

## Calendar of Events

- November 18, 2019      **WCCF to host grant writing workshop**  
**Fireman's Inn**  
**660 County Rd**  
**Ridgeway, IA 52165**  
6-7:30p.m.  
Dotti Thompson, 319-243-1358  
dthompson@cfneia.org  
*The Winneshiek County Community Foundation will host a public grant writing workshop.*
- November 18, 2019      **At the Hearth: Enslaved Cooks as Skilled Laborers of the Urban Sphere.**  
**Decorah Public Library - Public Meeting Room**  
**202 Winnebago Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
7:30P.M.  
dpl@decorah.lib.ia.us  
*The Decorah Area Chapter of the American Association of University Women will be sponsoring a lecture by Dr. Kelly Sharp, assistant professor of Africana Studies and history at Luther College.*
- November 18, 2019      **Drift Less. Give More.**  
- November 27, 2019      **Decorah Area Chamber of Commerce**  
**507 W Water Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
DACC Office 9am - 5pm  
Kristina, 563-382-3990  
kristina@decorahareachamber.com  
*Northeast Iowa shoppers could save big this holiday season when they "drift less and give more," in Decorah. The Decorah Area Chamber of Commerce and participating merchants want you to know that beginning on November 18th, when you drop off a suggested Northeast Iowa Food Bank donation of \$5 or five items at the Decorah Area Chamber of Commerce building, (507 W. Water St., Decorah), you'll receive a voucher for 5% off at participating merchants. All who give can donate up to \$20 or twenty items, thereby making it possible to collect up to 20% off in vouchers that can be used either individually or in combined increments, based on the specifications of each merchant.*  
  
*Holiday shoppers can determine which stores are participating in "Drift Less. Give More." by the signs in their windows outlining their participation and what discount(s) they are offering in exchange for 5% off vouchers, which will be good through December 31, 2019.*
- November 19, 2019      **Vesterheim's Barnetimen (Children's Hour) To Set Sail on a New Season**  
**Vesterheim Museum**  
**523 W. Water Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
10:00A.M.-11:00A.M.  
— *Preschoolers and their caregivers are invited to Vesterheim, the national Norwegian-American museum and heritage center, for the start of a new season of Barnetimen (Children's Hour) on Tuesday, September 17, from 10-11 a.m.*

November 19, 2019

**NEIPJC Monthly Board Meeting**  
**NE IowaPeace & Justice Center**  
**119 Winnebago Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM  
neipjc@gmail.com

November 19, 2019

**Dragonfly Books Presents: Allen Eskens @ The Lingonberry**  
**The Lingonberry Event Venue**  
**218 W. Water St.**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
7:00pm  
Kate Rattenborg, 5633824275  
kate@dragonflybooks.com

*Dragonfly Books welcomes returning Minnesota author Allen Eskens for an author event featuring his new novel, Nothing More Dangerous (Mulholland Books, 2019) on Tuesday, November 19th, 7:00 PM at The Lingonberry Event Venue, 218 W. Water St., Decorah.*

*"This powerful, unforgettable crime novel is a coming-of-age book to rival some of the best, such as William Kent Krueger's Ordinary Grace or Larry Watson's Montana 1948. While Eskens's books are not part of a series, his readers will recognize Boady as an adult character in two of his earlier books, including the award-winning The Life We Bury. This timely stand-alone is a must-read for followers of the best in crime fiction." — Library Journal starred review*

*In a small Southern town where loyalty to family and to "your people" carries the weight of a sacred oath, defying those unspoken rules can be a deadly proposition. After fifteen years of growing up in the Ozark hills with his widowed mother, high-school freshman Boady Sanden is beyond ready to move on. He dreams of glass towers and cityscapes, driven by his desire to be anywhere other than Jessup, Missouri. Then Thomas Elgin moves in across the road, and Boady's life begins to twist and turn. Coming to know the Elgins—a black family settling into a community where notions of "us" and "them" carry the weight of history—forces Boady to rethink his understanding of the world he's taken for granted. As secrets hidden in plain sight begin to unfold, Boady begins to see the stark lines of race and class that both bind and divide this small town - and he will be forced to choose sides. Allen Eskens is the USA Today-bestselling author of The Life We Bury, The Guise of Another and The Heavens May Fall. His debut novel, The Life We Bury, has been a local book club favorite, has been published in 16 languages and is being developed for a feature film. He now lives with his wife, Joely, in out-state Minnesota where he has been a practicing criminal defense attorney for 25 years.*

November 19, 2019

**Winneshiek Medical Center holds Collective Goods & Bake Sale**  
**Winneshiek Medical Center - Lower Level**  
**901 Montgomery Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
7A.M.-3P.M.  
Winneshiek Medical Center Volunteer Services, 563-387-3036  
*The Winneshiek Medical Center Auxiliary will hold their annual Collective Goods and Bake Sale .*

November 19, 2019

**Dementia Conversations for families**

**Decorah Public Library**

**202 Winnebago St**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

6:30P.M.

Kristin Torresdal, 563-382-3717

ktorresdal@decorah.lib.ia.us

*On Tuesday, November 19 at 6:30 pm, the Decorah Public Library will host "Dementia Conversations," a free educational program open to the public.*

November 19, 2019

**November Energy Breakfast**

**Oneota Community Food Co-op**

**312 West Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

7:30A.M.

*In the Spring of 2019, the Oneota Community Co-op completed a major remodel of its current store location. A large investment of this project was replacing an old refrigeration system with a newer refrigerated rack system. New, efficient refrigerated cases and LED lighting completed the overhaul of the Co-op's infrastructure and are on track for a 5-6 year payback!*

November 19, 2019

**Luther College Woman's Club November meeting**

**Luther College Dahl Centennial Union, Peace Dining Room**

**700 College Drive**

**Decorah, Io 52101**

1:30 pm

Sara Friedl-Putnam, 563-387-0156

friedlsa@gmail.com

*Tanzania will be the focus of the next meeting of the Luther College Woman's Club, to be held Tuesday,*

*November 19, at 1:30 p.m. in Peace Dining Room, Dahl Centennial Union, on the Luther campus.*

*With help from the audience in choosing their "own" adventure, Luther College students Nick Lembezeder and*

*Kari Preus, along with faculty member Lori Stanley and staff member Emily Neal, will present "Tanzania: People, Parks, and Pastoralism," sharing insights, adventures, and stories from their month-long study away experience in Tanzania in January 2019.*

*All women from Decorah and surrounding communities are invited to attend. Shuttle service from the Decorah Swimming Pool is available and leaves at 1:10 p.m. In addition to the presentation, Jennifer K. Ward, newly inaugurated Luther president, will stop by to meet attendees. A short business meeting, refreshments, and special music are also on the afternoon's agenda.*

November 19, 2019

**Golden Gate Bridge suicide survivor shares his story of hope, healing and recovery**

**Luther College  
700 College Drive  
Decorah, IA 52101**

7 p.m.

*Kevin Hines will present "Suicide: The Ripple Effect" in the Main Gym of Regents Center at Luther College. It is open to the public with no charge for admission. Hines is an award-winning global speaker, best-selling author, documentary filmmaker and suicide prevention and mental health advocate who has reached millions with his story of an unlikely survival and his will to live.*

November 19, 2019

**Reflections on a trip around the world**

**Amdal-Odland Heritage Center  
523 W. Water St.  
Decorah , IA 52101**

7:00P.M.

*The November meeting of the Valdres Lodge Sons of Norway will feature a program entitled, "It's All About Perspective," presented by Ruth Paulson of Stoughton, Wis.*

*The program is based on Paulson's travels around the world for 115 days in 2018.*

November 20, 2019

**Weight Loss Informational Session-Free (Walk-in)**

**Donlon Pharmacy  
201 West Water Street  
Decorah, IA 52101**

5:00-5:30 pm

Kevin Rockwell, R.N., 563-382-2626

weightloss@donlonpharmacy.com

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November 20, 2019

**Decorah Public Library announces November book discussions**

**Decorah Public Library  
202 Winnebago Street  
Decorah, IA 52101**

5:15 P.M.

Kristin Torresdal , 563-382-3717

ktorresdal@decorah.lib.ia.us

*Decorah Public Library staff are hosting four book discussions in November. The groups are open to the public and newcomers are encouraged to attend. Anyone interested should call the library at 382-3717 to learn more or to reserve a book.*

November 20, 2019

**Transgender Day of Awareness**

**Luther College**

**405 College Dr**

**Decorah , IA 52101**

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Memorial Demonstration, Williams Lounge 7:00 PM - Candelight

neipjc@gmail.com

*Join Luther College Pride in recognizing the annual Transgender Day of Remembrance.*

*This is an annual observance on November 20 that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence.*

November 20, 2019

**PIVO Bingo Night**

**PIVO Brewery**

**101 Huber Dr**

**Calmar, IA 52132**

6-8 PM

PIVO Brewery, (563) 562-1053

*BINGO in the taproom. No fee to play, it's just for fun and you might win a free beverage! We have all the supplies you need, and all ages are welcome.*

November 20, 2019

**Word Salad to feature host, guest artist Nancy Barry**

**Courtyard and Cellar**

**421 W Water St**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

6:45P.M.-8:30P.M.

*The next edition of Word Salad, Decorah's own monthly literary open mic is featuring guest host Nancy Barry.*

November 21, 2019

**Pilates and Play**

**Decorah Public Library**

**202 Winnebago Street**

**Decorah, IA 52011**

10:30A.M.-11:00A.M.

Joan Roach, 563-382-3717

*Decorah Public Library is partnering with area resident Shauna Menke to offer a variety of fun introductory Pilates classes throughout the fall.*

November 21, 2019

**NAMI Mental Health Classes**  
**St Paul Luthern Church**  
**116 E Military Rd**  
**Postville, IA**  
6:00 pm- 8:30 pm  
Susan Friedrich, 563-422-7882  
*NAMI FAMILY-TO-FAMILY EDUCATION PROGRAM*

*What is NAMI Family-to-Family? Family-to-Family is a free, 12-week course for family members of an older teen or adult living with mental illness. Family-to-Family not only provides critical information and strategies for taking care of the person you love, but you'll also find out that you're not alone. Recovery is a journey, and there is hope*

November 21, 2019

**Calling All Kids... Christmas Tree Lighrting**  
**Hotel Winneshiek**  
**104 E Water St**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
6:00P.M.

*Christmas Tree Lighting at the Hotel Winneshiek. Start the holidays off with Santa and Mrs. Claus and the Hotel Winneshiek.*

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November 21, 2019

**"Generosity on Tap" hosted by Your Local Thrivent Community**  
**Pulpit Rock Brewery**  
**207 College Dr.**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
5:00P.M.-7:00P.M.  
Thrivent Community, 563-382-1809  
*Please join us at this " Generosity on Tap" event , hosted by Your Local Thrivent Community.*

November 21, 2019  
- November 24, 2019

**New Minowa Players production of "Grand Tally"**

**New Minowa Players Community Theatre**

**906 South Mill Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

7:30 PM, Sunday Matinee 2:00P.M.

[newminowaplayers@gmail.com](mailto:newminowaplayers@gmail.com)

*This is the premiere of Decorah playwright Robert Wolf's new show based on his book by the same name.*

November 22, 2019

**Democracy Preservation Coalition**

**NE IowaPeace & Justice Center**

**119 Winnebago Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

3:30p.m.-5:00p.m.

[neipjc@gmail.com](mailto:neipjc@gmail.com)

*Democracy Preservation Coalition, formerly Democracy Discussion Group, began as a book discussion and continues to meet weekly, focusing on current political movements and events and trying to understand the larger picture*

November 22, 2019

**CHOICE Butik Grand Opening**

**CHOICE Butik**

**1014 South Mill St. Suite 9**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

1:00pm to 4:00pm

Ethan Dahlquist, 563-419-0663

[Ethan@choiceemploymentservices.com](mailto:Ethan@choiceemploymentservices.com)

*Join us at the CHOICE Butik for our Grand Opening! Everything in the store will be 25% off. We look forward to seeing you!*

November 22, 2019

**Luther College Center Stage Series presents: Nobuntu**

**Luther College - Center for Faith and Life Main Hall**

**700 College Drive**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

7:30P.M.

[tickets@luther.edu](mailto:tickets@luther.edu)

*The Center Stages Series brings Nobuntu to the Main Hall of the Center for Faith and Life on the Luther College campus. Nobuntu is a remarkable and lively a capella quintet from Zimbabwe. This all female group relies on their rich voices, authentic dance and minimal use of traditional Zimbabwean instruments such as the Mbira (thumb piano). Nobuntu has drawn international acclaim for their inventive performances that celebrate Afro jazz, gospel and traditional Zimbabwean songs.*

November 23, 2019

**Community Yoga Class**

**The Yoga Studio**

**306 W Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

9:30A.M.-11:30A.M.

Marybeth Gallant, 563-419-2329

*Yoga class with Marybeth Gallant.*

November 23, 2019

**Indoor Farmers Market**  
**Winneshiek County Fairgrounds**  
**Danan Lansing Building**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
8:30-11:30 a.m.  
Farmers Market,  
decorahmarket@gmail.com

*Thank you for shopping local and eating fresh. And, thanks to our faithful vendors for making Market days beautiful and delicious. They hope to see you at the Indoor Markets!*

November 23, 2019

**Lojo in Decorah**  
**The Courtyard & Cellar**  
**421 W Water Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
7:30-11 PM  
The Courtyard & Cellar, 563-382-4630  
courtyardandcellar@gmail.com

November 24, 2019

**Scandinavian Music Jam**  
**Vesterheim Museum**  
**502 W Water Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
1:00 - 3:00 PM  
Martha Griesheimer,  
mgriesheimer@vesterheim.org  
*Stop by from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in Vesterheim's Bruening Visitor Center, 502 W. Water Street, to learn a tune, share a tune, jam with us, or just come to listen.*

*Bring any instrument you play and join in. This informal music collaboration is great fun for all levels and happens the fourth Sunday of each month.*

*Drop in whenever it works in your schedule. No charge. Recording device advised.*

November 24, 2019

**FLT Meatball and Ham Dinner**  
**Odd Fellow Lodge**  
**326 Washington St**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
10:30A.M.-12:30P.M.  
*Menu includes: Real mashed potatoes and gravy, Vegetable, Cole Slaw, Beverage, Bread and Dessert.*

*Open to the Public.*

November 24, 2019

**Northern Lights to perform in concert.**  
**St. Benedict's Catholic Church**  
**307 West Main Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
2:30P.M.  
*The Northern Lights will appear in concert at St Benedict's Catholic Parish.*



November 24, 2019

**Chemist/Artist Dr. Carson Bruns Gives Vesterheim Presentation on the Future of Tattoos  
Luther College - Valdres Hall of Science**

**700 College Dr  
Decorah , IA 52101**

7:00P.M.

*Vesterheim, the National Norwegian-American museum and heritage center, will host chemist/artist Dr. Carson Bruns to present "Tattoos for Health: The Future of Smart Tattoos" on November 24 at 7:00 p.m. in Valdres, Room 206 at Luther College. There will be a reception in the Valdres Building following the presentation.*

November 26, 2019

**Dog Tales at Library**

**Decorah Public Library**

**202 Winnebago Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

6:30P.M.-7:15P.M.

Kristen Torresdal or Joan Roach, 563-382-3717

dpl@decorah.lib.ia.us

*Decorah Public Library staff are continuing to partner with a dedicated group of local volunteers to bring certified therapy dogs to the library for its Dog Tales program*

November 27, 2019

**Weight Loss Informational Session-Free (Walk-in)**

**Donlon Pharmacy**

**201 West Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

5:00-5:30 pm

Kevin Rockwell, R.N., 563-382-2626

weightloss@donlonpharmacy.com

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November 27, 2019

**Holiday Lights Walk-Through Night**

**Pulpit Rock Campground**

**505 Pulpit Rock Rd**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

5:00P.M.-7:30P.M.

info@helpingservices.org

*Helping Services for Youth & Families welcomes you to help kickoff the 15th Annual Holiday Lights event.*

November 27, 2019

**Immigration Working Group**

**NE IowaPeace & Justice Center**

**119 Winnebago Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

neipjc@gmail.com

*Learn about current immigration issues and how to help meet the needs of immigrants in the area. Immigration Working Group meets every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month.*

November 28, 2019  
- December 25, 2019

**Helping Services Holiday Lights**

**Pulpit Rock Campground**

**505 Pulpit Rock Rd**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

5P.M. - 9P.M.

info@helpingservices.org

*One of Iowa's best holiday drive - thru displays in support of Helping Services.*

November 28, 2019

**Decorah Area Community Dinner**

**St. Benedict's Church Fellowship Hall**

**307 West Main Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

11:00A.M.

*The First United Methodist Church and St. Benedicts Catholic Church will host this year's Decorah Area Community Thanksgiving Dinner .*

November 30, 2019

**Community Yoga Class**

**The Yoga Studio**

**306 W Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

9:30A.M.-11:30A.M.

Marybeth Gallant, 563-419-2329

*Yoga class with Marybeth Gallant.*

November 30, 2019

**Rendered Unique Pop Up Shop**

**Rendered Unique**

**309 E Water St**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

Friday 10-6, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 11-4

Jamie, (563) 379-0021

rendereduniquedecor@gmail.com

*A thoughtfully-curated, occasional shop located in Decorah, Iowa open one weekend each month. Offering handcrafted and vintage home decor, accessories, and gifts.*

November 30, 2019

**Small Business Saturday Holiday Pop-Up Shop**

**Impact Coffee**

**101 West Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

9:00A.M.-2:00P.M.

*Join us for our 3rd Annual Small Business Saturday Pop-Up Shop.*

November 30, 2019

**Murder Mystery Dinner Theater**

**Empty Nest Winery**

**1352 Apple Road**

**Waukon, IA 51272**

6 p.m.

Empty Nest Winery, 563-568-2758

emptynestwinery@gmail.com

*TOGA TOGA TOGA!! Join us for an evening of relaxing laughs, food, and fun in our beautiful winery! "Who Killed Julius Caesar at his Toga Party" production will keep you and your table of friends laughing all night long.*

*Who killed Julius Caesar at his own Toga Party.....was is Cleopatra, Brutus, his Latin Lover??*

*The professional actors from Upstage Productions will be here again putting on this comedy murder mystery between a 3 course dinner with the help of a few guests that evening to complete the show.*

*We sell out fast for all these performances at Empty Nest Winery, so buy your tickets now! \$46/person for the whole evening's entertainment and 3 course dinner, menu is: House Caesar Salad (of course), Plain or Stuffed Pork Loin with Bourbon Apple Glaze, Chicken Condon Bleu, Twice Baked Potato Casserole, Buttered Baby Carrots, Green Beans, Fresh baked Dinner Rolls & Butter and Choice of Dessert. Bar is open serving Wine, Sangria, Can Beer, 10 taps of Craft Beers & Hard Ciders. We accommodate group seating so let us know if you have a group or are joining a table.*

*Guests must be 13 years or older to attend the Dinner Theater. Tickets can be transferred to another person but dates cannot be changed or money refunded.*

November 30, 2019

**Hometown Art Fair**

**Lingonberry**

**218 W Water St**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

10:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.

*Several of your favorite local artists will be displaying their creations at Lingonberry from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*

*Stop by and find some one-of-a-kind Christmas gifts, support your local artists, and shop local!*

November 30, 2019

**Holiday Lights Fireworks**

**Pulpit Rock Campground**

**505 Pulpit Rock Rd**

**Decorah, Io 52101**

6:30 pm

Ben Krouse-Gagne, 5633871720

benkg@helpingservices.org

*Join Helping Services for Youth & Families for the 2019 Holiday Lights Live Fireworks display brought to you by Mick Layden from 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm at the Pulpit Rock Campground.*

*Drive through the Holiday Light Displays or park your car nearby at the Decorah Soccer Fields to enjoy the wonderful fireworks display!*

*If you have question about the evening please give us a call at 563-387-1720. We look forward to seeing you at Holiday Lights!*

December 4, 2019  
- December 8, 2019

**Market 52 Holiday Market**

**Lingonberry**

**218 W Water St**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

Wednesday-Saturday 10am-7pm, Sunday 11am-4pm

Trisha, 319-939-3039

trisha10768@yahoo.com

December 4, 2019

**Weight Loss Informational Session-Free (Walk-in)**

**Donlon Pharmacy**

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December 5, 2019

**FREE Admission to Vesterheim Museum**

**Vesterheim Museum**

**523 W Water Street**

**Decorah , IA 52101**

All Day

Vesterheim Museum, 563-382-9681

*Enjoy free admission all day during regular museum hours.*

December 5, 2019

**Christmas at Luther 2019: Whom Angels Greet With Anthems Sweet**

**Luther College - Center for Faith and Life Main Hall**

**700 College Drive**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

Bradley Phillips, 563-387-1357

boxoffice@luther.edu

*Performance schedule for Christmas at Luther 2019: Whom Angels Greet With Anthems Sweet*

*Thursday, December 5 - 5:45 p.m.*

*Friday, December 6 - 6:30 p.m.*

*Friday, December 6 - 9:15 p.m.*

*Saturday, December 7 - 7:30 p.m.*

*Sunday, December 8 - 2:30 p.m*

December 5, 2019

**Decorah Lighted Holiday Parade**

**Water Street**

6 p.m.

Kristina, 563-382-3990

kristina@decorahareachamber.com

December 5, 2019

**DIY-Wreath Making Workshop**

**Decorah Public Library**

**202 Winnebago Street**

**Decorah, IA**

6:00P.M.-7:30P.M.

Kristen Torresdal, 563-382-3717

ktorresdal@decorah.lib.ia.us

*Decorah Public Library, River Root Farm, and Pulpit Rock Brewing Company are teaming up to present an evening of adventurous crafting from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday Dec. 5th at the library. This free wreath-making workshop is open to the first 12 people to register online at <https://www.decorah.lib.ia.us/event-directory/dried-flower-wreath-making-workshop-dec-5th>.*

December 5, 2019

- December 8, 2019

**Decorah's Holiday Open House**

All Day!

Kristina, 563-382-3990

kristina@decorahareachamber.com

*This tried-and-true local event will take place December 5th through the 8th. Enjoy a variety of in-store specials, holiday festivities, and more. Explore new retailers and long time favorites to find unique, one-of-a-kind gifts. Relish the feeling and memory of a hometown holiday. Bask in the warm glow of shop windows, gleaming holiday decorations, and familiar faces.*

December 6, 2019

- December 8, 2019

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December 6, 2019  
- December 8, 2019

**Ossian Desales Magic of Christmas**

**Silver Springs Golf & Country Club**

**1392 CR-W42**

**Ossian, IA 52161**

6-8 p.m.

*The Magic of Christmas begins with the Opening Gala and Hors d'oeuvres Buffet at Silver Springs Golf & Country Club in Ossian.*

December 7, 2019

**Chosen Bean Concert Artists**

**Chatfield Center for the Arts**

**405 Main St S**

**Chatfield, MN 55923**

7:30 PM

Chatfield Center for the Arts, 507-884-7676

*Named after the Chosen Bean Coffeehouse once located on Main Street in Chatfield, the Chosen Bean Concerts Series has garnered a reputation for presenting the best in live original acoustic music performed by regional and national musicians who stretch the gamut from legendary icons to emerging talents. Originally launched in 2011, the Series is now heading into its 17th run and continues to be presented in Southeast Minnesota's premier listening room, the American Legion Room at Chatfield Center for the Arts.*

December 7, 2019

**Feast! Local Foods Marketplace**

**Rochester Mayo Civic Center**

**Address: 30 Civic Center Dr SE**

**Rochester, MN 55904**

10a.m. - 4p.m.

Elena Byrne, 608.712.8340

elena@rtcinfo.org

*Our 6th annual festival for all ages showcases local foods from IA, WI & MN at their finest! Enjoy samples and sales galore—cheese, chocolate, wine, beer, cider & much more—stock up for winter (or for the holidays)! Make a day of it with kids' activities, cooking demos, music and prizes. Sat, Dec 7, 2019, 10am-4pm. Shop 100 artisans under 1 roof!*

December 7, 2019

**Christmas at Luther 2019: Whom Angels Greet With Anthems Sweet**

**Luther College - Center for Faith and Life Main Hall**

**700 College Drive**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

Bradley Phillips, 563-387-1357

boxoffice@luther.edu

*Performance schedule for Christmas at Luther 2019: Whom Angels Greet With Anthems Sweet*

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*Friday, December 6 - 6:30 p.m.*

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**Winneshiek County Fairgrounds**

**Danan Lansing Building**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

8:30-11:30 a.m.

Farmers Market,

decorahmarket@gmail.com

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December 7, 2019

**Norwegian Christmas Celebration**

**Vesterheim Norwegian American Museum**

**502 West Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

info@vesterheim.org

*— Ring in the season with Vesterheim, the national Norwegian-American museum and heritage center, at a Norwegian Christmas Celebration on Saturday, December 7, from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. This lively day of events features fun holiday traditions, concerts by local groups, take-home crafts, folk-art demonstrations and sales, live goats, and a pop-up café serving Norwegian holiday specialties.*

December 7, 2019  
- December 8, 2019

**The Magic of Christmas**

**Silver Springs Golf & Country Club**

**1392 CR-W42**

**Ossian, IA 52161**

10:00a.m.-4:30pm. Saturday and 8:30a.m.-3:00p.m. Sunday

*The Magic of Christmas continues with dozens of decorated trees, table settings and holiday collections on display.*

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**Lanesboro Christmas Inn Tour**

2:00p.m.-6:00p.m.

*Experience the magic of a small town Christmas. Showcasing seven charmingly decorated Bed & Breakfast/Inns in the Lanesboro, Minnesota area.*

December 11, 2019

**Weight Loss Informational Session-Free (Walk-in)**

**Donlon Pharmacy**

**201 West Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

5:00-5:30 pm

Kevin Rockwell, R.N., 563-382-2626

weightloss@donlonpharmacy.com

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December 11, 2019

**Farmers, Landowners and Ag Professionals Offered Guidance on Farm Bill Decisions**

**Winneshiek County Fairgrounds Danan Lansing Building**

**900 E Main St**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

1:00P.M.

MELISSA O'ROURKE , 563-382-2949

*ISU Extension and Outreach meeting in Northeast Iowa will address enrollment and election decisions for 2018 Farm Bill programs*



December 11, 2019

**St. Benedict School Choral Concert**

**St. Benedict's Catholic Church**

**307 W Main St.**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

7:00 p.m. Rehearsal is 1:30 pm

Mrs. Kimberly Svanoë, 605-940-9759 (cell)

ksvanoë@st-ben.pvt.k12.ia.us ksvanoë@gmail.com

*Students from St. Benedict School will present a vocal concert. All grades will be represented. The work is entitled, "Light of the World."*

December 11, 2019

**Decorah Public Library announces December book discussions**

**Decorah Public Library**

**202 Winnebago Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

5:15P.M.

Kristin Torresdal , 563-382-3717

ktorresdal@decorah.lib.ia.us

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December 13, 2019

**Midwest Dairy & Beef Day**

**Iowa's Dairy Center**

**1527 Highway 150 S**

**Calmar, IA 52132**

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

NICC , (800) 728-2256, ext.

*Register today for "Midwest Dairy & Beef Day: Enhancing Value from Breeding to Feeding" providing in-depth information for dairy and beef producers on enhancing value of dairy steers from breeding to feeding.*

*This event is a collaborative effort between Iowa State University (ISU) Extension and Outreach, the Northeast Iowa Dairy Foundation and Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC). This year's event will discuss opportunities and challenges to adding value to dairy calves and dairy beef cross calves. Producers will also share their experiences from feeding to breeding during a panel discussion. Beef producers, dairy producers, industry persons and students are encouraged to attend.*

December 14, 2019

**Community Yoga Class**

**The Yoga Studio**

**306 W Water Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

9:30A.M.-11:30A.M.

Marybeth Gallant, 563-419-2329

*Yoga class with Marybeth Gallant.*

December 14, 2019  
- December 15, 2019

**Rendered Unique Pop Up Shop**

**Rendered Unique**

**309 E Water St**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

Friday 10-6, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 11-4

Jamie, (563) 379-0021

rendereduniquedecor@gmail.com

*A thoughtfully-curated, occasional shop located in Decorah, Iowa open one weekend each month. Offering handcrafted and vintage home decor, accessories, and gifts.*

December 14, 2019

**Dairy Goat Management program**

**Keystone AEA**

**1400 N. 2nd St**

**Elkader, IA 52043**

10:00A.M.-3:00P.M.

Jennifer Bentley, 563-245-1451

jbentley@iastate.edu

*The Iowa State University (ISU) Extension and Outreach Dairy Team will host "Fine-Tuning Your Dairy Goat Management" as a part of their annual Dairy Directions program.*

December 17, 2019

**Vesterheim's Barnetimen (Children's Hour) To Set Sail on a New Season**

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**Decorah, IA 52101**

10:00A.M.-11:00A.M.

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December 17, 2019

**Dog Tales at Library**

**Decorah Public Library**

**202 Winnebago Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

6:30P.M.-7:15P.M.

Kristen Torresdal or Joan Roach, 563-382-3717

dpl@decorah.lib.ia.us

*Decorah Public Library staff are continuing to partner with a dedicated group of local volunteers to bring certified therapy dogs to the library for its Dog Tales program*

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December 19, 2019

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December 20, 2019

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**Decorah Public Library**  
**202 Winnebago Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**

2:00 p.m.

Carmen Buss , 563-382-3717

ktorresdal@decorah.lib.ia.us

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December 21, 2019

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December 22, 2019

**Scandinavian Music Jam**  
**Vesterheim Museum**  
**502 W Water Street**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
1:00 - 3:00 PM  
Martha Griesheimer,  
mgriesheimer@vesterheim.org  
*Stop by from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in Vesterheim's Bruening Visitor Center, 502 W. Water Street, to learn a tune, share a tune, jam with us, or just come to listen.*

*Bring any instrument you play and join in. This informal music collaboration is great fun for all levels and happens the fourth Sunday of each month.*

*Drop in whenever it works in your schedule. No charge. Recording device advised.*

January 10, 2020  
- January 11, 2020

**Oneota Valley Community Orchestra presents Amahl and the Night Visitors**  
**Decorah High School Auditorium**  
**100 Claiborne Drive**  
**Decorah, IA 52101**  
7:00P.M.  
oneotavalleycommunityorchestra@gmail.com  
*A family friendly opera originally written for NBC to broadcast live in the 1950's.*

January 18, 2020

**Truths Be Told  
Courtyard & Cellar  
421 W Water St  
Decorah, IA 52101**

7:30P.M.-10:00P.M.

info@arthausdecorah.org

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February 2, 2020

**Valentine's Market and 8th Grade DC Trip Fundraiser**

**Danan Lansing Building Winneshiek County Fairgrounds**

**Montgomery Street**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

9:00 A - 2:00 PM

Brecka Putnam , 63095780003

brecka.putnam@gmail.com

*Visit our Second Annual Valentine's Market to find the perfect Valentine's gift or special items for yourself while helping support Decorah's 8th graders as they work hard to fund their summer trip to Washington, DC. There will be plenty of local crafters and vendors, and some booths set up for 8th graders who have put together a truly fantastic collection of gift items.*

February 13, 2020  
- February 16, 2020

**Oneota Film Festival 2020**

**Headquarters: Valders Hall of Science on the Luther Campus  
700 College Drive  
Decorah, IA 52101**

various

Nancy Sojka, 563-419-1828

director@oneotafilmfestival.org

*The Oneota Film Festival builds and sustains a community of film lovers through screenings and discussion. The Festival is an opportunity to inform, inspire and engage viewers and filmmakers in compelling issues of our time.*

*The Oneota Film Festival is produced by a dedicated group of volunteers that includes local film enthusiasts, who formed a non-profit corporation for the sole purpose of producing the Festival since 2009. This is an incredible Northeast Iowa Destination Experience, bringing in quality films of all genres that explore the joys of life on earth, as well as the critical issues and challenges we all face.*

*Film screenings will be on the Luther Campus and in various downtown locations. Film Books, listing the films to be screened and the schedule, will be available in several locations around the area about two weeks before the Festival.*

*Films are created by independent filmmakers and not readily available through commercial networks. We invite independent filmmakers to the Festival, either live or by Skype, to discuss their works with the audiences.*

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**Luther College - Center for Faith and Life**

**700 College Dr**

**Decorah, IA 52101**

7:00P.M.

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June 1, 2020

**Fossil Hunting in Fillmore County**

**Whispering Winds**

**505 W Park St**

**Spring Valley, Mi 55975**

1-5pm

Jennie Dieterman, 507-467-2437

skillsschool@eagle-bluff.org

*Collect fossils older than dinosaurs! At Whispering Winds, Spring Valley, you will tour fossil collections of ancient sea creatures including Gastropods, Cephalopods, Trilobites, Fisherites, Bryozoans and Brachiopods. Then you'll travel to 2-3 sites to hunt, all within 7 miles of Spring Valley, and collect your own fossils- guaranteed! Bring a bag for carrying your fossils. If you bring a hammer, you must have eye protection. There is always the chance that you could find ice-aged fossils, Native American artifacts, cold water agates, and geodes. All ages welcome!*

*Note: Eagle Bluff van transportation is NOT available for this class. You will be driving yourself to Whispering Winds hobby farm.*

*\*\*Schedule a private fossil hunt, tailored to you. For 1 to 10 individuals. Perfect for individuals trying to grow their collection, birthday parties, completion of Boy and Girl Scout Badges, or just a fun day out!*

*Optional fee: \$5 for a laminated fossil site map, several different site maps are available.*

*Cash payable to instructor at class*

*Instructor -Beverly Sandlin is an amateur paleontologist and host of Bluffcountryfossils.net & accompanying Fossil Adventure Blog. She has lectured throughout southeast Minnesota on fossils and has hosted numerous tours and fossil hunts. Whispering Winds and one collection site are handicap accessible.*