

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2024

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY DAY

Join MidAmerican Energy Company on Opening Day and learn more about our commitment to renewable energy, the communities we serve and our Safety Through Asset Reliability – STAR – program that focuses on safety for everyone. Ask questions about our Destination Net Zero, our State Fair wind turbine, corporate citizenship and get your photo taken with Louie the Lightning Bug or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus.

Heroes' Day presented by Hot Spring Spas celebrates EMTs, Fire and Rescue, Police Officers and Paramedics for Opening Day of the Iowa State Fair. Special displays will be on Grand Avenue. Thank you to our Heroes in Police, Fire and Rescue and EMTs for all you do! Wear a shirt representing your hometown department in honor of those who serve our communities.

Iowans are invited to take a step forward for their health by taking a step back into Iowa State Fair history at the 10th Annual Historical Walking Tour hosted by the State Historical Society of Iowa and the Iowa Healthiest State Initiative on Thursday, August 8. This free walking tour begins at 8:15 a.m. on the Grand Concourse (near the Administration Building) and ends at the State Fair Opening Ceremonies. Guides will make multiple stops at historic sites along the 1K route.

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

No on-site ticket sales and no entry-re-entry allowed after 10 p.m.

SPECIAL SAVINGS

Monday-Thursday evenings: \$12 adult (ages 12 and up), \$8 child (ages 6-11) admission available at the gate Monday-Thursday evenings from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

THRILL PASS

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Pass at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Passes are not valid in Thrill Zone.

*Upon initial purchase of a Thrill Pass, a one-time \$1 fee is charged.

ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org

8 p.m. Lauren Daigle with special guest Blessing Offor (\$35, 40, 45, 55, 65)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart Radio

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

9 a.m. Twins, Triplets, and More Contest (registration 8:15 a.m.-9 a.m.)

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:15 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

5 p.m. The Little Mermen (Disney movie hits)

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Elwell Family Park

presented by Titan Tire, Maker of Goodyear Farm Tires with media partner WHO-The Big Show

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

10 a.m. Antique Tractor Pull (Free; gates open at 9 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, TJ Jenkins and Clint Henik

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: Make and Take T-Shirt Day

11:30 a.m. The Dollipops

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience

1:30 p.m. The Dollipops

2:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience

3:30 p.m. The Dollipops

4:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience

MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI 8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI 8 live news

8:30 a.m. Devine Dancers, Dance Studio

9:30 a.m. MADE Dance Studio, Urbandale

10:30 a.m. Vibes Dance Creations, Des Moines

11:30 a.m. Currie Dance Studio, Urbandale

1 p.m. Tropical Steel, Caribbean Steel Band

4:30 p.m. KCCI 8 News

8 p.m. The Family Stone

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center West Lawn

Outdoor entertainment, concessions

11 a.m. Flying Fools Dive Show

Noon iFlip trampoline show

2 p.m. Flying Fools Dive Show

3 p.m. iFlip trampoline show

5 p.m. Flying Fools Dive Show

6 p.m. iFlip trampoline show

Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni, one man band

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show

1 p.m. Bandaloni, one man band

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show

3 p.m. Bandaloni, one man band

3:30 p.m. The Illuminator

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show

5:30 p.m. The Illuminator

7:30 p.m. The Illuminator

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO 13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO 13 Hello Iowa show

8:30 a.m. The Dance Avenue, Des Moines

10:30 a.m. Justin Elliott Band, Boone

1 p.m. Chris Powell, Vocal, Des Moines

2 p.m. AT & Company Dance Studio, West Des Moines

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Queen Introductions

8 p.m. The Steel Woods

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Felix & Fingers Dueling Pianos

4 p.m. Cubbie Trivia & Music Bingo

7 p.m. Brittany Sword Band

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

5 p.m. Sadie Bass

8 p.m. Trey Lewis

Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. The Sinclairs

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Brian Herrin

4 p.m. Stark Raving Madge

8 p.m. Fahrenheit

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Kelsie James

2 p.m. Royce Johns

4:30 p.m. The Sheet

7:30 p.m. Tyler Richton & The High Bank Boys

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. The Flying Silos

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

10 a.m. FFA Beef Cattle Show: Breeding

Livestock Pavilion

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Dairy Cattle Show: Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Jersey

7 p.m. Super Bull Contest

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center

Horse shows; Vet Camp and Advanced Vet Camp sponsored by Agri-Pro Enterprises

9 a.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

9 a.m. 4-H Horse Show

1 p.m. FFA Horse Show

1:30 p.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

Sheep Barn

Sheep, Big Ram, Sheep Stop

8:30 a.m. FFA Sheep Show: Market and Carcass Lamb

9 a.m. Opening Ceremonies

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

9:30 a.m. Sheep Show: Corriedale

Noon Big Ram Contest

1 p.m. Sheep Show: Rambouillet

6 p.m. Wool Show

Swine Barn

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Swine, Big Boar, Pig Place, goats

8:30 a.m. FFA Swine Show: Purebred Market, Commercial Gilt and Registered Breeding

9 a.m. Pig Place

10 a.m. FFA Rabbit Show

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Northwest corner

1 p.m. Swine: Big Boar Contest

2 p.m. FFA Swine Show: Carcass Value

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Northwest corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Northwest corner

7:30 p.m. FFA Swine: Blue & Gold Gilt Sale

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: Leadership and Civic Engagement

10 a.m. 4-H Automotive Judging, Outside 4-H Exhibits Building

Noon Share the Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share the Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations, pop-up programs, aquariums

11 a.m. Iowa Turtles, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Farm Pond Management, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9:30 a.m. Build-A-Cake Judging, Room 1

9:30 a.m. Board Fun Judging, Room 2

9:30 a.m. Cinnamon Ridge Favorite Cheese Curds Judging, Room 3

9:30 a.m. Tammie's No Bake Desserts Judging, Room 4

10:30 a.m. Cinnamon Ridge Farms Amazing Ribs Judging, Room 3

11 a.m. Cake Takes the Gold(ie's) Judging, Rooms 1-2

11:30 a.m. How to Make a Championship Cake seminar, Eileen Gannon, Iowa State Fair Food Department winner

Noon Always Room for Dessert Judging, Room 3

1 p.m. Let's Have Tea Judging, Room 3

2:30 p.m. Best in Dough Judging, Room 1

2:30 p.m. Kids Chef Baking Championship Level 1 Judging, Room 3

3 p.m. Cooking with Wine! Judging, Room 2

3 p.m. Yeast Bread for Beginners seminar, Kay Fenton Smith, Co-Author of Baking Blue Ribbon Winners

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events; managed by Bondurant FFA

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

7 p.m. Wine Down in The Garden

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Heroes' Day Display

8:15 a.m. 10th Annual Historical Walking Tour, In Front of Administration Building

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

9 a.m. MidAmerican Energy Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, In Front of Service Center

11 a.m. Local 5 Live Broadcast, In Front of Administration Building

5 p.m. Local 5 Live Broadcast, In Front of Administration Building

5:30 p.m. Iowa Lottery Cash Fever Game Show, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Local 5 Live Broadcast, In Front of Administration Building

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Fair View Farmers Market (9 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

Iowa local products and produce, outside of Grandfather's Barn

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contests; working exhibits and displays; gas engine display; vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school); country antique market; blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines; Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines; 1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall; Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale; Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe; The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf & Traditional Hand Lettering plus Glue Chipping, John Parker, Carlisle; Antique Vehicle and Memorabilia Restoration, Higgy's Restoration, Leon; Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 8-11 and Aug. 15-17); Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities; Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10); Weaving on a Rigid Heddle Loom, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 16-18); Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging held Aug. 7; on display Aug. 8-18).

9:30 a.m. Peterson-Blanchard Spectacle Country, Folk and Rock Duo, Carlisle

10:30 a.m. Turkey Calling Contest

11 a.m. Duck Calling Contest

Noon Party of Four Men's A Cappella Quartet, Metro Area

1 p.m. Youth Rooster Crowing Contest

1:30 p.m. Ladies' Chicken Calling Contest

3 p.m. Saints and Sinners Country, Soft Rock and Old Time Dance Tunes, Des Moines

5 p.m. Line Dance Lessons by Norma Hatcher, Osceola

6:30 p.m. Tom Hofer and The Iowa Playboys, Traditional Country & Western Swing, Des Moines

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

11:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

1:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

3:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Farmers' Championship

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 10 and over)

1:30 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery); Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa Wine tasting and sales

Horse Barn

Horse exhibitors, Horse Haven

9 a.m. Horse Haven

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle, Super Bull, shopping, exhibits, Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Demonstrations by the ISU Dairy Science Club, Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

1 p.m. Demonstrations by the ISU Dairy Science Club, Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

4 p.m. Demonstrations by the ISU Dairy Science Club, Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture, horticulture displays, world-famous Butter Cow, egg-on-a-stick, gingerbread building display, shopping, Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9:15 a.m. Corn Creations & Soybean Creations Judging

9:15 a.m. Farm Crops Judging

9:15 a.m. Fruit Crops Judging

10 a.m. Floriculture Department Special Classes: Adult Seed Picture Judging

10 a.m. Junior and Intermediate Floriculture Shows

Noon Ice Carving by Bill Gordish, Front Lawn

Noon Floriculture Department Special Classes: Iowa Perennials, Color Division Judging

Noon Show Off Your Talent Flower Show

1 p.m. Living History Farms Parlor Games Demonstration, Stage

2 p.m. Learn about Bees and Honey, Iowa Honey Producers, Stage

3 p.m. Awards for Open Class Grain and Fruit, Stage

4 p.m. FFA Horticulture Awards Ceremony, Stage

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Warners' Stellan, Cambria Countertops and Iowa Farmers Union

Cooking demonstrations, tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook, East Room

11 a.m. Healthy You for Back to School - Produce Hacks to Reach 5-a-Day Goal; Hy-Vee Dietitians, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Choose Iowa with Delicious Lamb; Choose Iowa Wraps and Suman Hoque, HoQ Restaurant, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook, East Room

3 p.m. The Wurst Presentation: Tasting the History of Bratwurst; Farm Story Meats, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook, East Room

5 p.m. What are Fermented Foods and How Do I Eat Them?; Agri-Cultured Foods, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. Talk and Taste Series: Butter vs Oil in Cakes and Cookies; Glorious Desserts, The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Dr. Pepper, Gate 15

9 a.m. Firestone Ag Tires, Horse Barn

9 a.m. T-Mobile, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Budweiser Clydesdales; parade at 5 p.m., West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. Eli Lilly, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. United States Navy, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. United States Air Force, North of Elwell Family Food Center

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

9 a.m. 4-H Clothing Judging

5:30 p.m. 4-H Clothing Style Show

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits, photography, creative arts, woodworking, dollhouses, art demonstrations, Art Fair, artWORKS

9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor

9 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Candles, Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Wood Craft Demonstration, Caden Farms, 1st Floor

10 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. artWORKS ARTival, 3rd Floor

10 a.m. artWORKS: Balloon Sculptures by Twized Things, 3rd Floor

10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor

11 a.m. Digital Transfer Tumblers and T-shirts Demonstration, Joy's Gifts and Memories, 1st Floor

11 a.m. Wood Craft Demonstration, Caden Farms, 1st Floor

Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

Noon Wood Craft Demonstration, Caden Farms, 1st Floor

12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

1 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor

1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: John Jannenga, Drawing, Courtyard

1 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor

1 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor

1 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor

1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard

1:30 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

2 p.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor

2 p.m. Digital Transfer Tumblers and T-shirts Demonstration, Joy's Gifts and Memories, 1st Floor

- 2 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Debbie Simpson, Watercolor, Courtyard
- 4 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. artWORKS café, 3rd Floor
- 6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Digital Transfer Tumblers and T-shirts Demonstration, Joy's Gifts and Memories, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center, baby animals, ag-based children's educational center, Ag Art Contest display, Way We Live award winners display; managed by Southeast Polk FFA

1 p.m. 2024 Farmers Series Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2024 Farmers Series Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid, ATMs, telephones, Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store, Calming Room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions

9 a.m. Straw Sculpture Selfie Park by Brian Sobaski, Behind Reichardt Family Giant Slide

9 a.m. Farm Bureau Free Games and Prizes

11 a.m. Walking Rover Straw Sculpture by Brian Sobaski, Near Reichardt Family Giant Slide

1 p.m. Walking Rover Straw Sculpture by Brian Sobaski, Near Reichardt Family Giant Slide

4 p.m. Walking Rover Straw Sculpture by Brian Sobaski, Near Reichardt Family Giant Slide

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Ticket Office/Will-Call

Located on the Administration Building Porch or Grandstand box office located west end of Grandstand; open until 9 p.m.

9 a.m. Ticket Window at Administration Building

4 p.m. Grandstand box office

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Demonstration, Val Newman

1 p.m. Trimming Pottery, Val Newman

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Exhibits, competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes, Iowa Food and Family Project, shopping, Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Daily Q & A Chat with the Iowa DOT

9 a.m. Blocks of the Fair Sewing Class (\$), 1st Floor, Room A

10:30 a.m. Tote Bag Sewing Class with Off the Rails Quilting (\$), 2nd Floor

2 p.m. Kitchen Scarf Sewing Class with Off the Rails Quilting (\$), 2nd Floor

3 p.m. Hexagon Panel Quilts Sewing Class, 1st Floor, Room A

Grounds Hours

- 8 a.m. to midnight

No entry/re-entry or on-site ticket sales allowed after 10 p.m.

Building Hours

- 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (Some building and exhibit hours may vary.)