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Chamber 2013 Networking Events – Everyone welcome to attend!

October 10 - Steventon's - 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Join us on the deck!

November – Faithful Pilot – date and time tbd

December 10 - Hungry Hobo - lunch – noon

HAVE YOU SEEN THE QC TIMES READER'S CHOICE AWARDS FOR 2013?!

Once again, LeClaire and our businesses are Winners!

Best Place to take out of town Guests – LeClaire!

These businesses won their category:

Best Gift Shop - Aunt Hattie's Fanciful Emporium

Best Place for a kid's Birthday Party - Happy Joe's

Runners-up in their category:

Best Pizza - Happy Joe's

Best Rueben - Bier Stube

Best Brewery - Mississippi River Distilling Company

These businesses were all Honorable Mentions in their category;

Best Chocolate - Grasshoppers

Best Fine Dining - Faithful Pilot and Steventon's

Best Locally Owned Restaurant and Best Meal - Crane and Pelican

Best Margaritas - Blue Iguana

Best Take-out - Hungry Hobo

Best live music - Wide River Winery

Best Summer Festival - TugFest

Best Accessories/Shoe Store - Aunt Hattie's Fanciful Emporium

Best Home Furnishing - Dwellings

Best New Car Dealership - Dahl Ford

Congratulations to all, and thank you for making LeClaire a WINNER!!!

CALENDAR

September 6th-22nd - The 2nd Annual East West Riverfest A 17-day celebration of the arts, culture and heritage offerings that thrive in the Quad Cities and along the Mississippi River. Over 380 events will take place at various theaters, music venues, galleries, historic sites, parks, libraries, and attractions on both sides of the river in the Quad Cities. Enjoy visual, literary and performing arts. Celebrate with world-class festivals and events. Visit exhibits, take

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a tour, ride on a riverboat, attend lectures, and participate in workshops. The entire East West Riverfest Event Guide can be viewed online at

eastwestriverfest.com

, or a printed guide is available at the

LeClaire Information Center,

122. N. Cody Road, or can be requested through the website to be sent by mail or by calling the Quad Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau at

[800-747-7800](tel:800-747-7800)

September 13th - Live Music at Wide River Winery 5-8pm featuring Danika Holmes -106 N. Cody Road www.wideriverwinery.com

September 14th - Silver Creek Order of the Eastern Star Swiss Steak Dinner Serving 4-7 p.m. SWISS STEAK DINNER WITH ALL THE FIXINGS, DESSERT AND BEVERAGE Adults - \$7.00 Children 3-12 - \$3.50 Serving at the Masonic Center dining room at 113 S. Cody Rd., LeClaire. Everyone is welcome!

September 16th – Economic Development Meeting, Great River Financial, postponed.

September 19th - LeClaire Information Center Celebrates One Year of Operation! Join us for our Open House & Volunteer Recognition!

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Since our Grand Opening on August 3rd

2012, the LeClaire Information Center has welcomed over 17,500 guests, including tourists, local residents, potential business owners and has provided information about local attractions, businesses, business opportunities, and other points of interest. Operated by the LeClaire Office of Tourism and located at 122. N. Cody Road, the Center is open Mon-Sat 10-4 and Sun noon-4. On Thursday, September 19th

from 4-6pm, the public is invited to an Open House celebrating our "First Anniversary." The event will include light refreshments and the opportunity to discover what the LIC offers residents and tourists. The festivities will conclude with a short program honoring our volunteers.

We are always looking for additional volunteers!

Plus, Pleasant Valley High School students (accompanied by a parent) can apply their volunteer hours to the school's "service learning" requirement for graduation. Training (for students and adults) only takes about an hour and volunteers are able to schedule hours through online scheduling software. Please contact Cindy Bruhn, LeClaire Tourism Manager, at

info@visitleclaire.com

or

[563-650-7963](tel:563-650-7963)

, or the LIC at

[563-289-4242, ext. 1135](tel:563-289-4242)

, if you are interested in volunteering or for more information.

September 20th - Live Music at Wide River Winery 5-8pm featuring 'Pieces of Candy' - 106 N. Cody Road www.wideriverwinery.com

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Olathea Golf Course - 9 am. \$60 dollars per person, 4 person best ball. Food, prizes, and supporting a great Cause. Please Call Olathea to sign up @ 563-289-(golf) 4653

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September 21st - Twilight Riverboat Dinner Cruise Sponsored by LeClaire Chamber of Commerce - Grandma Swain's Roast Beef Dinner - \$40 per person - Cash Bar - Board at 4:30pm - Cruise from 5-8pm - Tickets available at First Central State Bank, Vern Spring, or Dayle Hall - [563-340-0862](tel:563-340-0862) . Tickets still available!

September 25th – Workshop - Reassessing Risk in Your Portfolio 12:00pm. Eric Johannes, Charles Schwab, 5345 Elmore Ave #300, Davenport, IA 52807. Please R.S.V.P
[563-275-3659](tel:563-275-3659)

September 27th - Live Music at Wide River Winery 5-8pm featuring 'Patchy Fog' - 106 N. Cody Road
www.wideriverwinery.com

Save the Date

October 10th - The LeClaire Fire Department Annual Fire Prevention Open House at the Fire Station (corner of Jones and 15th) 6pm to 8pm. Please stop up and see the fire prevention

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posters designed by the students (K-4) from Bridgeview and Cody Schools. We will also have other interesting and informative displays, fire truck rides and they very popular LCFD popcorn!

October 13th - LeClaire Lions Club presents "Apple Fest on the River" 11:00am-4:00pm.

For vendor sign up and more information, email:

boehlb@hotmail.com

or call Bonnie,

[563-340-6332](tel:563-340-6332)

October 15th - Asbury United Methodist Church is hosting a "Partnering to EmPOWER"

fundraising event for Winnie's Place. ALL booth fees will go to Winnie's Place. Vendors will also agree to donate 9% of their sales to Winnies Place, which corresponds to the statistic that every 9 seconds, a woman is abused. Interested vendors are asked to contact Heidi Lubben at

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jlubben@aol.com

for more details.

October 16th – Buffalo Bill Museum and River Pilot's Pier – Fundraiser Dinner Crane and Pelican Café, 127 S. 2

nd

St., LeClaire. 5-6 pm Social Hour, 6:15 pm 3-course dinner. \$40 per person. Ghost story told with each course!

Reservations must be made by October 11.

Call

[563-289-5580](tel:563-289-5580)

for reservations and more information. Feel free to wear Civil War era period attire!

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FYI

The LeClaire Chamber Website and our Facebook page are currently being updated and revised. Watch for the new website to be up and running soon, visit us again soon on Facebook, and in the meantime, thank you for your patience! □

Buffalo Bill Museum is open until 5pm daily. Hours are 9am to 5pm Monday through Saturday, and on Sundays 12noon to 5pm. A reminder: group discounts are available for tour groups, clubs/reunions, and school groups. Call the museum at [563-289-5580](tel:563-289-5580) for details!

“LIKE” the LeClaire Chamber of Commerce on FaceBook Visit the chamber’s Face Book page and discover a great source of news, business announcements, events, and other information that is updated frequently. It’s a useful source of updated information for all members and non-members!

SERVING THE COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

Primitive Cottage is collecting food for the Princeton Presbyterian Church's Food Pantry which is in great need of food donations. They have helped alot of people, and now they need our help. Donations can be dropped off at Primitive Cottage in LeClaire. Please check the expiration date on items because anything that has expired can't be given away.

First Presbyterian Church of LeClaire Meals for Seniors at the church every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12 noon. Good food and a time to visit with others. Please call [563-289-3646](tel:563-289-3646) and make a reservation 2 days in advance.

LeClaire 2013 Events Calendar:

First Fridays each month 5:00-8:00 P.M.

October 6th - Dogtoberfest at Bier Stube

October 13th – AppleFest – vendors sign up now – see info above!

October 24th - HalloWine

October 26th - Witches Walk Costume Contest and Parade

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December 6-8 - Christmas in LeClaire

Family Nights at the LeClaire Rec Center: Details at www.leclairereccenter.com

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