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Island Insight



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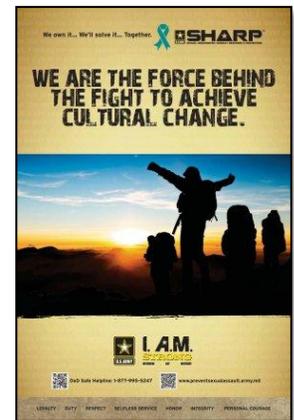


Army Continues to Aggressively Push Sexual Assault Prevention, Response Efforts:

Army surveys show that Soldiers are more willing now to report they've been the victim of sexual assault. But the service is still not happy with its efforts to eliminate such crimes within the ranks. "It's hard to capture a single emotion," said Secretary of the Army John M. McHugh, addressing lawmakers on Capitol Hill, May 8. "All of us, we're frustrated, we're angry -- but

what we aren't is dissuaded from continuing the fight and meeting the challenge. This is so contrary to everything upon which the Army was built. "To see this kind of activity happening in our ranks is heart wrenching and sickening," McHugh continued. "We've tried and will continue to try to approach this at virtually every level." To increase our effectiveness in addressing sexual assault Army leaders are aggressively

enforcing the Army's Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program while implementing new initiatives announced May 7 by the Department of Defense, said Carolyn Collins, director of the Army's SHARP



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program. ([More](#))

Quad Cities Military Salute Gala:

Honoring Those Who Serve: For all that sequestration has been charged with lately, one consequence is surely an opportunity for the Quad-Cities. Because of budget issues, the Army Birthday Ball that celebrates the rich heritage of our Army has been cancelled at the national level and at the Rock Island Arsenal as well. The Rock Island Arsenal Chapter of the Association of the United States Army has long supported this event and saw an opportunity to partner with the Quad-City Chamber of Commerce to allow the community to host the Quad-Cities Military Salute Gala honoring the 238th birthday of the United States Army. The event will be held on June 15 at the Q-C Waterfront Convention Center in Bettendorf. ([More](#))



Defense Agency Will Use Sequester, Other Cuts to Make Big Changes:

The Defense Logistics Agency is using the current budget environment to its

advantage, leveraging the culture of cuts into transformative changes at the Pentagon's logistics arm. Vice Adm. Mark Harnitchek, the DLA director, told attendees of Government Executive's Excellence in Government conference Monday that cuts at the Defense Department have led to increased pressure to institute a culture of change. ([More](#))

Summer Vacation, Health Care Powers of Attorney for Minor

Children: May brings the traditional end of the school year and thoughts of summer vacations like going to grandma and grandpa's house for her special homemade cookies, to the lake with an older sibling for camping and fishing, or to a special aunt or uncle's house for an out-of-town adventure or family reunion. All are often the highlight for family fun each summer. Everyone surely remembers to pack swimsuits, shorts, sandals and sunscreen. ([More](#))



Blast from the Past: Gully Golf

Comes to Arsenal: There is no par. That 350-yard No. 1 hole? That's a 3-shotter. As in, it should take three shots to reach the green. There are no tees.

Upcoming Dates

- May 15:** USAG-RIA Full Scale Exercise
- May 17-18:** All American Hickory Open [📅](#)
- May 18:** Quad Cities Armed Forces Day [📅](#)
- May 21:** RIAWC Golf Tournament [📅](#)
- May 21-22:** USAG-RIA Motorcycle Basic Rider Course [📅](#)
- May 21-23:** Small Business Symposium / Industry Day [📅](#)
- May 23:** Rock Island National Cemetery Flag Placement [📅](#)
- May 23:** USAG-RIA Experienced Rider Course [📅](#)
- May 24:** MWR Spring Golf Scramble
- May 25:** Quad City Raiders' Service Member Appreciation Day [📅](#)
- May 27:** Memorial Day (*Federal Holiday*)
- May 27:** Survivor Outreach Services Memorial Day
- May 27:** Rock Island National Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony [📅](#)
- June 11:** USAG-RIA Assumption of Command
- June 11-13:** DA Photo Studio Availability
- June 12:** USAG-RIA Safety Day
- June 15:** Quad Cities Military Salute Gala [📅](#)
- June 15:** Pioneer River Days @ COL Davenport House [📅](#)
- June 18:** USAG-RIA Town Hall
- June 24-28:** USAG-RIA Joint Services Installation Vulnerability Assessment (JSIVA)
- June 27:** RIA 3rd QTR Retirement, Retreat & Award Ceremony
- July 2:** JMC Change of Command Ceremony
- July 3:** Red, White & Boom [📅](#)
- July 4:** Independence Day (*Federal Holiday*)
- July 11:** JMTC Change of Command Ceremony
- July 9:** AUSA John Deere Golf Tournament at Arsenal Island Golf Course
- July 9-11:** DA Photo Studio Availability
- July 16-18:** USAG-RIA Motorcycle Experienced Rider Course [📅](#)



See that bucket of sand next to the tee box? Yeah, you get the idea. There is a golf ball, though it hardly acts like one. It's made out of gutta-percha, a tough, rubbery substance, and its catchy nickname — "guttie" — doubles as a moniker for a pre-1900 variation of hickory golf that has become a passion for Connor Lewis and others who play. Next Friday and Saturday, guttie golf will make its debut in the Quad-Cities when Lewis brings the third annual All American Hickory Open to the historic Arsenal Island Golf Course. ([More](#))

Still No Word on Defense Furloughs:

The Defense Department had not announced a final decision on departmentwide furloughs by midday Monday, as the Navy pushed to exempt shipyard workers from any involuntary unpaid leave. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel continued to reevaluate the number of furlough days necessary for the department's employees, Defense spokeswoman Cmdr. Leslie Hull-Ryde said on Friday in an email to Government Executive. Hagel has reportedly been pushing Defense officials to find ways to reduce



or even eliminate civilian furloughs. ([More](#))

Fed Retirement System Works But Problems Remain, OPM Says:

A House committee will hear different takes on how well the retirement system for federal employees is working at a hearing Thursday. The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has "implemented several initiatives to develop a 21st Century customer-focused retirement processing system that adjudicates claims in a timely and accurate manner," Kenneth Zawodny, OPM associate director for retirement services, says in testimony submitted to the Oversight and Government Reform subcommittee on the federal workforce. ([More](#))



Furloughs Only the Latest Blow to Federal Worker Morale:

Federal workers say they don't have much to celebrate these days. Furloughs began in April, exacerbating already low morale for many government agencies as budgets have tightened. Downsizing has meant more work for those who remain, and talk of further cuts has many worried about job security. This year is

also the third that federal workers haven't received a pay increase, contributing to discontent. ([More](#))

Budget Woes May Force Base Closures, Reserve Drawdowns:

Budget woes may force BRAC, oust 80,000 reservists, leaders say. The Army has been forced to cut a lot of soldiers, training and services over the past year — and the coming year isn't looking any better. ([More](#))

Installation Force Protection

Exercise: The USAG will be hosting the annual Full Scale Force Protection Exercise on **May 15**.

In order to make this event a success, volunteers are needed to act as role players. The exercise requires 25 volunteers to provide realistic training for RIA and community. Volunteers are needed from 7 a.m. until approximately 2 p.m. the day of the exercise and for a one-hour safety briefing **May 14**. POC is [Ed Peterson](#) at (309) 782-1756. Since this exercise is conducted during work hours, personnel should coordinate with their supervisors for authorization prior to contacting Peterson. As in past



exercises, organizations will set their own leave authorizations. Lunch will not be provided so volunteers are asked to bring a lunch or purchase a premium boxed lunch from Sheridan's for \$6.95 that will be brought to the exercise location. Order forms will be available at the safety briefing on **May 14**.

AUSA May General Membership Meeting: Rock Island Arsenal AUSA Chapter 5102 is having a general membership meeting at the Arsenal Island Golf Course clubhouse, 4-5:30 p.m., Thursday, **May 16**. Rear Adm.

(Ret.) Sam Kupresin, newly invested Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army (CASA), will discuss the role and importance of the position to the QC Region. RIA AUSA nominations for president & executive vice president will be accepted for the 2013-2015 board. Light hors d'œuvres and drinks will be provided at no charge. Cash bar will be available. Space is limited, please RSVP by email to rsvp@ria-ausa.org by Tuesday, **May 14**. ([Flyer](#))



Blood Drive: The Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center is hosting a blood drive in the Caisson Room (First Floor, Bldg. 60), on **Friday, May 17, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.** If you would like to donate at this blood drive, feel free to e-mail SHoegerl@mvrbc.com with the time you'd like to schedule, or call their Donor Center at (563) 359-5401, ext. 119. A **2nd shift** blood drive will be held in the Cafeteria (Bldg. 210) beginning at **6:15 p.m. on May 24**. A **3rd shift** blood drive will be held in the Cafeteria (Bldg. 210) beginning at **2:15 a.m. on May 17**. To sign up for a blood drive held on either the 2nd or 3rd shift, donors should contact their shift supervisor. ([Blood Transfusion En Route to Trauma Center Keeps Navy Vet Alive](#))

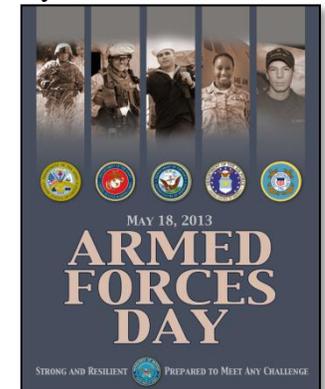


Charlie Corpuscle Says, "We will have a drawing for a red Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center polo. Any donors giving on the Arsenal during the month of May will be included in the drawing. Winner will be allowed to specify their size preference."



The Army encourages its employees to volunteer as candidates for any of the variety of medical donor programs, including blood, bone marrow, and organ donor/transplant programs. For additional information [click here](#).

6th Annual Quad Cities Armed Forces Day Celebration: The Armed Forces Day Celebration will be held Saturday, **May 18**, at the Brady Street Stadium Complex in Davenport. The hours of operation will be 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. The event will include participation from all of the military branches, the local reserve components, military associations, veterans' organizations, and the Quad City area High Schools Junior ROTC Programs. The celebration will feature equipment displays, live performances, presentations and table displays with the opportunity to visit with members from all of our nation's branches of service, including the US Coast Guard, Civil Air Patrol and local Military Explorers.



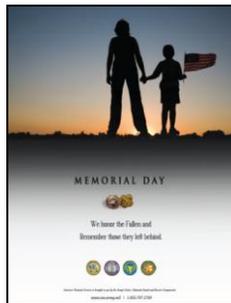
Food and refreshments will be available for purchase during this event. ([More](#))

Flag Placement: Cemetery volunteers are needed for placement and removal of American flags. The [Rock Island National Cemetery](#) is seeking volunteers to place American flags at the headstones of fallen servicemembers in honor of Memorial Day.

Work to place the flags will begin at 4 p.m., Thursday, **May 23**, rain or shine. In the event of severe weather, flag placement will be 4 p.m., Friday, **May 24**. Work to remove the flags begins at 7:30 a.m., Tuesday, **May 28**, weather permitting. All volunteers need to show up inside the cemetery to receive flags and instructions. For more information, call (309) 782-2094.



Memorial Day Ceremony: A Memorial Day Ceremony will begin at **10:45 a.m., Monday, May 27**, at [Rock Island National Cemetery](#). There will be no



parking at the cemetery for these ceremonies except for individuals who are wheelchair bound. Parking for all others will be behind Memorial Park in the large lot. Buses will be transporting people from the parking lot to the cemetery and will run 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Visitors should arrive early to ensure enough time to park their vehicles and be transported to the cemetery. Memorial Park is located off of the main Island road, Rodman Avenue at the corner of East Street. The public must enter the Arsenal through the Moline gate. Anyone more than 16 years of age must have current photo identification and vehicles may be subject to search. If anyone, over the age of 16, in a vehicle does not have current picture identification they will not be allowed to enter Rock Island Arsenal. For more information, call (309) 782-2094.

Review Your Official Personnel Folder Before June 1:

The CPAC reminds Arsenal Island employees that there is a need for you to access your eOPF (electronic Official Personnel Folder) record in order to ensure your records are correct and complete in advance of the destruction of the hard-copy OPF, currently



scheduled for June 1. Effective Oct. 31, employees should have had access to their Official Personnel Folder electronically. Please review the information and follow the instructions to gain access to view your eOPF in the links at the end of this announcement, which link to a packet that also contains a welcome letter for new eOPF users, a screen-shot guide to access, FAQs as well as password reset information. For questions or concerns with the eOPF system, please contact eOPF by calling the Help Desk at 1-866-275-8518 or by contacting them via email at eOPF_hd@telesishq.com. ([eOPF Welcome Letter & Packet](#)) ([Additional information on eOPF](#))

RIAWC Golf Tournament: Cost is \$100/player. Registration includes: Green fees, cart, range balls, lunch, & dinner.

Registration is open until all teams have been filled. Non-players can register for dinner only for \$23. Format: 4-Man Scramble (Best Ball). Awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers along with prizes for designated holes. To register for golf, or RSVP for the dinner only, please contact



[Tiffany Horvath](#), (907) 223-5430. If you are interested in sponsoring or donating to this event, please contact Tiffany. Registration: 9-11 a.m. Shotgun start: 11 a.m. Banquet dinner: 6-8 p.m. Please join us ... Tuesday, **May 21**, Rock Island Arsenal Golf Club. The RIAWC is proud to partner with the Midwest Small Business Symposium to host the 2013 Charity Golf Outing ... open to all who want to have fun and support the RIAWC.

Low Cost Rabies Clinic at HSSC:

Owners of dogs and cats in need of rabies vaccinations are invited to bring their pet companions to the low cost Rabies Clinic at the Humane Society of Scott County from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, **May 14**. The rabies vaccination fee is \$7.50. All dogs must be on leashes and cats must be in carriers. Bring previous rabies vaccination paperwork if available. For more information, contact the Humane Society of Scott County at (563) 388-6655. ([More](#))



Quad Cities Military Salute Gala:

Through a partnership with Rock Island

Arsenal AUSA Chapter 5102 in honor of the Army's 238th Birthday, and in an effort to honor the military, their families and veterans as well as the broader community that makes up Rock Island Arsenal (i.e. DOD civilians and contractors), the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce is hosting the area's inaugural Quad Cities Military Salute Gala on Saturday, **June 15**, at the Quad Cities Waterfront Convention Center, in Bettendorf. The Arsenal Island workforce is invited and encouraged by the Chamber to attend. Fliers for both events are attached. ([For more information and to R.S.V.P. by June 1](#))

RIA AUSA 2013 Golf Outing & Steak Fry:

The Rock Island Arsenal Chapter of the AUSA will hold its 14th Annual Golf Outing & Steak Fry on Friday, **July 26**, at the beautiful Arsenal Island Golf Course. Players ... hurry and [register for this event](#). Only the first 40 teams will play! AUSA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization that supports America's Army – Active, National Guard, Reserve, Civilians, Retirees, Government Civilians, Wounded Warriors, Veterans, and their family



members. Proceeds from this event are used to fund all of our Chapter activities including our Soldier & Family Support programs, wounded warrior programs, veteran support initiatives, the USO/AUSA Emergency Relief Grant Program & the RIA AUSA Scholarship program. For thirty years, our Chapter has supported initiatives to strengthen the viability of the Arsenal, aide MWR & ACS programs, sponsor veteran support programs and we have contributed more than \$125,000 in the last two years for Soldier and Family needs. ([More](#))

Arsenal Attic Thrift Shop &

Boutique: Arsenal Attic open Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Parking is limited right now but still available for shoppers and consignors. Open this Saturday, **May 18**. A lot of great items to choose from. Come shop with us at the Attic. POC: (309) 782-6977.

American Cancer Society, Relay for Life of Rock Island County:

Help make a world with more birthdays. Celebrate with survivors, remember and honor those who are no longer with us. Relay for Life, Browning Field, Moline, **Sept. 14-15**, 3 p.m. – 7 a.m. For more information contact: Linda Reynolds,



(309) 230-2492 or Jen Davis, (309) 337-9326. ([More](#))

Thank You: According to a statement sent out by OPM, the Director of CFC, Keith Willingham, said, "I'm pleased to share the results of the 2012 Combined Federal Campaign. As you know, the 2012 CFC contained many challenges. Yet, federal employees, members of the uniformed services, and postal employees continued to show their commitment to their local communities and the world at large by contributing \$258.3 million to participating CFC charities." As the 2012 and 2013 CFC Chair, I would like to thank everyone who participated in the 2012 Illowa Bi-State Campaign, as we contributed more than \$611,000 to the amount above. We look forward to another success campaign in 2013. - *Matthew Kopel, Illowa Bi-State CFC Campaign Chair*

Arsenal Island Employee Local

Discounts: *The following discounts are exclusively available to Arsenal Island employees –*

Bennigan's Rock Island: Arsenal employees, service men, service women



you are always welcome at Bennigan's in Rock Island, and to show you how much your welcome here, we offer a 25 percent discount off your meal, any day any time (☺). **New Life Chiropractic Clinic:** Arsenal Island employees, we're offering you a 20 percent discount on our services (☺). **Goebel Family Dentistry:** Active duty members of the military receive a 10 percent discount on all services. All other Arsenal civilian employees who are new patients can receive either the free exam and x-rays or a free whitening treatment on their first visit (☺). **Sam's Club:** Come to an open house planned just for the Arsenal Island workforce, Sunday, **May 19**, 6-8 p.m., at the Davenport Sam's Club. Membership not required to participate. Special renewal and sign up membership offer for two hours only (☺). **Big Mouthz BBQ:** We're offering all public employees (city, county, state, and federal) \$1 off their order every Monday (☺). **Leadercast:** Tickets are available for \$110 per person; Arsenal employees and military personnel receive a special discount – use the discount code HOOAH when you register and your ticket price will be \$99 per person (☺). **Massages By Kim:** For the month of May, in honor of Military Appreciation Month, Massages By Kim is offering 10 percent off to all military

and military families (with valid id) for an hour massage. Appointments can be made [online](#), where you can indicate that you're military when scheduling the appointment online in the "Note to Provider" section (☺). *This information is included for general workforce interest and does not constitute endorsement of the businesses or products.*

Everybody Loves Bacon!: Sheridan's Catering is having a special BLT Day in the Bldg. 350 Cafeteria on Wednesday, **May 15**. This Wednesday, **May 15**, is also Sheridan's free delivery day.

Arsenal Traffic/Construction

Closure at North Ave. & Gillespie Street:

Phase 3 of the North Avenue project started May 6. Phase 3 consists of storm sewer and paving work at the intersection of North and Gillespie. The completion of Phase 3 will require **30 to 45 days of good weather**. Barricades and signs will be installed and traffic will be routed in accordance with the detour map attached with both inbound and outbound traffic directions (North



Avenue Project Phase 3 Inbound-outbound). DPW POCs are Joe Gumpert, (309) 782-1389; and Mike Panilo, (309) 782-6004.

Building/Space Closures

Closure of Third Floors in Bldg. 61, Bldg. 62: The Directorate of Public Works plans to close Bldg. 61 3rd floor and Bldg. 62 3rd floor, East and South Wings, **Sept. 10 - 3rd week in May** to execute projects. Closure is to prevent individuals from entering the work area and to preclude any potential accidents. Plastic enclosures will be installed from the passenger elevator in Bldg. 62 to the eastern most stairwell in Bldg. 61 so employees in Bldg. 62/3/W have an entry/exit pathway. Entries will be marked with signage and barriers to prevent entry.

Active Duty/Reserve Zone

Out Of Rotation -- Army Canceling Select Tours to Hit Drawdown Goal: Soldiers scheduled to deploy in the next 18 months could have their tours canceled as the U.S. draws down from

Afghanistan. The military is scheduled to bring home 34,000 troops from Afghanistan by February, cutting the force by more than half. The drawdown will continue past that as the U.S.-led coalition transfers security responsibility to the Afghans by December 2014. "Where do you think a lot of that's going to come?" Gen. John Campbell, the Army vice chief of staff, said during a recent interview with Army Times. "We're probably going to off-ramp several active [units] and we're also going to off-ramp reserve. We did it for Iraq. We've already done it for Afghanistan several times." Additional off-ramps are likely because of the ongoing fiscal crisis. ([More](#))

Experts: Tape Test Has Huge Margin of Error: Who are you calling fat? It's a question many in uniform ask themselves every time some busybody is stretching that ugly yellow tape around them. And for good reason. Promotions are at stake. Careers are on the line. And as the military downsizes, those considered



overweight are getting jettisoned by the services in increasing numbers. ([More](#))

2013 Army Posture Statement: The Army for the Future: The Army for the future will feature regionally aligned and mission-tailored forces designed to respond to combatant commander requirements to prevent conflict, shape the strategic environment and, when necessary, win decisively. The Army must strike a balance between force structure, readiness and modernization, in a manner that is mindful of fiscal realities yet also provides the nation with optimized but capable landpower. Regionally aligned, mission tailored forces will continue to play an essential role in the defense strategic guidance, which rebalances to the Asia-Pacific region while maintaining our commitment to partners in and around the Middle East. ([More](#))

Active Duty Caddie Program at John Deere Classic: The PGA Tour will once again be sponsoring the Active Duty Caddie Program, for the John Deere Classic, on Wednesday, **July 10**. The PGA is looking for 20 active duty military to participate in the ADCP. The participants will be on-site all morning and will have the opportunity to walk inside the ropes, caddie for, and interact



with PGA Tour players. This is open to all branches of the service. Those wanting to participate must have their supervisor's permission for this duty time event. The point of contact for the Caddie Program is [Marc Raiken](#), (904) 543-5112 or (201) 919-6070.

Free Rabies Clinic at HSSC for Active Duty Military:

Attention military families – thanks to a grant from the Rock Island Arsenal Welcome Club, 13 military families, currently in service to our country and veterans, can bring a dog or cat to one of our rabies clinics and have their pet companion vaccinated free. Please present a valid ID. Only one pet per military family, please, so that we may serve as many families as made possible by the grant. For more information, contact the Humane Society of Scott County at (563) 388-6655. ([More](#))

Safety Spotlight

Safety Awareness Day: To better promote Safety Awareness among our soldiers, civilians and families, the Rock Island Arsenal Garrison is hosting a "Safety Awareness Day" on Thursday, **June 12**, 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Bldg. 60 cafeteria. Please join us for safety

information dealing with motorcycles, boats, automobiles, holiday celebrations, house fires and various other summer safety activities. All are welcome. For more information call (309) 782-1380.

Motorcycle Safety Course: The USAG-RIA Safety Office will be sponsoring upcoming Motorcycle Rider Courses. This cycle rider safety training program will be certified by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. The courses are designed to help riders manage their risk and increase their skills through riding and classroom instruction. Per DODI 6055.4, DoD Traffic Safety Program, military personnel who operate motorcycles must be appropriately licensed to operate on public highways and must have successfully completed an approved rider or operator safety course meeting the MSF-based State-approved curriculum. Any Soldier operating a motorcycle on the Rock Island Arsenal must be in possession of an MSF card when they ride to verify completion of



required training. The next one-day Experienced Rider Courses are scheduled to be conducted on **May 23**, as well as **July 16-18** and **Sept. 17-19**. Additionally, there are still openings for the two-day Basic Rider Course scheduled for **May 21 & 22**. Registration for all courses is through the web-based AIRS system at <https://apps.imcom.army.mil/AIRS>. For further information, please contact [Michael Chaplin](#), IMRI-SO, at (309) 782-2314/1380, or [Nancy Carlson](#), IMRI-SO, at (309) 782-2309.

Headphone/Earphone Use Prohibited on Arsenal Island:

The use of headphones or earphones while walking, jogging, skating, and bicycling, including pocket bike, motorcycle or moped on Army installation roads and streets, is prohibited.



Reference: [AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, Chapter 6, para 5](#). Public, Family, and recreational safety programs are an essential part of the Army Safety Program that must continually heighten accident prevention awareness during all on-duty and off-duty recreational programs for Soldiers, Army Civilians, and their Families.



Sports and recreational activities continue to rank high as a major cause of accidental injury.

Military Rider: The Department of Defense marks the start of prime motorcycle riding weather by designating each May as Motorcycle Safety Month.

This special report highlights DoD and



service-related efforts to enhance the safety and overall riding experience for service members and veterans through training, mentorship and education. Support driver safety programs to the maximum extent ... be a Military Rider - acquire the Right Skills, the Right Training, the Right Attitude. Spread the word!

www.Defense.gov/militaryrider

Equal Opportunity Focus

Asian Pacific American Heritage

Month: The month of May is recognized as the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. This month was chosen to commemorate the

immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad by a majority of Chinese immigrants on May 10, 1869. This year's theme, Building Leadership: Embracing Cultural Values and Inclusion, acknowledges all that the U.S. Army has gained from the Asian and Pacific Americans and communities and how the nation has been strengthened and enriched by embracing their cultural diversity. ([More](#))

Morale, Welfare & Recreation (MWR)

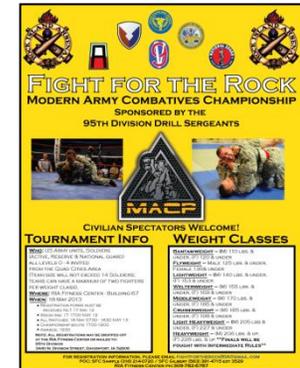
Visit the MWR website at www.riamwr.com for information on all MWR programs. Also [click here](#) to become a fan on Facebook, or Twitter @golf1897, and stay up to date on all the great MWR offerings here at the Arsenal.

Beer Pairing Dinner: Do you enjoy beer? Do you enjoy it even more when it is perfectly paired with fine cuisine? If you said yes to either one of those questions you need to call and make your reservations today for our Friday, **May 17**, at 7 p.m., beer pairing dinner at the Arsenal Island Golf Clubhouse.

Enjoy samples of Schlafly Brewery's craft brews that have been carefully selected to complement and enhance the courses of fine cuisine prepared by our executive chef. The cost is \$50/person. The full menu will be posted on <http://riamwr.com> soon. Call (309) 782-4372 for reservations. ([Flyer](#))

2013 RIA Combatives Tournament:

Fight for the Rock, Modern Army Combatives Championship, sponsored by the 95th Division Drill Sergeants, will be held **May 18**, at the RIA Fitness Center, Bldg. 67, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; championship bouts 5-7 p.m.



Who: US Army units, Soldiers (active, reserve & National Guard), all levels O-4 invited from the QC area (team size will not exceed 14 Soldiers; teams can have a maximum of two fighters per weight class). Civilian spectators are welcome. All weight classes are accepted. Individual entry, weigh-in/medical screening at RIA Fitness Center. Entry forms are available at the Fitness Center.



MWR Golf Tournament: Get your foursome together, start swinging the sticks and see if you have what it takes to be crowned Arsenal champs on Friday, **May 24**, 8:30 a.m. This four person best-ball scramble is \$65/player (\$50 for annual pass holders) and includes green fees, cart, lunch and prizes. Call (309) 793-1604 for more info and to register. ([Flyer](#))

Adult Softball League Now Forming: Get your team together and start loosening up those arms because spring is here and that means softball season. League starts **May 27** and rosters are due on **May 20**. Maximum of 10 teams and cost is \$420/team. The league is an 18 week season with a single elimination tournament at the end. Please call (309) 782-5124 or stop by the Fitness Center for more info and to sign up. ([Flyer](#))



MWR Leisure Travel Office



Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Bldg. 60. The office is closed for lunch from 10:30–11 a.m., (309) 782-5890. ([email](#)) ([website](#))

Mount Olympus Waterpark: One of the world's largest wave pools, some of the fastest rivers and steepest slides make Mount Olympus is the best attraction for outdoor summer time fun. Wristbands on sale for \$28, a \$11.99 savings.

MWR Yard Sale: It's that time again. MWR is planning another yard sale. So start cleaning out those closets, attics and garages. Leisure Travel is reserving spots for \$5.
Date: **Saturday, June 1**
Time: **8 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

Menopause The Musical: It is a celebration of women, so bring the girls and laugh out loud about our "silent passage." Bring your guy, too. See what millions worldwide have been laughing about for more than 10 years! Rated PG-13 for adult content and language. Tickets on sale until **June 29**. \$43.50 a ticket.
Date: **Saturday, July 13**
Time: **5:45 p.m.**

Heartland Jam 2013: Leisure Travel will be selling one or two day passes to the Heartland Jam. This two day event will feature Phil Vassar, Kellie Pickler, Darius Rucker, Jerrod Niemann, Lauren Alaina, Rodney Atkins and many more

performers. Discounted tickets on sale until **June 29**. One-day ticket = \$44, two-day ticket = \$54.
Date: **Friday, July 19**
Time: **1 p.m.**

Six Flags Great America: Thrill-seekers are sure to enjoy one of our amazing roller coasters. We have a variety of out-of-this-world coasters, including Viper, Batman The Ride and Raging Bull, the world's first hyper-twister coaster. In total, the park has nearly seven miles of thrilling coaster track. Discounted tickets adult/child \$36.

Six Flags St Louis: An amazing theme park featuring awesome rides, great shows, and incredible attractions, plus Hurricane Harbor water park. Discounted one-day admission tickets for adults/children \$36.

Adventureland Park: Adventureland Amusement Park contains more than 100 rides, shows, and attractions including some of the country's most exciting roller coasters and thrill rides that can challenge the most avid amusement park enthusiasts. There are also plenty of rides for less adventurous guests as well as a full complement of children's rides. Discounted tickets \$30.



Movie Night Gift Cards at Leisure

Travel: Stop by the Leisure Travel Office and pick up a gift card for \$27 that is redeemable at the Regal Moline Stadium Theater for two adult movie tickets and \$10 in concessions. These make great for a present for that special someone in your life. The Leisure Travel Office also is once again selling discounted single movie tickets for \$8.50. Call (309) 782-5890 for more info. ([Flyer](#))

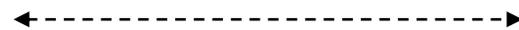


Child, Youth & School Services



Army Certified Family Child Care

Provider: Would you, or someone you know, be interested in becoming an Army Certified Family Child Care provider for the Arsenal? We are always looking to bring more FCC providers into our program. You would be doing childcare out of your home with access to our lending closet for borrowing supplies, as well as certified training provided through the Arsenal. For questions or more details contact our FCC director Nancy Lawson at (309) 782-0813.



Army Community Service (ACS)



ACS is located in Bldg. 110, 1st floor SE; Visit our [ACS website](#) or phone (309) 782-0829. Call ahead for special accommodations when attending ACS classes. Find us on Facebook [click here](#). 24/7 Sexual Assault Hotline: (309) 229-8412



MySECO Website Launch May 8:

The Spouse Education and Career Opportunities Program (MySECO) has launched a new look for their Military Spouse website starting on May 8. The site will give spouses 24-7 access to online education and career information, resources, tools and assessments. [You can find the website HERE](#). The MySECO website will continue to grow and expand in services to include the ability to import a LinkedIn profile, build and manage resumes, and view occupational career paths. When spouses first visit the site they will be required to register and build a personalized profile.



Prepare for the Furlough by Saving –

Military Saves Campaign: The pending furlough and its impact on civilian employees could provide a new perspective for the Ready Army Campaign. The Ready Army Campaign is the Army's proactive campaign to increase the resilience of the greater Army community including its civilian employees – we need to enhance the readiness and resiliency of the total force. The furlough provides an opportunity to re-look the Personal Financial Management aspects of our civilian workforce. The PFM campaign that can directly assist is Military Saves. While its focus week is late February, the campaign is year round including the conduct of classes and coaching sessions. Take the pledge and become a better saver. Scientists have found that people who write out a goal are more likely to achieve that goal. Here is the pledge: "I will help myself by saving money, reducing debt, and building wealth over time. I will help my family and my country by encouraging other Americans to build wealth, not debt." You may take this pledge at www.militarysaves.org – set a goal, make a plan, now. You can handle emergencies – and furloughs - better with savings. Savings is a win-win situation: • If there is no furlough – you have money in the bank. • If the number



of furlough days is reduced – you have money in the bank. • If the furlough occurs as planned – you have money in the bank. So what can we all be doing while we wait for the next round of furlough guidance? Prepare! - take the pledge on-line, set a goal, make a plan, and save. Military Saves!

Army Family Team Building: Army Family Team Building, an educational program that teaches knowledge of the military, personal growth and resiliency, and leadership skills, is being offered on Rock Island Arsenal. AFTB is offered to the entire military family: military members, family members, civilians, and contractors who live or work within the military community. AFTB Level G (Personal Growth) is **May 15-16**, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.; AFTB Level L (Leadership Development) is **June 5-6**, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Classes will be held at Army Community Service, Bldg. 110, 1st Floor, SE. To register for these free classes, please call ACS at (309) 782-0829. Civilians can also sign up on [TEDs](#).



Employee Assistance Program

☉ **For free, confidential counseling assistance or for information on services that are available, call (309) 782-4357. Normal business hours are from 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday - Friday. For additional information on the Employee Assistance Program see [our website](#) or visit us on [Facebook](#). The new location for the EAP/ASAP is Bldg. 56, 1st floor, East.**

Children's Mental Health Awareness – May 2013: Suicide among youth is a reality, and it is more common than we might think. Suicide is the third leading cause of death among 15 to 24 year olds, claiming more lives than any single disease or condition.



Fortunately, the emotional crises that so often precede suicides are both recognizable and treatable, and good prevention tools can help parents identify a problem before it's too late. In honor of National Children's Mental Health Awareness Week that took place May 5 -11, the Rock Island Arsenal Employee Assistance Program invites

you to take advantage of the free and confidential counseling services that the program has to offer. Schedule an appointment with an EAP counselor by calling (309) 782-4357. Master-level counselors can provide information, short-term counseling, and referral services. The teenage years can be tumultuous – new relationships, decisions about the future, and even physical changes can be difficult to handle. If you have any concerns about your child's mental health, talk it over with a trained professional at the EAP. Warning signs of suicide: Call 9-1-1 or seek immediate help from a mental health provider if you notice the following: • Someone threatening to hurt or kill him/herself, or talking of wanting to hurt or kill him/herself; • Someone looking for ways to kill him/herself by seeking access to firearms, available pills, or other means. Seek help by contacting a mental health professional or calling 1-800-273-TALK for a referral should you notice anyone exhibiting one or more of the following: • Hopelessness; • Rage, uncontrolled anger, seeking revenge; • Acting reckless or engaging in risky activities, seemingly without thinking; • Feeling trapped - like there's no way out; • Increased alcohol or drug use; • Withdrawing from friends, family and



society; • Anxiety, agitation, inability to sleep or sleeping all the time; • Dramatic mood changes; • Excessive interest, talk, or writings focused on death, dying or suicide; • No reason for living; no sense of purpose in life.

PTSD Support Groups: Are you or a loved one experiencing symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder? The Rock Island Arsenal Health Clinic and Employee Assistance Program are sponsoring support groups to assist you through this difficult challenge. Contact Rita Baugh, EAP counselor, at (309) 782-2552 for more details.

Understanding PTSD: The RIA EAP is offering educational classes on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. Classes will be held in Bldg. 56, 1st floor, Room 122, 10:30-11:30 a.m., on the following dates: **May 21, June 25, July 23, and Aug. 27.** Call (309) 782-4357 to enroll.

Smoking Cessation Group: Do you want to learn effective ways to kick the habit? The Employee Assistance Program offers an ongoing educational support group for people who would like to quit smoking. The group meets each Wednesday, 3-4 p.m., at the EAP office located in Bldg. 56, 1st floor, East Wing.

Stress Management: The Rock Island Arsenal EAP is offering classes on Stress Management. Classes will be held in Bldg. 56, 1st floor, Room 122, 10:30-11:30 a.m., on the following dates: **June 11, July 9, and Aug. 13.** Class size is limited. Call (309) 782-4357 to enroll.

Grief Support Group: The Employee Assistance Program is sponsoring a support group for individuals who are mourning the death of a loved one. The group will meet on Tuesdays, 3-4 p.m., in Bldg. 56, 1st floor, Room 122. For more information contact Rita Baugh, EAP counselor, at (309) 782-2552.

Education/Training Review

The Rock Island Army Education Center is located in Bldg. 56, 1st floor, west end of the building. **Office hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday - Friday.** Phone: (309) 782-2065 Fax: (309) 782-7901. Please visit our [website](#) to learn more.

Miluniversity Adds to Army Online Learning Opportunities: A new learning portal provides enhanced training and access to Department of Defense professional networking tools.

Developed by the Army's Military Technical (MilTech) Solutions Office, milUniversity bridges the gap between how people prefer to learn -- those who enjoy attending training classes, but may have questions afterward, and those who prefer to learn at their own pace by reading text and viewing videos. ([More](#))

Commissary / Exchange

The [Rock Island Commissary](#) and the [Exchange](#) are for active duty military and retirees only, with the exception of select items (mainly consumable) at the Exchange that can be purchased by Arsenal Island employees with ID. The Commissary makes fresh fruit baskets daily for you! Shopping for someone who has everything? Problem solved. They are hungry for fresh fruit. Just buy them a fruit basket and relax. Ask our friendly staff to make you one or order one in advance. Check out local specials and get POC information [HERE](#). For information on this and other Commissaries, visit: www.commissaries.com ([Facebook](#))

Store Director's Scoop: We will be having a Warehouse Sale on the **May**



17-18. Come check out the savings we have in store for you. Do you have an item that we don't carry at Rock Island, but you have purchased at another commissary? Stop by and see Penny to check if we can get it for you. If you have the UPC it helps our search and ensures we are getting the right item for you. You would be required to purchase the case if we special order it for you. Need a special cut of meat? See Doug and the meat crew, they will be happy to help get exactly what you need. Fruit and vegetable trays are the perfect picnic food. Let us make one or more for you today. We also make beautiful fruit baskets that we offer in three sizes. We do ask that you give us 24 hours notice on these specialty items. We at Rock Island take our customer service to you very seriously. If you feel that you have not received the best possible customer service let me know via email patricia.umana@deca.mil or just call me at (309) 782-4614. I would also love to hear an over and above customer service story too. We appreciate that you shop at the Rock Island Arsenal Commissary ... thank you.



Arsenal Archive



Information for the Arsenal Archive is made available by the Rock Island Arsenal Museum. The Museum is open to the public, Tuesday through Saturday, 12-4 p.m. Closed Sunday, Monday, federal holidays, the Friday after Thanksgiving, and Christmas Eve. Admission is free. ([website](#))

Rock Island Arsenal Historical

Society Meeting: Members from the Louisa County Historical Society will speak about the Six Littleton Brothers-- All Casualties of the Civil War. If you join us for dinner, advanced reservations must be made with Linda at (563) 355-6165, by **June 3**. The 7 p.m. program is free and open to the public.

Date: **Thursday, June 6**
Time: **6 p.m. Dinner, and 7 p.m.**
Speaker

Pioneer Living Day at the Colonel

Davenport House: The Colonel Davenport House, located on the North end of Arsenal Island, is stepping back in time for Pioneer Living Day on **Saturday, June 15**. Be a part of history from George Davenport's time 1-4 p.m. with guided tours of the house, and outside in the yard see log raft



demonstrations, black-powder gun demonstrations, children's games, pioneer crafts, a doll quilt display, and many re-enactors to take a picture with you. Pioneer Living Day is included with regular admission to the house: \$5 adults; \$3 seniors/students/active military; \$10 family. For more information, visit their website at www.davenporthouse.org.

This Week in Rock Island Arsenal History – May 13-19:

On May 15, 1832, Black Hawk and his braves defeated state volunteer troops in a battle that has become locally known as Stillman's Run. This battle ended any opportunity for a peaceful settlement to the dispute. RIA began manufacturing .30 cal. Springfield rifles on May 18, 1904. This was the beginning of small arms production at the RIA.



Healthbeat



Military's Top Doctor Outlines Department's Efforts to Address Traumatic Brain Injury:

Recent reports have again shined an important spotlight on the challenges confronting thousands of service members with Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and the work being done in the military and



civilian community to meet the needs of all who sustain this invisible wound. The Department of Defense is committed to ensuring that every service member who is involved in a concussive event is provided with the health and services they need to aid in their recovery. Whether that is a minor follow up that meets the needs of most cases or extensive specialized care at one of our research facilities for the rare instances. ([More](#))

Make Sleep A Top Priority, Advises Expert: As a board-certified clinical psychologist with the Deployment Health Clinical Center at the Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health & Traumatic Brain Injury, Vladimir Nacev, Ph.D., has seen his share of patients suffering from sleep deprivation and disorders. While sleep problems used to be considered part of a patient's diagnosis, they are now recognized as a distinct entity that can exacerbate other conditions like post-traumatic stress disorder, anxiety and traumatic brain injury, says Nacev. "What this means is that if you successfully treat sleep disturbances or deprivation, you're setting the stage for better success in treatment adherence and in treating disorders like PTSD or TBI," he notes. ([More](#))

Health Clinic Announcement: Sick Call hours 7-8 a.m. Clinic closed Staff Meeting/Training **May 31** at 11:30 a.m. For any issues or concerns with the RIAHC clinic please call our customer support line (309) 782-0721.



Notes for Veterans



VA Opposes Veterans Health Equity Act, Jesse Tells Senators: The Veterans Affairs Department objects to legislation that would require it to have at least one full-service VA medical center in each of the 48 contiguous states because the VA has its own cost effective way of determining where hospitals should be located, VA Undersecretary for Health Robert L. Jesse said in a May 9 Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee hearing. The Veterans Health Equity Act (S.49), introduced by Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.), defines a full service medical center as a facility that provides medical services including, hospital care, emergency medical services and standard-level-complexity surgical care. Jesse said the legislation the department knows the best way to serve the patient population. ([More](#))

Agency Delays \$765 Million In Spending for U.S. Veterans' Care:

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs postponed purchases of cardiac monitors, radiological equipment and pain-medication pumps for patients last year. It didn't replace old surgical tools, oxygen-delivery systems or deteriorating operating-room stretchers. In all, the agency delayed more than \$765 million it was authorized to spend, affecting veterans' medical care in some cases, according to VA documents obtained through a Freedom of Information Act. The department, criticized by veterans for claims backlogs and bottlenecks in mental-health care, transferred the money into a holding account. It was the biggest amount deferred in at least 10 years and more than eight times the amount shifted to the fund two years earlier, the records show. ([More](#))

Veterans, Families Seeking Benefits From VA Are Dying for a Decision, Investigation Finds:

The backlog of initial and supplementary benefit claims at the Department of Veterans Affairs is expected soon to reach 1 million filings, forcing most honorably discharged GIs to wait for at least nine months for a decision. Though that glut of filings has captured the attention of Congress, a



Tribune-Review investigation found that veterans who disagree with a VA decision must wait far longer while their appeals percolate through the agency's internal courts — so long that many die while awaiting resolution of their disputes. ([More](#))

Carpooling Announcements

Submit carpooling announcements via the [Island Insight submission page](#). Please use that page to contact Garrison Public Affairs to take your announcement off once you have found a ride.

Carpool:

- **Carpool:** Looking for a ride and pay. Flexible work hours are to 6 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Call thru Illinois relay at (800) 526-0857 to contact me at (309) 782-1078 (TTY). Email: michael.r.braun.civ@mail.mil
- **Carpool:** Looking to join a carpool from around the Kewanee area. Current hours are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., but can change. Call me at (563) 782-1115.
- **Carpool:** New hire with flexible hours seeking to pay for ride from

Moline 9th & 53rd, (Franklin School area) (309) 757-5755.

Around the Q.C.



- May 17-18:** [All American Hickory Open](#) (Arsenal Island Golf Course)
- May 18:** [6th Annual Quad Cities Armed Forces Day Celebration](#) (Brady Street Stadium, Davenport)
- May 25:** [Quad Cities Cruisers Cruise-In](#) (SouthPark Mall, Moline)
- May 27:** [Quad Cities Criterium](#) (Downtown Rock Island)
- June 1:** [Mel Foster Color the Quads 5K](#) (Cumberland Square, Bettendorf)
- June 1-2:** [QC Pridefest 2013, Bursting With Pride](#) (Mary's on 2nd, 832 West 2nd Street, Davenport)
- June 7-8:** [Gumbo Ya Ya - Mardi Gras in The District](#) (The District, Rock Island)
- June 8:** [Quad-Cities Comic Book Convention](#) (Ramada Inn, Bettendorf)
- June 8:** [Quad Cities Cruisers Open Run Car Show](#) (SouthPark Mall, Moline)
- June 8:** [Ride for Life](#) (Women's Choice Center, 2711 Happy Joe Drive Bettendorf)
- June 12-15:** [Rally on the River](#) (Centennial Park, Davenport)
- June 14:** [Greek Cultural Festival](#) (Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, East Moline)
- June 15:** [Pioneer Living Day](#) (COL Davenport House)
- June 16:** [Ride the River Bike Ride](#) (Davenport to Moline)
- June 16:** [Ride the River Lunch Stop](#) (COL Davenport House)

- June 22:** [Royal Ball Run 5K and Fun Run for Autism](#) (Milan Community Center)
- June 22-23:** [27th Annual Quad City Air Show](#) (Davenport Municipal Airport)
- June 23:** [Blossoms at Butterworth](#) (Butterworth Center, Moline)
- June 24:** [YSB-Whitey Verstraete Memorial Golf Outing](#) (Pinnacle Country Club, Milan, Ill.)
- June 25-29:** [Rock Island County Fair](#) (Fairgrounds, East Moline)
- June 27-29:** [Antique Automobile Club of America Grand National Show](#) (John Deere Commons, Moline)
- July 3:** [Red, White & Boom!](#) (The District, Downtown Davenport)
- July 4-6:** [Mississippi Valley Blues Festival](#) (LeClaire Park, Davenport)
- July 5-6:** [North Scott Les Misérables](#) (North Scott High School Auditorium in Eldridge)
- July 8-14:** [John Deere Classic PGA Tour](#) (TPC Deere Run, Silvis)
- July 13:** [Quad Cities Cruisers Cruise-In](#) (SouthPark Mall, Moline)
- July 19-21:** [USA BMX National Championships](#) (East Moline BMX Speedway)
- July 19-20:** [Heartland Jam](#) (Centennial Park, Downtown Davenport)
- July 26-27:** [Downtown Street Fest](#) (Downtown Davenport)
- July 27:** [Bix 7 Run/Walk](#) (Downtown Davenport)
- July 30-Aug. 4:** [Great Mississippi Valley Fair](#) (Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds, Davenport)
- Aug. 1-4:** [Bix Beiderbecke Memorial Jazz Festival](#) (LeClaire Park and RiverCenter)
- Aug. 8-10:** [Tug Fest](#) (LeClaire, Iowa and Port Byron, Ill.)



Aug. 9-10: [Ya Maka My Weekend](#) (The District, Rock Island)
Aug. 10: [Quad Cities Cruisers Cruise-In](#) (SouthPark Mall, Moline)
Aug. 10-17: [ISC Men's Fastpitch World Tournament](#) (Greenvalley Sports Complex, Moline)
Aug. 16-17: [River Roots Live](#) (Downtown Davenport)
Aug. 17: [Floatzilla](#) (Sunset Marina, Rock Island)
Aug. 24: [Quad Cities Irish Festival](#) (Rock Island)
Aug. 22-25: [World Series of Drag Racing](#) (Cordova Dragway)
Aug. 31-Sept. 1: [Rock Island Grand Prix](#) (Downtown Rock Island)
Sept. 7: [Case Creek Obstacle Survival 5K Run](#) (Coal Valley, Ill.)
Sept. 7: [Quad City Symphony Riverfront Pops](#) (LeClaire Park, Downtown Davenport)
Sept. 7: [¡VIVA! Quad Cities](#) (Isle Casino Hotel Bettendorf)
Sept. 7-8: [Beaux Arts Fair](#) (Downtown Davenport)
Sept. 14: [Quad Cities Cruisers Cruise-In](#) (SouthPark Mall, Moline)
Sept. 21: [Brew Ha Ha](#) (LeClaire Park, Davenport)
Sept. 21: [Celtic Festival & Highland Games](#) (Centennial Park, Davenport)
Sept. 21-22: [Riverssance Festival of Fine Arts](#) (Village of East Davenport)
Sept. 22: [Quad Cities Marathon](#) (Downtown Moline)
Sept. 27-29: [Hot Air Balloon Festival](#) (Kennedy Square, East Moline)
Oct. 12: [Trinity Quad Cities Classic Regatta](#) (On the Mississippi River in Moline)
Oct. 12: [Quad Cities Cruisers Cruise-In](#) (SouthPark Mall, Moline)

Oct. 24: [Fright Night](#) (The District, Rock Island)
Oct. 26: [Witches Walk](#) (Downtown LeClaire)
Oct. 26: [Lagomarcino's Cocoa Beano 5K Race](#) (Sylvan Island)
Oct. 26-27: [Boo at the Zoo](#) (Niabi Zoo, Milan)
Nov. 15-24: [Quad City Arts Festival of Trees](#) (RiverCenter, Davenport)
Nov. 16: [Festival of Trees Parade](#) (Downtown Davenport)
Nov. 16: [Lighting on the John Deere Commons and Holiday Pops Concert](#) (Downtown Moline)
Dec. 1: [19th Century Christmas](#) (Butterworth Center, Moline)

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