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APRIL IS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH

by Della Schmidt

It is with gratitude that we extend our heartfelt appreciation to the dedicated volunteers who form the backbone of the Greater Burlington Partnership. This month provides a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the invaluable contributions of those who selflessly serve on boards, committees, and generously lend their time and expertise to make our events a resounding success.

Our organization thrives because of the commitment and passion of individuals who willingly step forward to contribute their skills, knowledge, and time. Whether they are guiding strategic decisions, planning events, or working behind the scenes, these volunteers are the driving force that propels the Greater Burlington Partnership forward.

Serving on boards and committees requires a special kind of dedication, and our volunteers exemplify this commitment with their unwavering support. They bring diverse perspectives, industry insights, and a wealth of experience to the table, enriching our discussions and contributing to the growth of the Partnership.

Events are the lifeblood of the Partnership, and we are immensely fortunate to have volunteers who enthusiastically lend a helping hand. From planning and logistics to execution, their dedication ensures that events are not only successful but also memorable experiences for our members and community guests.

National Volunteer Month is not just a celebration; it is a moment to express our deepest gratitude for the countless hours our volunteers invest in advancing the mission of the Greater Burlington Partnership. Their efforts go beyond the call of duty, and their impact reverberates throughout our business community.

To our volunteers, we say thank you. Your commitment fuels the engine of the Greater Burlington Partnership, driving positive change and fostering a vibrant business community. We recognize the sacrifices you make and the passion you bring to every task, big or small. Your dedication does not go unnoticed, and we are profoundly grateful for the positive impact you make every day.

Happy National Volunteer Appreciation Month!

THANK YOU



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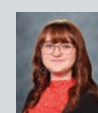
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ON THE COVER

Greater Burlington Young Professionals

The Greater Burlington Young Professionals program has officially launched for 2024 and is seeking new members.

Designed for individuals between the ages of 21 and 40, this program offers a gateway to personal and professional growth. Whether you are eager to expand your network, rub shoulders with community influencers, or sharpen your skill set, GBYP is your ticket to success.

The GBYP event calendar is packed with 15 exciting events and unique opportunities, from Lunch & Learns, social outings, and exclusive Burlington Behind the Scenes activities.

Employers, don't forget that the Young Professional Program is a great way to get employees involved and connected within the community while adding a fun employee benefit to offer.

Interested in joining or registering employees?

Contact mholford@greaterburlington.com or scan the QR code.



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ANNUAL CHAMBER GOLF CLASSIC

August 15, 2024 | Burlington Golf Club, 10 AM

Contact Steven Brody or Marty Mogk for information on available sponsorships or for volunteering at the event.

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Sponsorship Opportunities

Don't miss out on your chance to bring your team of 4 to the annual Golf Classic at Burlington Country Club, August 15! A very limited number of Birdie sponsorships (including signage at the event and a team of 4), teams of 4, and hole sponsorships remain. Contact Marty Mogk for details.

EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP APRIL 20, 8 AM - 12 PM



Join the movement for a greener, cleaner world! Be a part of something extraordinary at the Annual Earth Day Clean-up on Saturday, April 20 – a day dedicated to transforming our corner of the planet.

This is more than a cleanup, it's a community-powered initiative where hands of all ages unite in a symphony of care. Imagine the impact when

individuals like you, families, businesses, and organizations join forces to create a powerful force for positive change in your community.

Please follow Keep Burlington Beautiful Facebook page for more details.

THE NEW INTERN CONNECTION PROGRAM

The Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to share the launch of the new Intern Connection Program. This program is designed to make things easy and fun for college interns in Greater Burlington by helping them connect, build teams, volunteer, and access valuable resources.

The goal is simple: to provide interns with events and information that make it easy for them to create a social circle, feel a sense of community, and explore the many awesome businesses and attractions in the area.

Here's what the program includes:

1. Monthly Newsletters: Stay in the loop with monthly newsletters. Choose from a printed copy or an email, to see all the latest updates and happenings.
2. Intern Connection Luncheon - June 11: Don't miss the first annual Intern Connection Luncheon on June 11. It's a fantastic opportunity to network and enjoy good company. Register an intern now to secure a spot.

Join us in making the internship experiences in Greater Burlington even more memorable. The Burlington/West Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce is here to help facilitate connections, build a community, and explore all the great things the area has to offer.

This program is hosted by the Greater Burlington Partnership and is free to the interns of Burlington/West Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce businesses.

Contact tfedele@greaterburlington.com for more information.



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REGISTER TODAY!



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2024

Small Business Breakfast

May 14 | 7 AM



Titan Broadcasting & Digital Group winner of the 2023 Small Business of the Year Award

May is Small Business Month, and the Greater Burlington Partnership is celebrating by recognizing the incredible businesses of Greater Burlington at the 2024 Small Business Breakfast.

This event features a breakfast buffet, keynote speaker, and the announcement of the winners of the 2024 Micro Business of the Year and 2024 Small Business of the Year awards.

Tickets are free for Chamber of Commerce members and their employees, but registration is required.

Register at greaterburlington.com/register.



Coffee with the Chamber is going on the road!

Chamber members are invited to the next Coffee with the Chamber on April 24, from 8 - 9 AM at Dunn Brothers Coffee, located at 1105 Lawrence Drive in Burlington. Chamber Executive Director Steven Brody, Membership & Guest Services Director Marty Mogk, and other Partnership staff would like to meet with members to share the latest Chamber news and answer questions regarding Chamber membership benefits.

Please come to Coffee with the Chamber, support a local business, and explore how to maximize your Chamber investment. RSVP to Marty Mogk, mmogk@greaterburlington.com.



GREATER BURLINGTON CHAMBER of COMMERCE
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BUSINESS after HOURS

The Busted Cup Brewhouse

724 Jefferson St, Burlington | April 11, 5 - 7 PM

Join Chamber of Commerce member businesses to build your network at Business After Hours and grow your business!





SUMMER BOAT DOCKING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Viking boat dockings will bring an influx of visitors to Greater Burlington beginning in July. As passengers head Downtown, they will be greeted by friendly faces ready and able to answer questions about Greater Burlington, its history, unique attractions, and must-visit restaurants and shops. The Greater Burlington Convention and Visitors Bureau is seeking local volunteers and paid tour guides who like meeting

interesting folks from far off places and are willing to spend some time in beautiful Downtown Burlington. There are 10 dockings scheduled for this season, subject to change, which means many opportunities to be a part of such an amazing and fun-filled experience.

Contact Kaylea Felland at (319) 752-8731 or kfelland@greaterburlington.com.



PORT OF BURLINGTON WELCOME CENTER

 **GREATER BURLINGTON
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Looking for that perfect souvenir or need information on how to spend a day in Burlington? Head on down to the Port of Burlington Welcome Center! Come in and stock up on brochures and maps for that next road trip. There are even weekly specials on highlighted merchandise.

Enjoy the beautiful views of the Mississippi River and Great River Bridge while visiting. Open at 10 AM daily.

45TH ANNIVERSARY OF RAGBRAI'S FIRST STOP IN GREATER BURLINGTON

It's back! RAGBRAI, the iconic and world-renowned bicycle race across Iowa, is returning to Greater Burlington in 2024. After what is expected to be the hilliest tour route in the history of the race, thousands of two-wheeled visitors will pedal into Burlington for their final stop before heading home.

2024 marks the seventh time RAGBRAI has landed in Greater Burlington, where it has been the race's final stop for all but one of those tours. With the first coming in 1979, 2024 marks the 45th anniversary of their inaugural stop in Greater Burlington. Routes ending on the Burlington Riverfront would follow in 1984, 1990, 2000, and 2009. Most recently, Greater Burlington was an overnight destination in 2019 for weary riders on their way to Keokuk.

The Greater Burlington Partnership is coordinating the planning and execution of the 2024 RAGBRAI stop in Greater Burlington. Hundreds of volunteers will be needed to help welcome the thousands of guests – many from across the country and some from around the world – and make the finish line for RAGBRAI racers and support teams a showcase for the area.

To find out how to volunteer, please visit BurlingtonRAGBRAI.com, follow Burlington RAGBRAI on Facebook, or call Steven Brody or Chris Gram at 319-752-6365.



THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER – A GREAT PLACE FOR BUSINESS!

The Greater Burlington Partnership will soon be starting the 2024 Entrepreneur Competition. This year's competition (and 2025) will concentrate on new business ideas that have a focus on our greatest treasure, the Mississippi River. When traveling to towns on the waterfront, guests will almost always find entertainment and experiences that feature the water. Both guests and citizens want to be close to and enjoy the water. Jet-Ski rentals, boat rides, fishing excursions, dinner cruises, dining, and nightlife on or near the water are the kinds of ideas the committee hope have been brewing in the minds of local entrepreneurs. The goal is to incentivize a great idea and motivate that startup to get a plan on paper and take steps to make it happen. The team is here to help with all of the above, from finance options, to possible partnerships with the City to turn our waterfront spaces into gathering places.

This year's prize has increased to \$15,000. Applications will be accepted starting in June, but for now please reach out to Jeremy Hess, Director of Economic Development at the Greater Burlington Partnership for more information at jhess@greaterburlington.com.

People naturally want to be near the water, let's give them reasons to come.





It doesn't get anymore local than...

JEFFERSON STREET FARMERS MARKET MAY 2

**Jefferson Street Farmers Market May - September
Thursdays 4:30 - 7 PM.**

This season will be filled with fun, live entertainment, food, and activities. The market is a great reason to celebrate the community, meet friends, old and new, and enjoy the beautiful architecture.

Downtown Burlington promotes shopping locally. It doesn't get anymore local than shopping for homegrown products from artisans, bakers, and farmers. Local businesses support other local businesses to keep the local economy moving. By shopping for locally grown produce and locally made products, you are playing your role in helping Burlington's economy thrive.



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DODGE, DUCK, DIVE FOR A CAUSE! DODGING POVERTY DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

April 13 | Location: The Courts at FunCity

Why Play? It is not just a game; it is a chance to make a difference! Every team supports Burlington Building Bridges, a local organization dedicated to helping community members facing various challenges. Joining the Dodging Poverty Dodgeball Tournament means being part of a collective effort to bridge gaps and uplift those in need. The joy of dodgeball meets the joy of giving back.

TEAM SPOTLIGHT: Brandy Martinez is the team captain of Jerry's Dodgers, one of the first teams to dive headfirst into the Dodging Poverty Dodgeball Tournament. When asked about why she decided to join the Dodging Poverty tournament, Brandy shared, "I am new to Burlington. My boss (Dawn Moeller) knew I was looking for a way to get involved and help the community. She spoke to me about the event, and I shared it with co-workers and customers. We decided it would be a great thing to do for our community."

Looking ahead to the tournament, Brandy commented on their expectations. She expressed that their goal is to raise awareness and help where they can, and, of course, to WIN! The competitive spirit coupled with a strong sense of community is evident in the Jerry's Dodgers team.

In the spirit of camaraderie, Brandy was asked if she had a message for any of the other teams joining. She warmly advised, "Just enjoy the day while helping others." This sentiment captures the essence of Dodging Poverty – a day of competition intertwined with a shared commitment to making a positive impact.

Jerry's Dodgers are not just showing up for the dodgeball tournament; they're diving in with a commitment to community involvement. Brandy and her team see this event as more than just a game. It is an opportunity to make a difference.

The Dodging Poverty tournament is right around the corner, but there is still time to be a part of something impactful. Join Dodging Poverty, bring your team spirit, and make this event a memorable one for everyone involved.

To sign a team up or more information, go to GreaterBurlington.com/DodgingPoverty.

Stay tuned for more team spotlights on Greater Burlington Leadership's social medias as we count down to the Dodging Poverty Dodgeball Tournament.



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**Mark your calendars for July 19
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A Very Vintage Night Out is a kick-off party to the highly anticipated A Very Vintage Market. This event is an opportunity to enjoy drink specials, get a sneak peek of the market, and discover favorite vendors before the main event. With live music and a vibrant atmosphere, don't miss out on this unforgettable night!

Vendor applications for A Very Vintage Market are now available online.

Follow the **A Very Vintage Market Facebook page**.



BLADE SIGNAGE GRANT

Downtown Partners, Inc. Business Signage Grant Program offers applicants up to \$300 in matching grant funds for perpendicular “blade” signage for their businesses!

Blade signs have several benefits:

- Accentuating the traditional historic and walkable character of Downtown Burlington.
- Emphasizing the Downtown District as a collection of small, independent, locally owned businesses.
- Adding to the liveliness of the streetscape.
- Freeing up sidewalk space occupied by sandwich board signs.
- Encouraging businesses to explore their individuality and examine their branding.
- Increasing business visibility for potential customers who would otherwise not know anything about the business unless they were directly in front of it.

For more information contact Downtown Partners Main Street Executive Director Amy Moyner at the Greater Burlington Partnership office.



It's Happening

Becoming a Chamber Ambassador

Becoming a Chamber Ambassador is fun and easy! All you need is time to attend ribbon cuttings, Business After Hours and other Chamber functions, and a monthly Thursday morning meeting at 8 AM. The Ambassador team is a fun and competitive group! Earn points for your activity and compete to have the most points for the year. There is no minimum attendance requirement, though we do hope you will be an active member of the team.

Contact Marty Mogk for more information at mmogk@greaterburlington.com

SOUTHEAST IOWA DAYS WASHINGTON D.C.

April 30 and May 1

Each year, representatives from Des Moines, Henry, Lee, and Louisa Counties travel to our Nation's Capitol to bring our business voice to Washington D.C. Once again, the Southeast Iowa delegation will meet and discuss important federal issues with Senator Chuck Grassley, Senator Joni Ernst, and Congresswoman Marianne Miller-Meeks. In addition, there will be opportunities to break off for more specialized meetings. Regional priorities that will be focused upon this year are Infrastructure, Utilities/Natural Gas, and Workforce/Immigration.

Those interested in joining the Southeast Iowa delegation or seeking more information, please contact Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steven Brody.



ALL THINGS GREATER BURLINGTON PODCAST



March 30 marked the two-year anniversary of All Things Greater Burlington. Over the course of 50 episodes, Burlington/West Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steven Brody, has engaged in informational and educational conversations with business owners, public officials, community leaders, and Chamber of Commerce award winners. The discussions offer insight and information for listeners to have a greater appreciation for the work that the guest is involved in. The podcast further illustrates the diversity of talent in Greater Burlington.

The podcast and its episodes can be heard on Greater Burlington.com, Amazon Music, Google Podcasts, Spotify, Apple Podcasts, iHeart Radio, Castbox, and Stitcher.

Make sure to subscribe to stay informed when new episodes become available. Don't forget to get caught up on recent interviews with entrepreneurs **Chase Gibb** of The Buffalo Tavern and **Suann Wells** of The Beancounter Coffeehouse & Drinkery. Upcoming interviews include Young Professional of the Year **Paige Tennison**, **Deb Fowler** of Century 21 Property Professionals, and **Michelle Mann Caston** of Mann's McDonald's L.C.

Have a suggestion on who you would like us to interview?
Please contact Steven at sbrody@greaterburlington.com.

- Business After Hours was the highest program/event marked for participation in the past year. The Annual Dinner, Small Business Breakfast, Committee Involvement, and Friday Forums round out the top 5.
- Friday Facts and Partnership Newsletter are the most utilized benefit/service.
- 41% of respondents have been Chamber members for more than 20 years.
- 94% think that the Chamber of Commerce being the voice of business is very important or important.
- 93% rate the Chamber of Commerce providing networking opportunities as very important or important.
- 91% believe that the Chamber of Commerce engaging in advocacy with state and local officials is very important or important.

- 91% feel that the Chamber of Commerce helping to make doing business easier in the community is very important or important .
- 88% believe that the Chamber of Commerce hosting major events to bring community and business together is very important or important.
- 83% say the Chamber of Commerce educating business on relevant issues is very important or important.
- 83% of respondents rate the Chamber as meeting or exceeding their expectations.

The Chamber of Commerce appreciates everyone that took the time to complete the survey and offer comments. The survey results will be used by the Board of Directors and staff to guide future Chamber programs and services.



SYNERGIZING EDUCATION: A BUSINESS-EDUCATION COLLABORATION



Discover an innovative way to bridge the gap between businesses and students in Greater Burlington! You now can be at the forefront of engaging in project-based learning with local students and classrooms.

The Greater Burlington Partnership is proud to announce the launch of a local project board through the AEA Online Learning Clearinghouse for Work-Based Learning, connecting area partners with schools across the Greater Burlington Area. Take advantage of this platform's user-friendly Business Partner Sign-up & Dashboard to effortlessly post opportunities or collaborate to add unique projects.

From authentic classroom projects to immersive experiences like job shadows and career tours, the opportunities are

diverse and cater to various levels of engagement. Be a part of shaping the future talent pipeline by connecting with area youth through these meaningful experiences.

This initiative would not be possible without partners who say yes. Thank you to Jesse Caston with CDM Real Estate Services for being the first business to post a project.

For any inquiries or assistance, contact Laura Williams at lwilliams@aealearningonline.org or Telisha Fedele at tfedele@greaterburlington.com.

Join in building a future where businesses and students thrive together!

CURIOUS TO LEARN MORE?



**Sign up at Clearinghouse and
explore Greater Burlington
Partnership's Local Board today!**



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome these new Chamber of Commerce members by sending an email, liking their Facebook page or visiting their website. Even better, stop by to introduce yourself, exchange business cards and help grow their network as well as your own!

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For information on membership, contact Marty Mogk.

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Do you have something special to announce? A work anniversary, a retirement, a special award or recognition, a conference attended, a sales record, a name change, a new location? We would love to share this with our membership. Please contact Brenda Levitt.

Heritage Trust Annual Meeting and 2023 Highlights

On February 26, Burlington Heritage Trust held their Annual Meeting. The meeting included the following 2023 Highlights.

Awarded \$24,278 in Historic Preservation Grants (63% increase from 2022) to 6 projects bringing our total grants awarded since 2001 to \$580,110.

9 Salvage Operations were conducted, with up to 10 of the pool of 22 volunteers supplying materials recovered ranging from landscape pavers and wall capstones to large quantities of maple, pine, oak and douglas fir flooring and dimensional lumber, plywood, doors, heaters, light fixtures, wooden football lockers, cabinets, clawfoot tubs, sinks, and much more for resale at Preservation Station. The Old Gymnasium at Iowa Wesleyan University was our largest project to date, spending 3 or 4 months on it.

Preservation Station sales continued at the accelerated rate of 2022 with the largest monthly sales of almost \$9000.

Conducted our annual home tour with an increased revenue of 152% over 2022.

Presented a Thank You plaque to Ray Delmage & Martha Clyde for their dedicated service at Preservation Station promoting our treasures on Facebook and serving as Membership Committee Chair and President.

Marty Mogk Retires from the Partnership

In honor of Marty Mogk, Member and Guest Services Manager, the Greater Burlington Partnership family bids a heartfelt farewell as he embarks on a well-deserved retirement at the end of April. Marty leaves an indelible mark, not just as a dedicated professional but as a cherished colleague and friend. His unwavering commitment and exceptional contributions have enriched our workplace, shaping a legacy of excellence. As we bid adieu, we express our deepest gratitude for Marty's two-years of service and wish him joy and fulfillment in this new chapter; Marty and his wife Sarah will be opening Mississippi Moon Ice Cream Parlor and Black Water Mini Golf this summer.

Marty, from your friends at the Greater Burlington Partnership, may retirement bring abundant happiness and new adventures.

Julie Schroeder, Keystone Home, Featured in Schrock Cabinetry Design Guide

Julie Schroeder, Senior Kitchen Designer at Keystone Home, was recently featured in the newest edition of the Schrock Cabinetry Design Guide as the Designer Spotlight. Schrock is a subsidiary of the MasterBrand family, an industry leader that owns several high-quality cabinetry brands and is distributed to Schrock Cabinetry dealers nationwide.

Heather Lange, owner of Keystone Home, stated, "Julie deserves this recognition. She works hard to ensure her customers have the best outcome for their needs. Being recognized nationally among our industry is a great accomplishment. We are proud to have Julie on our team." To read Schroeder's Designer Spotlight, visit Schrock.com/literature/schrock/schrockeastdesignguide/index.html.

The Views of Burlington New Community Relations Director

Autumn Shacklett joined the team at the The Views of Burlington as the new Community Relations Director. Autumn is looking forward to her new role and is excited to be a part of the Greater Burlington community. Autumn loves spending time with her kids and going to their sporting events and school activities. When time allows, her favorite hobbies are scrapbooking, running, reading, and vacationing.

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EVENTS

March 28 - April 25 – April Gallery Show:

Amanda Weygand Zehr
Art Center of Burlington, hours vary
BTownArt.com

1, 8, 15 & 29 – Mindfully Me
Burlington Public Library, 7 PM
Burlington.lib.ia.us

3 – Blippi: The Wonderful World Tour
Memorial Auditorium, 6 PM
BurlingtonRiverfront.org

4 – I Heart County Parks Banquet
Barn on the Ridge, 5:30 PM
DMCConservation.com

4 – Free Film: Maestro
Capitol Performing Arts Center, 7 PM
LiveAtTheCapitol.com

5 - 7 – Craft & Vendor Show
Westland Mall, 10 AM
ShopWestlandMall.com

5 and 6 – 410 Sprint Car Clash
34 Raceway, 5 PM
34Raceway.com

5 – Artist Reception:
Amanda Weygand Zehr
Art Center of Burlington, 5 - 8 PM
BTownArt.com

5 and 19 – Friday Night Art Hop
Art Center of Burlington, 6 - 7:30 PM
BTownArt.com

5 – Red Hot Chili Pipers
Memorial Auditorium, 7:30 PM
BurlCivicMusic.org

6 – David Kroll with Bethany Shane
Night Cap Listening Lounge, 7:30 PM
LiveAtTheCapitol.com

11 – Lunch at the Top
First United Church of Christ, 11 AM - 1 PM
FirstUCCburl.org

11 – World Travelogue Series:
The Balkans
Capitol Performing Arts center
1:30 & 7:30 PM
LiveAtTheCapitol.com

11 – Business After Hours
The Busted Cup Brewhouse, 5 - 7 PM
GreaterBurlington.com

11 – Hike A Park: Leopold Recreation Area
Mill Dam Road, 5 pm
DMCConservation.com

11 – Comedy Thursday
Memorial Auditorium, 7:30 PM
burlingtonriverfront.org

13 – Spring Fling Pickleball Tournament
Burlington Area YMCA, 8:30 AM
BurlingtonY.org

13 – Dodging Poverty Dodgeball
Tournament, FunCity Courts, 9 AM
GreaterBurlington.com/leadership

13 – Sprint Invaders
34 Raceway, 5 PM
34Raceway.com

14 – Downtown Spring Open House
Downtown Burlington, 10 AM - 4 PM
Facebook.com/downtownburlingtoniowa

17 – Lunchtime Chamber Music Series
First United Methodist Church, 12:15 PM
Facebook.com/BurlingtonLunchtimeChamberMusicSeries

19 – Slocum 50 Prelude
34 Raceway, 5 PM
34Raceway.com

19 – Cory Waller & the Wicked Things/
Monica Austin
Catfish Bend Convention & Event Center,
7:30 PM
FunCityResort.com

20 – Earth Day Community Cleanup
Port of Burlington, 8 AM
DMCConservation.com

20 – Brew Fest
Memorial Auditorium, 1 - 4 PM
BurlingtonRiverfront.org

20 – Slocum 50
34 Raceway, 5 PM
34Raceway.com

20 – Vegas McGraw
Legacy Theater, Carthage, IL, 7 PM
TheLegacyTheater.com

20 – Commotion: A Tribute to CCR
Capitol Performing Arts Center, 7:30 PM
LiveAtTheCapitol.com

24 – Coffee With the Chamber
Dunn Brothers Coffee 8 AM
GreaterBurlington.com

24 – Shepherd's Table Free
Community Meal
First Congregational Church, 4:30 PM
FCCBurlington.org

27 – Barstool Open
Downtown Burlington, 9 AM - 5 PM
Facebook.com/downtownburlingtoniowa

27 – Season Kick-Start
34 Raceway, 5 PM
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WAGS N' KISSES DOGGIE EASTER EGG HUNT

April 6, 10:30 AM | COMMUNITY FIELD

Bring your pup out for our annual Doggie Easter Egg Hunt! The small/medium sized dog group will hunt at 11 AM, and the medium/large sized dog group will hunt at 11:30 AM. Registration starts 30 minutes before each run. There is a \$10 fee per pup.

Eggs are filled with treats and goodies, some will have a winner tag in them where you can get a prize at the end of the hunt.

This is a fun way to let your dog(s) interact with other dogs and support the dogs at the Des Moines County Humane Society.

If rain occurs, we will reschedule to a later date. It will be posted on this event page at Facebook.com/DesMoinesCountyHumaneSociety.

MAYORS' VOLUNTEER AWARDS

April 13, 12 PM

The award luncheon for the 2024 Mayors' Volunteer Awards will be held at 1204 Washington St, Burlington. Doors will open at 12 PM, and the program is set to commence at 12:30 PM. Attendees will be treated to a light lunch as they celebrate the outstanding contributions of our community's remarkable volunteers.

The Mayors' Volunteer Awards are organized annually by the Community Volunteer Alliance, a coalition of area volunteer coordinators, and the Burlington/West Burlington United Way. Their shared mission is to cultivate a strong community volunteer base and recognize those who exemplify the spirit of giving back.

For more information, visit the United Way of Southeast Iowa at Facebook.com/UnitedWaySEIA.

WEIRD HAROLD'S RECORD STORE DAY

April 20, 9:30 AM - 5 PM

Record Store Day is a day for the people who make up the world of the record shop - the staff, the customers, the artists, the labels - to come together and honor the special role they play in their local communities. Join the celebration of independent record stores in Downtown Burlington!

For more information, visit Facebook.com/WeirdHarolds.

PLAYERS WORKSHOP THEATER A COMEDY OF TENORS

April 19 - 21 and 25 - 28, 7:30 PM/Sundays 2 PM

A Comedy of Tenors by Ken Ludwig 3F and 4M Farce Director Steve Poling. One hotel suite, four tenors, two wives, three girlfriends, and a soccer stadium filled with screaming fans. What could possibly go wrong?

Filled with characters from Ken Ludwig's famous Lend Me A Tenor, this new addition to the Ludwig canon is an uproarious ride full of mistaken identities, blissful romance, and madcap delight.

For more information, visit PlayersWorkshopTheater.com.

SCC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP DONOR APPRECIATION RECEPTION

April 19, 9 - 11 AM | West Burlington Campus

Gratitude has many faces. Join us for this special day to learn how your support is making a difference in the lives of students.

- Friday, April 19
- SCC Little Theater
- 9 AM Welcome & Light Refreshments
- 9:30 AM Short Program
- 10 AM Optional Walking Tour

RSVP with number of attendees to Rebecca at 319-208-5066 or email rchase@scciowa.edu.



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It's Happening in Downtown Burlington this Spring!

The Spring Open House on April 14 will give shoppers the opportunity to view new trends and try new foods with eateries and drinkeries showing off their new food and drink menus.

You will also be able to register for up to \$750 in Downtown Dollars! We are looking forward to Spring weather and exploring the Downtown during this fun shopping event.

Don't miss out on the buzz – come see what's happening in the Downtown! It's not just an event; it is a celebration of spring, style, and shopping galore!



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