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### Carbon Leaf

The Redstone Room

Wednesday, June 28, 8 p.m.



"Don't quit your day job" is a common rebuke to performers. I bet the members of Carbon Leaf - performing at Davenport's Redstone Room on Wednesday, June 28 - are grateful that they ignored that admonition. Described by the group's drummer, Scott Milstead, as "a 5-piece acoustic/electric/mandolin/rootsy/poppy rock band" - whew! - the Virginia natives did indeed quit their day jobs in 2002 after seven years together and, since performing full-time, have never looked back; their most recent album, *Indian Summer*, had *Music Box Online*'s T.J. Simon raving, "The album delivers so many magnificent moments that it's a difficult task to put a finger on any one favorite selection."

And in case you were wondering where the band's moniker originates from, Wikipedia reveals that although specifics are "murky," Carbon Leaf's Barry Privett and Terry Clark supposedly

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came up with the name - among several possibilities - during a rafting trip. It's definitely better than their other options: Where the Hell

*Are*

We? and Should We Be Worried That Kevin Bacon Is in the Raft Next to Us? For more information on Carbon Leaf, and future Redstone Room performers, visit (

<http://www.redstoneroom.com>

).

- **Mike Schulz**

### Rock 'n' Roll Party in the Streets

Racer's Edge

Saturday, July 1, 5 p.m.



Is anyone else ready to kiss this nutty June weather goodbye? Sunny one moment, rainy the next, with bursts of stifling humidity and that weekend that was downright *cold* ... . I'm *so* over it. Whether they meant to or not, East Moline's Racer's Edge tavern has timed its second annual summertime fiesta perfectly - what better way to ring in July, and bid adieu to our baffling June, than with a huge Rock 'n' Roll Party in the Streets? Beginning at 5 p.m. on July 1, food will be plentiful, drinks will be abundant, and Racer's Edge patrons will have license to dance outdoors to performances by Erra, Bent, Down 24, Smooth Kitty, and legendary rockers Quiet Riot.

Founded more than 30 years ago - amazing as that may seem - Quiet Riot helped spark the 1980s glam-metal scene, and their American debut album,

*Metal Health*

, was the very first heavy-metal album to reach number one on

*Billboard*

's pop charts. The group has certainly endured their share of unexpected hardships over the years, but let's see how they handle the unpredictability of our area's summer weather. For

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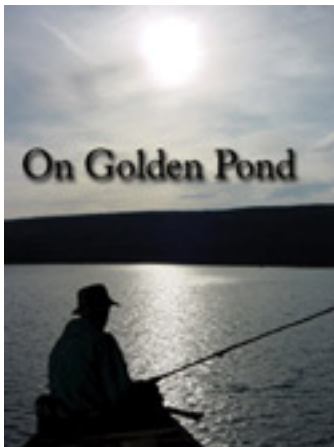
more information on the street party, call Racer's Edge at (309) 755-8131.

- **Mike Schulz**

### *On Golden Pond*

Circa '21 Dinner Playhouse

Friday, June 30, through Saturday, September 2



We recently took on a new intern - a really nice young man named Eric - and every time I overload him with grunt work I don't want to have to do myself, I think about the same line from *On Golden Pond*

: "What's the point of having a dwarf if he doesn't do chores

?" (It probably wouldn't make Eric

laugh, but I always get a kick out of it.) Beginning June 30, that line - and many other favorites from Ernest Thompson's comedy-drama - will be heard nightly at the Circa '21 Dinner Playhouse, when the theatre presents the stage version of

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, which returned to Broadway last year in a well-received revival, and served as the basis for 1981's beloved, Oscar-winning film. Directed by Circa '21 producer Dennis Hitchcock, and starring St. Ambrose University's Michael Kennedy, the play is subtly different from the movie - it would be kinda hard to power a speedboat across the stage - but the most memorable lines remain intact: "It's me, you old poop!", "Want to dance? Or would you rather just suck face?", and, of course, "The loons! The loons!" Of course, I say that

*every*

time I hang with the Circa staff. Ha

*ha*

!

I kid 'cause I love. For tickets, call the Circa '21 box office at (309) 786-2667 extension 2.

**- Mike Schulz**

## Iowa City Jazz Festival

Downtown Iowa City

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