockholm Pie and General Store.



## A Foodie Favorite

It all started in the tiny village of Stockholm WI. Using all real ingredients in that world famous crust, a foodie favorite was born.

One thing led to another and the tiny pie shop became famous around the world for its amazing from scratch pies.

Road Food Guide keeps it on their 100 best places to eat list, Splendid table was crazy about the pot pie. Gourmet said the Double Lemon was one of the best things they ate that year.. and the list just keeps growing.

The tiny space on the corner of the Great River Road and Spring Street in "downtown" Stockholm was charming and very "friendly"... all 500 square feet of it... and that included the counter, the dining area seating about 12, the kitchen and the bathroom :) From the beginning, lines were out the door. Soon they added on delicious lunches and expanded the space to seat about 60, along with a charming general store filled with nostalgia, candy, and fun! And lines are still to the doors in the busy season. Then in 2018, they added the Pie Plate Cafe and Red Wing General Store in Red Wing, MN. The shops are destinations for pie and food lovers around the globe. It all started around the kitchen table of one of the owners - a brother/sister/brother-in-law combination. They took a bite of the apple dumpling that she had made and they jokingly said "hey, we could sell these, they are so good!" What set it apart from any other pie was the crust,... that flaky, crazy delicious crust. To this day, every pie is made from scratch with that crust, one at a time. You won't find any cans of filling or commercially made things... just real fruit, sugar, spices and that secret recipe crust... and don't forget the whipped cream... also a treasured secret. The menu has grown to include a broad array of sandwiches, those famous pot pies

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## Weddings on the West Coast

The west coast of Wisconsin is quickly becoming the new wedding capitol of Wisconsin. There is a growing number of beautiful venues that host weddings as well as pre-wedding parties, such as bridal showers, bachelor parties and rehearsal dinners. These venues all highlight and utilize the area's beautiful natural scenery in their own unique way.

Here to serve as a resource to these local venues is Shindig Marvel, Vintage Event Rentals. Shindig Marvel offers an eclectic variety of vintage, rustic dinnerware & decor that has been collected over time. It is meant to be mixed and matched to suit a variety of styles from backyard picnic to lush elegance. Owner & Event Coordinator, Sarah Smith-Prokosch will work with you to determine your needs for the day and to help create your 'look', thoughtfully.

Shindig Marvel can serve up to 250 guests with the collection of mismatched china, goblets, champagne glasses, silverware, vintage linens, candlesticks, cake plates and platters, hand lettered chalk boards, old tin buckets, fruit crates and picnic baskets...the collection is too extensive to list.

Shindig Marvel is conveniently located at Humble Moon Folkstead, on Hwy 35 in Stockholm, no more than 20 minutes from 9 of the local venues. It's an easy pick up location, unless you've opted for delivery and maybe even set-up. Better yet...you don't have to wash any dishes! Sarah will wash all of the dishes when they are returned, which is included in the reasonable rental rates.

Sarah began this business several years ago while working as an event coordinator at a large venue. She witnessed all of the waste generated during events, from floral centerpieces to plastic cake plates and cocktail cups, all of it heaped into the dumpster after its heartbreaking one-time use. Already having a love of old things and a weakness for vintage linens, a new idea was born. Now, unwanted china and mismatched goblets have found a home and get to attend party after party, as conversation pieces while party guests reminisce over 'Grandma's china pattern' and past happy occasions.







Shindig Marvel is sponsoring The Great River Celebration Tour coming up May 16 & 17, 2020. The tour will highlight participating venues along with preferred vendors that serve the area. This event is a sort of expo that showcases venues in their natural beauty and is open to all who are in the process of planning their own weddings, anniversaries, retreats and other celebrations. Take it all in over a weekend trip. For more info visit shindigmarvel.com



Wedding at Liberty Tree Farm, Stockholm. Photographer: Chris McDuffie

A sample of the vintage and eclectic wares available for rent through Shindig Marvel.





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As you stand near the crosswalk at the 4-way intersection of Hwy 35 and Spring Street in Stockholm, look up river and you'll see a little corner pub, painted in lime green and proudly displaying the nostalgic Texaco sign. This quaint landmark is currently known as **Bryoni's Pub & Eatery.** 

Here you'll find a casual menu and cozy, laid back atmosphere. It's the kind of place where a few of the regulars have 'the usual'

for lunch. It's the kind of place where the neighborhood kids pop in for a root beer, because it tastes better out of a glass bottle. It's the kind of place where strangers engage with each other while striking up a conversation with the table next to them. It's the kind of place where the staff will treat you like a friend and upon another visit or two you'll likely be treated as family.

Feel free to grab a game to play at your table while you wait for your food. On a nice day you can sit on the deck under an umbrella and watch the parade of travelers passing by on the highway. If you have a canine companion along you are welcome to dine with them at a picnic table

th e i n backyard. If you happened to ride your horse to town, tie your horse up at the neighbor's hitching post. You can enjoy your food and . drinks at Bryoni's while keeping an eye on your steed.



Speaking of the neighbors, that's their place with the tall, peaked building full of mismatched windows. You can take the footpath off of *Bryoni's* deck, across her backyard, and under 'The Kissing Arch' (go ahead and kiss whoever is walking with you). This multistructure property is known as **Humble Moon Folkstead**. If you've wandered over while waiting for your food, no worries, they'll holler off the deck for you when your burger is up (just like at home). You may find lively chickens eagerly running to greet you, looking for a quick pat on the back or a hand full of corn.

The tall building hosts a rustic style shop and art gallery named **Antique Future**, featuring works made in North America by talented artists and craftsmen, including work by owners Dan & Sarah. They'll share with you the stories of the artists so that you can connect with a deeper appreciation. You may find Dan at his wood fired forge, hand-forging metal while you watch.

Also housed in the tall building is **Shindig Marvel Vintage Event Rentals.** Sarah collects mismatched china, glassware, vintage linens, decor and more that she rents out for waste-free celebrations taking place at the nearby venues.

The little house on the property is known by the community as the 'Pink House'. It is currently under renovation to be home to old fashioned lodging rooms as well as space for art classes, workshops or other small gatherings. The front porch is often open for story time and for guest artists to showcase their work.

The *Folkstead* hosts markets in the front yard, offers hitching posts to horse riders, sells holiday Christmas Trees, and keeps community donated crafts supplies on-hand for kids to make projects free of charge.

These two neighboring properties have found strength in working together. They like to keep things friendly by joining their yards. Some of their collaborations include a May Day Celebration which involves live musicians, a May Pole, fire dancers, and a craft table where you can make May Baskets. One of Bryoni's cooks even

happens to be a talented Henna artist. Families mingle back and forth and can hang out until after dark with a campfire.

Another exciting collaboration is during October to celebrate Halloween. You'll find both yards decked out, with a spooky tour which starts on the porch, goes through the Pink House Freak House. and ends in Bryoni's back yard.

It's a destination to be enjoyed by young and old.



### 2020 Events at Bryoni's & Humble Moon

May - October | Friday Market 4-7pm at Humble Moon Find local produce and other consumables like honey, homemade soaps, peanut butter, maple syrup, baked goods and more. Vendors may vary each week.

### Sat, March 15 | Annual St. Patty's Celebration at Bryoni's Pub

Live Bag Pipes, Parade at 2pm.

Live Music by the Mighty Ridgebacks following the parade.

### Sat, April 11 | 2nd Chance Prom at Bryoni's Pub

Bring your date for dinner (5-8pm) and a chance to be voted Prom Queen or King! Extra points for wearing the same outfit from your old highschool prom. Live Music by The Bear Creek Band 8pm.

### Sat, May 2 | May Day Celebration at

Humble Moon & Bryoni's Pub Celebrate Spring and New Life! May Pole, Live Music, May Baskets, Nature inspired vendors, Henna Tattoos, Campfires, Aerial & Flow Performances and Fire Dancing by Torch Sisters! Fun for All Ages. Noon-9pm

### Sat & Sun, May 16-17 | The Great River Celebration Tour at Humble Moon

Find your venue, vendors and local resources to host your celebration here in the Lake Pepin Area.

#### Back Yard Concerts at Bryoni's Pub

Sun, May 31 | Memorial Day Weekend Celebration
Sat, July 4 | Independence Day Celebration Following the Parade
Sun, Sept 6 | Labor Day Weekend Celebration

#### October - All Month | Pink House Freak House

Humble Moon Folkstead & Bryoni's Pub Spooky House & Backyard Tours, Dark & Mysterious Art Displays, Creepy Gatherings. Catering to all age groups!

Sat, Oct 31 | Halloween Bash at Bryoni's Pub Costume Contest & Live Music 8pm

#### Fri, Sat, Sun Nov 6-8 | Women's Weekend

Happy Hour, Ladies Night, Live Music at Bryoni's Pub Confident Women Art Display at Humble Moon

Sat, Dec 19 | Christmas Party at Bryoni's Pub Live Music , Ugly Sweaters Encouraged



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and quiches, salads and wraps. The food is fresh with local ingredients and filled with love. It's recommended to come in early to get your favorite pie, and if you would like a whole pie, it's best to order ahead as those sell out within hours of opening most days. Is there a slice you want to make sure you get? Give them a call and they will set it aside for you. Make sure you check out their full espresso menu in Stockholm and all the delicious things in the General Stores! Eleven years after opening, the Stockholm Pie Company is still the most delicious place in the upper midwest to go for pie! 🏾 🏶





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Coconut cream pie, craft beers, local wines and an incredible menu all at Stockholm Pie & General Store.

## MAIDEN ROCK WINERY & CIDERY

Presenting a unique collection of premium hard cider & fruit wines, from fresh local fruit, flavored by Wisconsin.



## MAIDEN ROCK Where Legend & Beauty Come Alive on the Shores of Lake Pepin

Maiden Rock is a small village nestled in the foothills and bluffs of the Mississippi River. It is named after an Indian legend of a Dakota maiden who leaped from the bluff top to avoid a forced marriage. The village was founded in the early 1850s and called Harrisburg. The name was changed to Maiden Rock in 1857.

Maiden Rock is a popular destination for travelers of the Mississippi Flyway. The area is a bird-lover's paradise hosting diverse habitat for bald eagles, sand hill cranes, trumpeter swans and tundra swans, white pelicans and countless species of waterfowl. The Flyway is a special place during migratory season with avian travelers passing through.

Maiden Rock is also home to musicians, visual artists and notably artful shops including Cultural Cloth, Swan Vision Gallery, The Green Queen, Limbo Records & Rarities, Secret Heart Gallery and the Smiling Pelican Bakeshop. Other amenities include the superbly renovated schoolhouse of the Maiden Rock Inn, ongoing music presentations at the Six String Saloon, steady refreshment at Ole's Bar & Grill, outdoor dining at Vino in The Valley and yoga classes at Santosha Center.

For an extraordinary experience in nature, Maiden Rock is a stone's throw away from many stunning landscapes, including Rush River Produce's legendary blueberry farm, breathtaking acreage and lodging at Journey Inn and Pepin Farm Pottery, apples and beverages at Maiden Rock Winery & Cidery, the outdoor concert series at Liberty Tree Farm, the Rush River Delta, Pine Creek (a trout fisherman's favorite) and easy to access trails across the prairie restoration at Maiden Rock Bluff.

## WWW.MAIDENROCK.ORG

## JOIN THE FUN IN 2020

Winter eagle watching

April 11 Easter Egg Hunt hosted by Maiden Rock Rockets 4-H Club

April 18 Spring Flood Run

April 30-May 3 100 Mile Garage Sale

May 30 Steakfeed at Maiden Rock Legion Post 158

June 2020 Picnic in the Park (Date TBD)

June 5-7 SPRING Fresh Art Tour

June 6 Tour de Pepin bicycle ride

June 6-7 Winery Tours & Tastings-GRR Wine Trail at Maiden Rock Winery & Cidery

August 13-16 Pierce County Fair

August 15 Steakfeed at Maiden Rock Legion Post 158

September 19 Fall Flood Run

October 2-4 FALL Fresh Art Tour

October 3 Maiden Rock Legion Turkey Shoot

November 14-15 Holiday Harvest Wine & Food Festival– GRR Wine Trail at Maiden Rock Winery & Cidery

December 5 Country Christmas

For more information, visit: www.maidenrock.org or on Facebook.com/maiden rock area community association.





## **BAY CITY**, WISCONSÍN

### **Bay City Days**

W6275 Main St, Bay City, WI www.baycitywi.org Summer festival in Bay City! Street Dance, Flea Market, Parade, Baseball, Food Trucks, Bounce House and more!

### Chef Shack

W6379 Main St, Bay City, WI 715-594-3060

www.chefshackbaycity.com The jewel in the Chef Shack empire crown, this historic bar & restaurant has been around since 1920. Chef Shack companies purchased this fine property in 2012 and took it to the next level in cuisine & service in a rustic natural country setting. A 2017 James Beard Foundation nominee for "Best Chef Midwest Lisa Carlson". Making believers each weekend and exceeding expectations of what a restaurant in the middle of nowhere can deliver

### Mike's Baytown Bar & Grill

W6454 State Rd 35, Bay City, WI 715-594-3888 www.bavcitvwi.org

Broasted chicken, Burgers, Bloody's and MORE! Grill is open from 11:00 Am till 10:00 Pm 7 days a week.

## **MAIDEN ROCK**, WISCONSIN

### **Cultural Cloth**

W3560 State Rd 35, Maiden Rock, WI 715-607-1238 www.culturalcloth.com Shop distinctive home and personal accessories handmade by women artists

from developing countries around the globe. Each unique piece supports women's economic independence.

### Journey Inn, an eco-retreat

W3671 200th Ave, Maiden Rock, WI 715-448-2424

www.journeyinn.net Journey Inn is an eco-retreat set in a quiet, private, natural area. Open year round it provides a supportive, healing environment for you to de-stress, relax and recharge your life

### Maiden Rock Inn

N531 Road S, Maiden Rock 715-448-2608

www.maidenrockinn.com

The Maiden Rock Inn is nestled into a bluff just two blocks from the shore of Lake Pepin in the historic village of Maiden Rock, Wisconsin. We are located in what is known as the Driftless Area in Western Wisconsin, between Red Wing and Stockholm, making it an ideal spot for Wisconsin getaways.

### Ole's Bar & Grill

W3515 State Rd 35, Maiden Rock, WI 715-448-9231 Stop in for a burger and a beer while you explore the Great River Road!

### The Green Queen

W3557 State Rd 35, Maiden Rock, WI 651-245-5191

A destination for native plants, outdoor mats, garden decor such as statuettes as well as other finds that inspire outdoor living and gardening. A selection of body care items such as bath soaps, balms and lotions are also available.

### The Six String Saloon

W3529 State Rd 35, Maiden Rock, WI 715-448-4121

A great place on Lake Pepin to come relax, have a drink, grab some food, and listen to live music! Good times, great laughs, super bartenders.

## STOCKHOLM, WISCONSIN

### Bryoni's Pub & Eatery (formerly Gelly's Too) W12128 State Rd 35, Stockholm, WI

715-808-5358

We are a friendly small town Pub & Eatery. Join us for a hearty burger, Friday Fish, Saturday BBQ Ribs & Shrimp and Sunday Breakfast Buffet or come relax with some cold beer and cocktails on our deck. We will be posting our special events and music monthly.

### **Calvary Covenant** Church

105 E 2nd St, PO Box 13, Stockholm, WI 54769

715-442-2177

www.stockholmcalvary.org

Calvary Covenant Church was established in March, 1887 by the Swedish immigrants who founded the village of Stockholm. The little church on the hill is a reminder of those faithful people who worshipped together, and comforted and sustained one another. We invite you to come as you are.

### Heritage Woods LLC

N1593 Bogus Road, Stockholm, WI 54769 763-568-8687 Kathy.Sweeney@comcast.net Heritage Woods is owned and operated by Jörg and Kathleen in Pepin County in the historic driftless area of Wisconsin. We keep honeybees and sell their delicious honey locally. We landscape with native pollinator friendly plants. We love to share our knowledge and experience with workshops and consultations on the care and nurturing of local pollinators.

### Hope Farm School

W11086 Foster Road, Stockholm, WI 54769 615-354-1241

### Hugga Bugga

W12103 Hwy 35, PO Box 607 Stockholm, WI 54769

612-308-1714

www.huggabugga.com

Hugga Bugga features beautiful handmade items from local craftspeople and a large assortment of quality yarns. Choose a rich, creamy goats' milk lotion in your favorite scent or a hand knit sweater for your sweet someone.

### Humble Moon Folkstead Stockholm Institute & LLC (Shindig Marvel & Antique Future)

W12132 Hwy 35, PO Box 629, Stockholm, WI 54769

715-442-6000 afexperience.com

Explore functional art and furniture by proprietors Dan Prokosch and Sarah Smith-Prokosch, along with artwork, jewelry and needlework by other local artists. The work is inspired by simpler times and the natural world, using both old and new materials. Families are welcome to make art in the Gnome House Studio. Explore our backyard garden and see occasional artist demonstrations.

### Ingebretsen's av Stockholm

12092 Highway 35, Stockholm, WI 54769 715-442-2220

www.ingebretsens.com Ingebretsen's av Stockholm is an offshoot of the well-known Ingebretsen's in Minneapolis We focus on the hemslöjd, the traditional handcrafts, of Sweden. Many of our carefully selected items come from the Jokkmokk Marknad, a market north of the Arctic Circle where Sámi artisans sell their exceptional creations.

### Maiden Rock Apples, Winery & Cidery

W12266 King Lane, PO Box 34, Stockholm, WI 54769

715-448-3502

https://www.maidenrockwinerycidery.com We are an award-winning cider orchard presenting a unique collection of premium hard ciders and wines - produced from fresh local fruit - flavored by Wisconsin.

### Sandy's Clothing and Art

W12098 State Rd 35, Stockholm, WI 54769 715-533-0159

www.sandysclothingandart.com A mission-based boutique with an experience you will want to repeat! Shopping at Sandy's means meeting a friend, having some laughs, finding your style with timeless, versatile pieces all while making a positive impact!

### Savvy

W12117 Hwy 35 Stockholm, WI 54769 715-442-9044

Looking for an edge on your shopping experience? Savvy stays on top of, and ahead of the fashion trends in both the women's fashion and home accent arenas

### Stockholm Art Fair

PO Box 15, Stockholm, WI 54769 715-330-8439

www.stockholmartfair.org

For over 40 years, artists have been lining the lovely Stockholm Village Park overlooking Lake Pepin on the third Saturday each July. On July 18, 2020, the charming little village of Stockholm, Wisconsin will once again host one of the best art fairs around --over 100 juried artists with exceptional works of art, including paintings, jewelry, clay, glass, sculpture, fiber, wood, leather, photography and more.

## Museum

116 Spring St, Stockholm, WI 54769 952-250-9587

### Stockholm Pie & **General Store**

N2030 Spring St, Stockholm, WI 54769 715-442-5505

www.stockholmpieandgeneralstore.com Visit the world famous Stockholm Pie and General Store! Delectable pie, lunch, delightful treats and goodies, cheeses, wines, artisan brews and espresso. "One of the 18 legendary pie shops in the country." USA Today

### The Carriage House Inn

W12360 State Hwy 35, PO Box 33, Stockholm, WI 54769 715-222-2913 www.airbnb.com/rooms/33093427

### The Palate Inc

W12102 Hwy 35, PO Box 640, Stockholm, WI 54769 715-442-6400 www.thepalate.net The Palate Gourmet Kitchen Store offers a shopping experience for your entertaining taste. We invite you to experience our selection of gourmet cookware, dinnerware, kitchen tools and unique home decor products featuring our spill proof tablecloth, Laudable Linens.

### The Purple Turtle Artisan Collective

N2020 Spring Street, PO Box 608, Stockholm, WI 54769 715-442-2050

www.thepurpleturtlearts.com The Purple Turtle features artful inspirations for the home, body and spirit by artisans from across the country but with a focus on local and regional sources. Find your new favorite piece or the perfect gift among the thoughtfully crafted jewelry, wood turned wonders, fabulous fiber work, intricate glass blown pieces, and much more.

### WideSpot Performing Arts Center

N2030 Spring St, Second Floor Stockholm, WI 54769

714-495-2948

Find drama, music, comedy and storytelling - right in the heart of downtown Stockholm! WideSpot is the sweetest spot to see locally and nationally recognized performers on a village stage.

### YMCA Camp Pepin

W10915 East Lake Drive, Stockholm, WI 54769 651 388-4724 www.camppepin.org

Explore the world and find yourself. Camp Pepin offers a wide variety of programs and camps for all ages including facility rentals for your group outing. Camp Pepin can accommodate groups as small as 2 all the way up to 120.

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### Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum

306 Third St, PO Box 269, Pepin, WI 54759 715-495-7624

www.lauraingallspepin.com

The Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum features many items Laura and her family would have recognized and recalls the era in which she lived.Complete with gift shop, the museum is open 10am - 5pm daily (including weekends & holidays) from Mid- May thru Mid-Oct, then closed for the winter.

### Pepin Area Community Club (PACC)

310 Second St, Pepin, WI 54759 612-599-2757

www.pepinwisconsin.com

PACC (Pepin Area Community Club) is a successful alliance of merchants and interested community members in Pepin, Wisconsin, whose combined efforts create a flourishing and vigorous business community.

### Lake Pepin Campground & Motel 305 Elm Street, Pepin, WI

715-442-2012

www.lakepepincampgroundandmotel.com

Located on State Highway 35 in Pepin, WI, Lake Pepin Campground and Motel is a quaint, convenient place to stay while you explore west-central Wisconsin, south-eastern Minnesota and the Mississippi Valley. Located mere blocks from the famed Lake Pepin, the widest naturally occurring lake on the Mississippi River, Lake Pepin Campground and Motel offers campers and lodgers a small-town feel with nearby lake access and attractions.

### The Pepin House

### 7 3rd St, Pepin, WI 54759

715-316-3342

www.thepepinhouse.com

Wooded, privately located beautiful lake home with view of Lake Pepin! Newly renovated home with

large panoramic views on both levels. Walk out deck on main floor and walk out to patio, yard, grill, and fire pit on ground floor.

### The Prairie House

508 Prairie Street, Pepin, WI 414-333-3119

www.sleeppepin.com

Amanda, Matt and Aspen would love to be your hosts on your next Pepin, WI visit. Two cozy rooms to rent out within their home. The house is one of the original farmhouses in the area showing up on tax records as far back as the mid 1800's. This house is one of the houses that would have been standing when Laura Ingalls Wilder was living in the area. Purchased in March of 2018, they've been working on fixing it up and adding their personal touch.

### **Tin Roof Boutique**

202 3rd Street, Pepin, WI 715-225-4047 Your favorite spot on The Great River Road for all your home decor, local artisan work, refurbished furniture, art and

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1420 Third St - Hwy 35 - Pepin, WI 54759 715-442-2424

### www.villabelezza.com

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### Flyway Film Society

408 2nd St, PO Box 3, Pepin, WI 54759 612-998-0915

flywayfilmfestival.org

The Thirteenth Annual Flyway Film Festival brings the best in independent film to the shores of Lake Pepin on October 8-11. Opening night party Thursday, October 8 - Films, festivities, and special guests Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 9-11.

### Fresh Art Tours

N658 968th St Mondovi, WI 54755 715-577-8894

www.freshart.org

It's the perfect time to visit Western Wisconsin! Join us for

the 22nd annual FRESH ART TOUR - explore scenic back roads, wild flowers & woodlands on a self-guided tour of our home studios & galleries. Throughout the picturesque villages and countryside of Pepin and Pierce counties, the artists who call this area home welcome vou. Come hear their stories and take home a bit of their inspiration. Grab a snack, pick up a brochure & tour map at any one of the sites, watch for Fresh Art logo signs along the way, and we'll SEE YOU ON THE TOUR!

### Lake Pepin Legacy Alliance PO Box 392 Red Wing, MN 55066

630-806-9909

www.lakepepninlegacyalliance.org

Join our effort to protect and restore Lake Pepin. Every voice makes a difference. Leading with the tools of education and information, together we can protect the natural heritage of Lake Pepin.

LPLA Facebook photo of Lake Pepin, taken by Carol Peterson

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Laura Ingalls

Wilder

### Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum & Gift Shop

306 Hwy 35 - Pepin, WI

Open 7 Days a Week May through October 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily

Visit us! Learn about the history of this beautiful region and the era in which Laura lived

www.LauraIngallsPepin.com



715.442.2012 lakepepincampgroundandmotel.com



**Campground:** 1010 Locust Street Pepin, WI 54759

**Motel:** 305 Elm Street Pepin, WI 54759

lakepepincampgroundandmotel.com facebook.com/lakepepincampground







## Discover Italy in Pepin, Wisconsin

On the Wisconsin Great River Road in Pepin, Wisconsin, travelers can discover a unique winery experience inspired by Italy!

At Villa Bellezza Winery and Vineyards you'll savor the best of life like the Italians do--lively gatherings with family and friends on the piazza, enjoyed with great wine and country-Italian food, surrounded by vineyards and Italian-inspired architecture.

In the tasting room, guests enjoy Villa Bellezza's award-winning wines made from local grapes. Great wines come from all over the world – including from Pepin, Wisconsin. Villa Bellezza wines consistently catch the attention of international wine critics. In this past year alone, 17 of Villa Bellezza's wines entered in international competitions received Platinum, Double Gold, Gold and Silver medals – high honors on a world wine stage. When you visit, plan to take part in a winery tour and wine tasting experience for a behind the scenes look at operations. You'll learn about (and taste) the tradition and innovation that goes into crafting their wines.

Villa Bellezza's country-Italian restaurant, il Forno, offers a perfect opportunity to pair their award winning wine with delicious Italian food in a casual setting. Il Forno chef, Antonio Cecconi, was born and raised in Italy, where he learned his craft at the best school, his mother's kitchen. You'll feel at home as you enjoy a menu that includes pizzas made from scratch, pasta dishes baked to perfection in the il Forno wood-fired brick oven, or come for one of Chef Antonio's weekend dinners.

At Villa Bellezza guests not only eat like an Italian, they can learn to cook Italian-style, too. During monthly cooking classes, Chef Antonio teaches guests to make pasta, sauces, pizzas and other traditional Italian dishes—and lest we forget, enjoy wine (lots of wine!).

Villa Bellezza also has many private event spaces to explore--spaces for life's celebrations. For weddings both large and small (what's more romantic than whisking away to get married "in Italy"?), birthdays, anniversaries, or just a private dinner for two in a tower.

Villa Bellezza invites you to visit and become part of la famiglia Bellezza! Just a short day-trip from most metro locations, you'll feel as though you've been transported a world away. For more information and details for upcoming cooking classes and other events, visit their website at www.VillaBellezza.com.





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www.PepinWisconsin.com







## IN PEPIN

Pepin has it all – from world class, award-winning, food and spirits to our favorite burgers, beer and fries to wine bars and the best breakfast this side of the Mississippi. It's your choice.

Harbor View Café – world class and world reknown, the Harbor View Café has been delighting guests for 40 years with its inspired, made from scratch food, extensive wine list and a cozy, casual atmosphere overlooking the Pepin Harbor & Marina. The Pickle Factory – On the Waterfront in Pepin beside the Pepin Marina. The Pickle Factory is the only restaurant with a dock on Lake Pepin. You can choose from dining outside on their deck overlooking the Mississippi River or their river level patio. If you prefer to be indoors, try their casual dining room, bar or the Bottom of the Barrel. A mainstay of Pepin for decades, the Pickle offers a full menu and bar. The Garden Pub – outdoor and covered dining, wine and beer bar along the Great River Road in Pepin. The Garden Pub offers burgers, sandwiches, pizza, salads and



daily specials. Their outdoor game area and Tiki Bar beside the main building are unique and fun additions. You can even enjoy an ice cream cone or fudge at their shop next door.

**The Homemade Café** – best, made from scratch breakfast this side of the Mississippi River. Located along the Great River Road, the Homemade offers breakfast, lunch and dinners with unique, flavorful daily specials all day long. Whether you dine inside or out of doors, you will feel right at home at the Homemade Café. **Il Forna** – located at the Villa Bellezza Winery & Vineyards, Il Forno creates authentic Italian fare by Italian born Chef Antonio and his Staff. Dine inside or out on the Piazza, modeled after a Tuscan village. Wines of the Villa Bellezza have won national and international awards. Be sure to book a Winery Tour and enjoy the Tasting Room. Open for lunch and dinner 7 days a week, year-round.

The **Bear's Den** and the **Third Base** offer truly rural Wisconsin atmosphere with great burgers at the Bear's Den and pizza at the Third Base. Third Base also boosts the latest closing time in our area.

Harbor Hill General Store - Wine & Beer Bar - enjoy a glass of wine or beer while you shop at this unique shop.











### Sandy's Clothing and Art - A Mission-Based Boutique

An experience you will want to repeat! Shopping at Sandy's means meeting a friend, having some laughs, finding your style with timeless, versatile pieces all while making a positive impact!

Some of the **impactful** brands we carry are...

**BITCHSTIX** - Ethical and effective lip and body balms that protect your body and promote a more equitable and compassionate world. BITCHSTIX donates to organizations that support survivors of domestic abuse and sexual assault. It's more than just a balm. It's a call to action to transform a "bad" word into a force for good. It's a one-of-a-kind product that seeks to inspire, empower, and change lives for the better.

**Soul Flower** - BOHO and Hippie Clothing and accessories -"eco freakos" Soul Flower...uses only low-impact inks, citrus solvents for clean-up, and prints in small batches for less waste...reuses paper, boxes and envelopes, as well as all packing materials...carry eco-friendly clothing items, many of which contain organic cotton, recycled fibers, and hemp...print wholesale catalogs using soy-based inks on 100% post consumer recycled paper...offset our carbon footprint through many donations to Carbon Fund which support renewable energy and reforestation projects that reduce CO2...ship all UPS shipments carbon neutral to help offset our carbon impact.

**SoulKu** - High quality gemstone jewelry. Soul Ku employs stay-at-home moms who handcraft pieces from their own homes, on their own time frame, and most importantly earn a thriving wage. A mother-owned and operated business, they pride themselves on customer service. They work with local vendors and use eco-friendly packaging. This year Soul Ku is sharing a percentage of proceeds with Open Doors of Asheville, whose mission is to "break the cycle of poverty through education, one child at a time."

**Nana Bells**-Enchanting bells handmade in the Kutch region of India by local artisans. A completely distinctive sound due to the ancient, family technique of smelting recycled metals. The bells hand-hewed wooden clapper is individually tuned, resulting in a mellow, melodic, echoing tone - a gentle reminder to slow down, relax, and enjoy the breeze.

**angelrox** - MAY PEACE PREVAIL - Clothing made from bamboo + cozy sustainable plant based fibers. They engineer their products to minimize waste and save, reuse, recycle and eliminate waste in their office. Their marketing pieces and packaging is made in house using 100% recycled paper. Fabrics are knit nearby the northeast which reduces the distance they must travel and saves fuel. They take mindful actions with regard to earth every day.

Sandy's has a store full of **local and regional artists.** By making a purchase you support the artist, the small business and the community. You will find jewelry, painting, pottery, fiber, paper, metal and copper art at Sandy's...just to name a few.

The clothing at Sandy's is **timeless and tasteful.** Check out the quality companies we carry like JAG, OTBT, FLY London, Neon Buddha, FIG, Angel Rox, Judy P, Prairie Cotton, Hatley, XCVI, Et Lois, C est Moi Clothing, M Rena, Esqualo...and MORE!

Find out why we **love** these artists and companies and learn more about our ongoing search for **PRODUCTS WITH A PURPOSE...** We share it all at **www.sandysclothingandart.com** 

Thank you for making thoughtful purchases and shopping small!

And you KNOW? iandy has hiked in and out of the GRAND CANYON in 24 hours! iandy's favorite movie is "THE WIZARD OF OZ!" iandy can HOOLA HOOP...and is always ready for some fun! iandy has been shipping hand-picked & personalized clothing boxes round the country (*just like Stitch Fix*) for over 25 years!



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## Small Village... Big heART

### By Pat Pheifer

There's a little bit of magic in this small village of Stockholm. It's in the shimmering waters of Lake Pepin, where eagles cavort, and in the sound of wind whistling in the trees on the towering limestone bluffs. It's in the friendly faces on the sidewalks and in the cafes. It's in the welcome of the shopkeepers, who ask, "How's your day going?" and truly want to know. The 66 year-round residents of historic Stockholm embrace the arts, culture, music, great food and fashion, hospitality as well as history, conservation and the environment. They already know about the magic. Visitors can find it everywhere they look. It's only 90 minutes by car from the big cities, but the village embodies a slower, calmer pace of life. While it may be a bit rural, it's anything but oldfashioned. The village is consistently ranked as a world-class shopping destination. Artists and shopkeepers embrace the philosophy of "shop small, shop local." The money spent goes back into this small community. In the spring and summer, you'll find the SPRING Fresh Art Tour, Stockholm Art Fair, and the Independence Day Celebration. In the autumn, enjoy the Stockholm Women's Weekend, FALL Fresh Art Tour and Stockholm Scare. From May through October, find the Friday Farmers Market on site at Humble Moon Folkstead. There's always something fascinating to see, to do, to hear, and to experience. Each

year is capped off by a magical three weekend-long celebration of God Jul "A Swedish Christmas" in Stockholm, capturing tradition in an authentic take on the holidays, not to mention a gift-shopping destination like no other. Need to get your blood flowing? Grab a free blue bike and pedal, either solo or in tandem. Dare to tackle the hills. You can even rent a kayak or canoe! In the mood for a break? You will find world famous pie, artisan breads, great cocktails, and lots of local foods in the charming eating establishments. Music and theater lovers flock to the performing arts center in the village, outdoors concert venues and local event centers that are ripe with intriguing events to explore. All of this makes for an extraordinary vacation spot, with lodging options ranging from a modern farmhouse, vintage B&B's and hotel, a comfy lodge to a rustic cabin on the water. There's more than shopping here. There's history at the museum in the old Stockholm post office. There are conservation efforts to learn about from extraordinary nonprofits. There's community to be part of at the churches and organizations. Touch base with one of the local Realtors who are ready to share the experience with you, and even a venerable 140+year old trust company that can help insure the dream. Take the time to stroll and explore. Above all, relax, stay the night ... or more. Maybe even live the dream and become a part of the Village... you never know... magic does happen here. 🏶





### March 2020

### Lena Elizabeth

Sat, Mar 7 @ 7pm WideSpot Performing Art Center Singer/songwriter influenced by a mix of folk music and blues roots.

### Annual St. Patty's Celebration

Sat, March 14 Bryoni's Pub & Eatery (formerly Gelly's) Live Bag Pipes, Parade at 2pm, Live Music by the Mighty Ridgebacks following the parade

#### Easter Dinner Italian-Style **Cooking Class with Chef** Antonio

Thurs, March 19 @ 6pm (social hour @ 5pm) Villa Bellezza Winery & Vinyards

During this cooking class, Chef Antonio Cecconi will guide you through the traditions of this special Italian holiday, and the recipes of a traditional Easter meal with famiglia!

#### **Flavor Fundamentals Cooking Class** Saturday, March 20, 2020 @ 3:00-4:30pm

The Palate

Take your cooking to the next level by learning classic techniques that you can use to make any meal. Sit back and enjoy an afternoon of instruction and fun! Cost \$39

### "Don't Drink the Water by Woody Allen"

Fri. Sat & Sun Mar 20-22 WideSpot Performing Arts Center WideSpot Players presents a comedy set in the 1960's "somewhere" behind the Iron Curtain.

### **April 2020**

### **Brunch with Bunny**

Sat, April 4 @ 10am YMCA Camp Pepin Join the YMCA Camp Pepin for Brunch with the Easter Bunny! We will have delicious food along with fun activities and crafts.

### **Tommy Bentz**

Sat, April 4 @ 7pm WideSpot Performing Arts Center Eclectic musician whose music has been described as "the Allman Brothers meets Van Morrison."

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Sat, April 11 Hosted by Maiden Rock Rockets 4-H Club

### **2nd Chance Prom**

Sat, April 11 Bryoni's Pub & Eatery (formerly Gelly's) Bring your date for dinner (5-8pm) and a chance to be voted Prom Oueen or King! Extra points for wearing the same outfit from your old high school prom. Live Music by The Bear Creek Band 8pm

### Peter Arnstein

Sat, April 18 @ 7pm WideSpot Performing Arts Center The very talented pianist Peter Arnstein brings his great skill and virtuosity to the house with a show that is sure to stand out from the crowd.

### **100 Mile Garage Sales**

Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sun April 30 -May 3rd

Locations along the Great River Road; Visit Facebook @100milegaragesale2020 for more info!

### May 2020

### **Vicky Emerson**

Sat, May 2 @ 7pm WideSpot Performing Arts Center Vicky, who grew up in Elmwood, Wisconsin, is an artist whose career has taken her from New York City to San Francisco and back to her roots in Minneapolis.

### May Day Celebration Sat, May 2, Noon-9pm

Humble Moon Folkstead & Bryoni's Pub (hosting together as neighbors) Celebrate Spring and New Life! May Pole, Live Music, May Baskets, Nature inspired vendors, Henna Tattoos, Campfires, Aerial & Flow Performances and Fire Dancing by Torch Sisters!

# **TRAVELER 2020 EVENTS**

#### **Kevin Kling & Simone** Perrin

Sat, May 16 @ 7pm WideSpot Performing Arts Center Kevin Kling is a masterful storyteller. The stories are often hilarious and often also sweetly tender.

### The Great River **Celebration Tour**

Sat & Sun, May 16-17 Humble Moon Folkstead & Other **Participating Locations** Find your venue, vendors and local resources to plan your celebration here in the Lake Pepin Area.

### Legacy Concert (Lake **Pepin Legacy Alliance**)

Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 5pm Liberty Tree Farm

An outdoor benefit concert featuring the Pistol Whippin' Party Penguins. Community Crust food truck will be on site. Doors open at 5 pm, music starts at 6 pm

### **Memorial Day Weekend**

Celebration Sun, May 31 Bryoni's Pub & Eatery (formerly Gelly's) Back Yard Concert - Live Music TBA

### June 2020

### **Spring Fresh Art Tour**

Fri, Sat & Sun June 5-7 **Throughout Pierce and Pepin Counties** Join the 22nd annual FRESH ART TOUR - explore scenic back roads as spring awakens on this self-guided tour of our home studios & galleries.

#### **June Winery Production Tour & Tasting Event** Sat & Sun, June 6-7

Great River Road Wine Trail Enjoy a weekend of romance and adventure! Each winery on the Great River Road Wine Trail will allow your group an opportunity to tour their production facility and sample some of their finest wines. Visit www.greatriverroadwinetrail.org for more info.

### Tour de Pepin

Sat, June 6 A bicycle & paddleboat tour of Lake Pepin Visit www.lakecity.org for info and maps!

### Goin' Coastal! 7.2 Live-**Audience Radio Variety** Show Sun, June 7 @ 7pm Your favorite radio variety show returns

to laugh out our tenth season.

### **July 2020**

### **Annual Independence Day** Parade

Sat, July 4 @ 1pm Downtown Stockholm

### Independence Day Celebration

Sat, July 4 Brvoni's Pub & Eaterv (formerly Gelly's) Back Yard Concert after the Parade -Live Music TBA

### 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Stockholm Art Fair

Sat, July 18 @ 10am Stockholm Village Park Over 100 fine artists and craftspeople as well as live music and great food.

### **Bay City Days**

Fri & Sat July 24 & 25 Throughout the village of Bay City Street dance, parade, flea market, baseball and more!

### **August 2020**

### **Mud Picnic (Bald Eagle** Event)

Saturday, Aug 29 @ 4pm 30031 Lakeview Ave., Red Wing, MN The LPLA Mud Picnic is a new tradition that highlights the severity of Lake Pepin's sedimentation problem. **RSVP** deadline Aug 21. MORE INFO at www.lakepepinlegacyalliance.org

### September 2020

Labor Day Weekend Celebration Sun, Sept 6 Brvoni's Pub & Eaterv (formerly Gelly's)

### Laura Ingalls Wilder Days

Back Yard Concert - Live Music TBA

Sat & Sun, Sept 12-13 Village of Pepin, Wisconsin A family event featuring arts & educational entertainment based on the early American pioneer experience of storybook author Laura Ingalls Wilder.

### October 2020

### **Pink House Freak House**

The whole month of October Humble Moon Folkstead & Bryoni's Pub (hosting together as neighbors) Spooky House & Backyard Tours, Dark & Mysterious Art Displays, Creepy Gatherings Catering to all age groups!

### **Fall Fresh Art Tour** Fri. Sat & Sun Oct 2-4

**Throughout Pierce and Pepin Counties** Relax and take the slow route! Enjoy autumn's own artwork as you travel the Great River Road and the back roads of western Wisconsin.

### **Flyway Film Festival**

Thurs – Sun, Oct 8-11 Flyway Film Festival brings the best in independent film to venues along the shores of Lake Pepin area in Wisconsin and Minnesota. www.flywayfilmfestival.org

### Halloween Bash

Sat, Oct 31 Bryoni's Pub & Eatery (formerly Gelly's) Costume Contest & Live Music 8pm

### November 2020

### Women's Weekend

Fri, Sat, Sun Nov 6-8 Bryoni's Pub & Eatery (formerly Gelly's) Happy Hour, Ladies Night, Live Music TBA

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Fri, Sat, Sun Nov 6-8 Humble Moon Folkstead Confident Women Art Display

### Women's Weekend -**STOCKHOLM STYLE**

November 6th - 8th, 2020 Throughout the village of Stockholm Take a moment to slow down and recharge in our magical village this November. Treat yourself, connect with friends, shop locally handcrafted and meet the artists. Samplings, tastings and more!

### Holiday Harvest Wine & Food Festival

Sat & Sun, Nov 14-15 Great River Road Wine Trail Hop on the Great River Road Wine Trail and fit all, one or several of the 12 fantastic wineries that make up the trail on a fun and relaxing weekend adventure. www.greatriverroadwinetrail.org

### December 2020

**Country Christmas** Sat. Dec 5

Village of Maiden Rock

### God Jul - A Swedish Christmas

Sat, Dec 5

Village of Stockholm

A Swedish Christmas - A celebration filled with tradition! Visit with our very own Jultomte & Mini Tomte. Photo Ops, Gifts & Holiday Treats!

### God Jul – A Handmade Holiday Sat, Dec 12

Village of Stockholm

A Handmade Holiday - Join the merchants as they feature "handmade" crafts, goodies and gifts! Also, get a chance to unleash your creativity by making gifts to give or keep!

### God Jul - Fire of Stockholm

Sat, Dec 19 Village of Stockholm A Winter Solstice Celebration! See the village lit in wonder with fire dancers, luminaries, ice candles, torches and bon fires!

### **Christmas Party**

Sat, Dec 19 Bryoni's Pub & Eatery (formerly Gelly's) Live Music TBA, Ugly Sweaters Encouraged 🜺

### Visit the village any season to experience the magic!









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