

5-State Gathering
Friday, August 1 - Sunday, August 3, 2025
Mason City, Iowa

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The 5-State Gathering will be held Friday, August 1st to Sunday August 3rd at Mason City, Iowa. Iowa is looking forward to hosting our Sisters and Brothers from South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri. Dress is casual for all events. The Saturday evening meal will be at the Masonic Temple at 304 1st Street SE, Mason City.

A block of rooms is available at The Comfort Inn, 410 5th St., SW, Mason City. Phone number is 641-423-4444. Rooms are reserved under Eastern Star. Rooms must be reserved by July 18, 2025. Other hotels close by are: Holiday Inn, 3041 4th St SW, 641-424-1200 or Hampton Inn, 2111 4th St SW, 641-435-7500.

We will have welcome packets for you at the Comfort Inn on Friday. You will be free to tour Mason City and Clear Lake on your own Friday and Saturday. See the enclosed flyer. Friday evening you may go to the Temple for Bingo. Saturday evening we will meet at the Temple for a meet and greet at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. We are asking each Grand Jurisdiction to come with a skit or let us know what you are doing in your Jurisdiction.

We will conclude the evening with an Estarl Service.

Sandy Meredith
Worthy Grand Matron
Grand Chapter of Iowa
sandymeredith@ymail.com

MEAL RESERVATION - DEADLINE JULY 1, 2025

\$15.00 Registration fee per person

\$25.00 Meal per person

(catered by Rib Crib - pulled pork, chicken, 3 sides, brownie & drink)

TOTAL: _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

JURISDICTION: _____ TITLE: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail _____

Make Checks Payable to : Unity Chapter #58

Send form and payment to: Christa Guthrie

PO Box 1841

Mason City, IA 50402

YOUR GUIDE to experiences that can only be found in Mason City, Iowa



CHARLES H. MACNIDER ART MUSEUM



303 2nd Street SE

(641) 421-3666 | www.macniderart.org

Discover North Iowa's cultural gem, the MacNider Art Museum! Home to a renowned collection of American art, iconic Bil Baird puppets, and exceptional ceramics, it's a vibrant hub for creativity. Enjoy changing exhibits, engaging films, and a charming gift shop.

HOURS: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 9 AM-5 PM; Tuesday, Thursday 9 AM-8 PM
ADMISSION: Free for self-guided tour; \$5 per person for scheduled guided tour.



FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S HISTORIC PARK INN HOTEL

15 West State Street

Tour Info: (641) 423-0689

www.wrightonthepark.org

Tour the only remaining hotel designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Originally opened in 1910 as the City National Bank and Park Inn, the building now functions as a 27-room boutique hotel following its extensive \$20M restoration/rehabilitation, which was completed in 2011. Be sure to stop by the Wright on the Park Headquarters for exhibits and unique gifts, located on the first floor of the hotel.



TOURS: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday 11:30 AM & 1 PM; Saturday 11:30 AM. All other times by appointment. Advance reservations are encouraged. **ADMISSION:** \$15 per person.



FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S STOCKMAN HOUSE & ROBERT E. MCCOY ARCHITECTURAL INTERPRETIVE CENTER

530 1st Street NE

(641) 423-1923 | www.stockmanhouse.org

Designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and constructed in 1908, the Stockman House is the first Wright-designed Prairie School-style house in Iowa. Its open floor plan led to the floor plan of the modern American home. Tours begin at the adjacent Architectural Interpretive Center, which offers visitors a unique look at Mason City's Prairie School Homes in the Rock Crest-Rock Glen Historic District, as well as a gift shop of Wright-inspired items.

TOURS: May-October: Sunday 1 PM & 2 PM, Monday 10 AM & 11 AM, Wednesday 1 PM & 2 PM, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM & 2 PM. Closed Tuesdays. Listed tour times limited to 6-8 people on a "first come, first served" basis.

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to scheduled tour time.

ADMISSION: \$15 adults, \$5 youth ages 6-17 (not suitable for children under the age of 5).

RIVER CITY SCULPTURES ON PARADE



Various locations throughout Downtown
www.sculpturesonparade.com

River City Sculptures on Parade is an exciting exhibit of outdoor sculptures featuring works of artists from around the country. The 1.7-mile self-guided tour starts in downtown and loops through the cultural crescent, which includes historic architecture, art museum, public library, and The Music Man attractions.



THE MUSIC MAN SQUARE & MEREDITH WILLSON BOYHOOD HOME

308 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

(641) 424-2852 | www.themusicmansquare.org

Step into musical history at The Music Man Square, featuring a charming indoor 1912 streetscape with an ice cream parlor and gift shop, inspired by *The Music Man* movie sets. Explore the museum's Meredith Willson memorabilia and music exhibits, then tour his beautifully restored 1895 Queen Anne-style birthplace and boyhood home.



HOURS: Tuesday-Saturday 1 PM-5 PM

The last house tour begins at 3:30 PM. Visitors are encouraged to arrive no later than 4 PM for Museum and Streetscape tour. Ice Cream Parlor is open until 5 PM.

ADMISSION: \$10 adults, \$5 students (through age 18), children 6 & under are free.

PRAIRIE SCHOOL ARCHITECTURAL TOUR

Tour begins at 15 West State Street

(641) 423-0689 | www.wrightonthepark.org

Tour the largest collection of Prairie-style homes surrounding a natural setting. The Rock Crest-Rock Glen Historic District includes Frank Lloyd Wright's Stockman House and homes designed by former Wright associates including Marion Mahony Griffin, Walter Burley Griffin, Barry Byrne, William Drummond and Curtis Besinger.



HOURS: May-September; Friday-Sunday at 9 AM. Other times during season by appointment. For groups of 10 or more advance reservations are encouraged.



CANNONBALL 457

East Park, East State Street

(641) 423-5328 | www.friends-of-the-457.org

Built in 1912, this last remaining Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway steam locomotive – No. 457, the "Cannonball" – has been restored to reflect its appearance in the late 1920s. Surrounded by the Cannonball Gardens, the site also features a relaxing landscape of terraces and patios. The Educational Plaza tells stories of local railroad history and the Orphan Train.

HOURS: May-October; Saturday & Sunday 1 PM-4 PM. Other times by appointment.

ADMISSION: Free



KINNEY PIONEER MUSEUM

Municipal Airport; Hwy. 122 West

9184 265th Street, Clear Lake, IA

(641) 423-1258 | www.kinneypioneer museum.org

Take a step back in time and experience life on the Iowa frontier through the vintage exhibits and living history. Explore the pioneer village featuring a one-room schoolhouse, log cabin, jail, blacksmith shop and more.

HOURS: May-September, Tuesday-Saturday 1 PM-5 PM; Other times by appointment.

ADMISSION: \$6 adults, \$3 children 5-11, children 4 & under are free.



WHAT'S NEARBY IN CLEAR LAKE, IOWA

CLEAR LAKE

Iowa's third largest lake and one of the Midwest's most popular fishing destinations, Clear Lake is brimming with activity - on the beach and in the water. A popular site for boating, skiing, and swimming, the 3,600-acre glacial lake has depths to 25-feet and is open to fishing year-round. Clear Lake provides a diverse, healthy, & sustainable ecosystem thanks to ongoing rejuvenation efforts from the CLEAR Project, which has included dredging the west end of the lake. Types of fish: Walleye, Yellow Bass, Largemouth Bass, Crappies, Bluegills, Musky. The lake also offers several beaches and two state parks - **McIntosh Woods State Park** and **Clear Lake State Park**. Located on the lakefront, south of the central business district, **City Beach Park** provides a beach area for sunning, swimming, and water sports.



HISTORIC SURF BALLROOM & MUSEUM

460 N. Shore Drive • Clear Lake, IA
(641) 357-6151 | www.surfballroom.com

This beautifully restored and maintained National Historic Landmark holds a place in history as the final concert site of Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson and is one of the last remaining ballrooms in the Midwest.

HOURS: Monday-Friday 8 AM-4 PM; Memorial Day-Labor Day: Monday-Friday 8 AM-4 PM, Saturday 9 AM-1 PM, Sunday 1 PM-4 PM

ADMISSION: \$5 suggested donation



CENTRAL GARDENS OF NORTH IOWA



800 2nd Avenue North • Clear Lake, IA 50428
(641) 357-0700 | CentralGardensNorthIowa.com
Explore more than 20 themed gardens and nearly three acres of serenity and beauty. The splendor of the grounds and the vibrant programming offer a wonderful place to escape for peace and quiet, meet friends for lunch, and celebrate the wonders of nature.

HOURS: May-October, dawn to dusk. **ADMISSION:** Free for self-guided tour; \$1 per person for scheduled guided tour



LADY OF THE LAKE



City Seawall, Downtown Clear Lake
(641) 357-2243 | www.cruisedclearlake.com
Built in 1960 by Dubuque Boat & Boiler Works, the Lady of the Lake is one of the last remaining paddle boat ferries still in operation today. Come aboard and enjoy a relaxing lake excursion on beautiful Clear Lake! Catering available.



CLEAR LAKE FIRE MUSEUM

112 North 6th Street • Clear Lake, IA
(641) 357-2613 | www.clearlakefire.com

Resembling a 1920s fire station, visitors will step back in time to the early days of firefighting. Built by local volunteer firefighters, this museum—the first fire museum in the State of Iowa—houses a great collection of photographs, mementos and antique equipment. The community's own 1924 Ahrens Fox Pumper Engine—the "Rolls-Royce" of fire engines—is among the displays and exhibits. Located adjacent to the newly constructed fire station, the museum is within walking distance to the 9/11 Steel Memorial. This public display was crafted from an artifact salvaged from the World Trade Center after Sept. 11, 2001. It stands as a reminder of terror, a celebration of brotherhood, to tighten the bond of all who were touched that horrible day in 2001.

HOURS: Memorial Day-Labor Day; Saturday-Sunday 1 PM-4 PM
or by appointment. **ADMISSION:** Free will donation



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TRAVEL GUIDE



Visit Main Avenue - Clear Lake - Saturday, August 2, 2025



On Saturday, August 2, the Classic Car Show will be held downtown Clear Lake around City Park near the lake.

SHOP DOWNTOWN ON MAIN AVENUE



Unique Boutique - Women's clothing store with a unique variety of merchandise for every woman in your life! "Our passion is fashion!"
Monday - Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 415 Main Avenue, Clear Lake



Larson's Mercantile - Clear Lake's premier variety and gift store with a large craft & quilt department. 323 Main Avenue, Clear Lake



Ralphene's - Boutiques & Specialty Shops Antiques Clear Lake
Retail. 317 Main Avenue, Clear Lake

Cookies, etc.



Cookies, etc. – 10 am - 9 pm -
warm-from-the-oven cookies
217 Main Ave, Clear Lake

EAT DOWNTOWN ON MAIN AVENUE

Cabin Coffee – 303 Main Avenue, Clear Lake

Sevens Restaurant – 305 Main Avenue, Clear Lake

Rookies Sports Bar – 307 Main Avenue, Clear Lake

Starboard Market, 310 Main Avenue, Clear Lake

Tap'd Taphouse, 313 Main Avenue, Clear Lake



JOIN THE FUN

BINGO

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

Located At
Masonic Temple (Lower Level)
304 1st Street SE, Mason City

Every Friday Night – Bingo:

5:30 PM - Doors Open (Every Friday Night)
5:45 PM - Sales Start
6:30 PM - Early Bird Games Start With
An 18 Game Night

**Open to the Public –
Invite Your Friends & Family**

Sponsored By: Benevolence Bingo