

SEPT. EVENTS continued from previous page**22-BELOIT**

Annual Oktoberfest: The Downtown Beloit Association is bringing back Oktoberfest. Dancing, cold beer, live music all night. Admission \$5 for adults, \$1 for children ages 4-11 and free for kids younger than 4 years old. 5:30-11 p.m. State Street, downtown. 608-365-0150, www.downtownbeloit.com

23-EVANSVILLE

Oktoberfest: Beer festival with great flavor and themes. Featured are almost 70 different beers from nearly 50 breweries around the world, with an emphasis on Midwest craft breweries. Local restaurants and caterers present signature dishes, all with an Oktoberfest flavor. Door prizes, raffles and a silent auction with proceeds supporting local causes. Main event 7-10 p.m. VIP event 6-7 p.m. Creekside Place, 102 Maple St. 608-882-0407, www.creeksideplace.org

23-MONROE

Green County Fall National Tractor and Truck Pull: Badger State Tractor Pullers, with categories for Limited Prostock, Light Limited Super Stock, Prostocks, 466 Hotfarm, Unlimited Super stock, 640 Profarm, TWD Mod trucks, Super Stock diesel trucks, mini rods. Food stands. Evening band starts at 8 p.m. Proceeds from ticket sales donated back to various area charitable causes. Fairgrounds, 2600 10th St. 608-558-2316, www.greencountyfallnationals.com

24-HORICON

Art on the Marsh: Features Chamber Food Stand selling Leroy Meats, the Horicon High School Pep Band mini concert, Jeff Pockat, the Gaelic Harpist, the Community Voice Concert and the opportunity to buy arts and crafts from the festival's faithful vendors. Free admission. Discher Park, 600 N Cedar St. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. 920-485-3200, www.horiconchamber.com

24-CAMBRIDGE

Barktoberfest: Free and fun canine festival and party for you and your dog(s). The festival includes vendors, rescue groups, dog demos, a demonstration of lure coursing, costume and trick contests with great prizes, food and more. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. "Yappy Hour," 3-5 p.m. West Side Park, Cambridge. 608-345-8821, www.cambridgewi.com

24-MADISON

Zoo Run Run and Kids Roo Run Run: Hundreds of local runners and families will attend to run and walk for the Henry Vilas Zoo. There is a 5k and 10k run and a 5k walk. Kids participating in the Roo Run Run can choose between a quarter mile, half mile, or a full mile run. 702 S. Randall Ave. Race starts at 9 a.m. 608-258-9490, www.vilaszo.org

26-27-RURAL MILTON

Lobster Boil at Buckhorn Supper Club: On Lake Koshkonong, 11802 N. Charley Bluff Rd. 608-868-2653, www.thebuckhorn.net

28-Oct. 12-MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee Film Festival: The festival will screen more than 150 of the world's top films in three city venues. Starting at Oriental Theatre, 2230 N. Farwell Ave. 414-755-1965 ext. 204, mkfilm.org

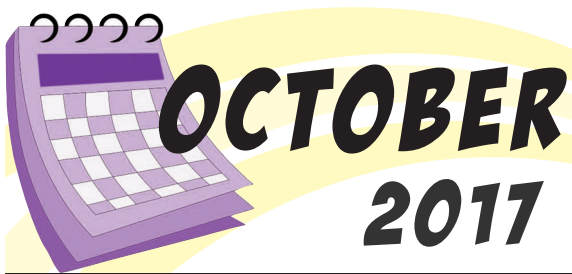
29-30-FORT ATKINSON

Lorine Niedecker Wisconsin Poetry Festival: Offers a weekend of workshops, speakers, open poetry readings, round tables, landmark tours and the infamous writers cafe. The festival is in honor of local Fort Atkinson poet Lorine Niedecker (1903-1970), a twentieth-century, second-wave, Modern American poet

often identified with the Objectivists. Living most of her life on the shores of the Rock River near Fort Atkinson, Wis., she is perhaps best known as a poet of place who wrote about the Blackhawk Island that she loved. Numerous locations, including Dwight Foster Public Library (209 Merchants Ave.), Hoard Historical Museum (401 Whitewater Ave.), Cafe Carpe (18 S. Water St. West), Fort Atkinson Club (211 S. Water St. East), and Fort Farmers Market (S. Water St. East). 920-563-7790, www.lorineniedecker.org

30-WHITEWATER

The Fall Color Biking Festival: This annual mountain bike event held at the John Muir trails features fun-filled activities for the entire family. There's a children's ride and a children's activity tent. A mountain bike clinic presents tips on proper riding skills and trail fixes. This is the only event that raises money for trail maintenance and future trail development in the Southern Kettle Moraine. John Muir Trailhead, County Road H, Whitewater. 262-495-8600, www.fallcolorfestival.org

**1-Lake Mills**

Lake Mills Fall Festival of Color: Downtown Commons Park, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. More than 130 vendors selling pumpkins, gourds, mums, crafts, artwork and jewelry. There will be games for kids, face painting and more. A large variety of food vendors can also be found in the park. All are nonprofit organizations from the area. 920-648-3585, www.lakemills.org

3-7-MADISON

World Dairy Expo: No dairy event in the world compares to this event, a showcase for elite dairy cattle, cutting edge research and modern technologies. Among the many products, demonstrations, seminars and cattle judging, you can also find some great food and souvenirs. Alliant Energy Center, 1919 Alliant Energy Center Way. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 608-224-6455, www.worlddairyexpo.com

6-8-RICHLAND CENTER

Center Color Fest: A celebration of Fall colors throughout Richland Center and Richland County. Downtown merchants will have various activities, including food, sales, music and entertainment, city-wide garage sales Friday and Saturday. Tour scenic country roads while stopping at the orchard and winery. The Wheels of Time Truck and Tractor Show will take place all weekend too. On Saturday evening the weekend's events are highlighted by the Canyon of Lights Parade in downtown Richland Center at 7 p.m. 608-647-3466, www.richlandcentertourism.com

6-8-NORTH FREEDOM

Autumn Color Train Rides Amid Brilliant Hues of Fall: Come and ride the train and enjoy the beautiful hues of autumn in scenic Sauk County. Take the 55-minute ride in vintage cars built in 1915. Trains depart Friday at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.; Saturday at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; and Sunday at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 pm and 2:30 p.m. First class service is available Saturday and Sunday at 11:20 a.m. and 1:10 p.m. Dinner train runs Saturday

evenings at 5:30 p.m. Mid-Continent Railway Museum & Gift Shop, E8948 Museum Rd. 608-522-4261, www.midcontinent.org

7-BRODHEAD

AutumnFest: Community celebration with farmers/craft market, food, chili contest, children's activities and costume parade, live music, hayrides, sidewalk sales with downtown merchants and other vendors. Also pontoon boat rides. Downtown Square. 608-897-8411, www.cityofbrodheadwi.us/visitors/chamber_of_commerce/index.php

7-8-MOUNT HOREB

Fall Heritage Festival: Experience Norwegian heritage with arts and crafts, heritage demonstrations, farmers' market, buggy rides, quilt show, and food. Also, a Host Frokost (Norwegian fall breakfast presented by the Sons of Norway) and a mini tractor pull. Hundreds of fine artists and crafters line "The Trollway," Mount Horeb's historic Main Street, lined with life-sized mythical creatures. Watch for Jorgen the town troll. Saturday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., downtown. 608-437-5914, www.trollway.com

8-NEW GLARUS

Swiss Historical Village Harvest Fest: Connect with 19th century Swiss immigrant life where daily routines and responsibilities of the past—cheese making, blacksmithing, yarn spinning, basket weaving—are re-created. Enjoy a Swiss brätzeli cookie-making demonstration. Talk to Civil War re-enactors, the "Bee Man," a wheelwright and a sausage maker. Visit a one-room schoolhouse. Also enjoy the live music. Swiss Village, 612 7th Ave., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. 608-527-2317, www.swisshistoricalvillage.org

13-14-WISCONSIN DELLS

Dells On Tap Weekend: With fall's colors as a backdrop, an entire weekend devoted to craft beer. Sample some of the best seasonal microbrews the Midwest has to offer at Dells On Tap (Saturday) and the Dells Craft Beer Walk (Friday). 200 La Crosse St. 800-223-3557, www.wisdells.com

14-BARABOO

Fall Festival at Durward's Glen: Guided tractor tours of our historic grounds, flea market, artists and other vendors. Food and refreshments available on the grounds. This event is free. Donations welcomed. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Durward's Glen, W11876 McLeisch Rd. 608-356-8113, www.durwardsglen.org

14-KENOSHA

Fall Festival in Library Park: Features entertainment and activities including children's crafts and games. Ties in with Second Saturday events in downtown Kenosha. Library Park, 711 59th Place. 262-653-4177, www.kenosha.org

20-21, 27—CEDARBURG

Gothic History Tours: The 90-minute docent-led walking tours begin and end at the Cedarburg Cultural Center with stops at mysterious sites in downtown Cedarburg's National Historic District and the Zur Ruhe Cemetery. 7 p.m., Cedarburg Cultural Center, W62 N546 Washington Ave. 262-377-5856, www.cedarburgculturalcenter.org

21-ELKHORN

Elkhorn Oktoberfest: More than 100 crafters and vendors, classic car show (11 a.m.-3 p.m.), kids activities, food vendors, chili cook-off (11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.), wine and beer tasting tent (11 a.m.-5 p.m.) and live entertainment (9 a.m.-5 p.m.). Veterans Park-Downtown Square, 100 W. Walworth St., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 262-723-5788, www.elkhornchamber.com

21-KENOSHA

Kenosha History Center Chili Cook-Off: Enjoy and vote for the best chili while enjoying music and a cash bar. All proceeds benefit the Kenosha County History. 6-9 p.m. Kenosha History Center, 220 51st Place. 262-654-5770, www.kenoshahistorycenter.org

25-RURAL MILTON

Lobster Boil with costume party at Buckhorn Supper Club: On Lake Koshkonong, 11802 N. Charley Bluff Rd. 608-868-2653, www.thebuckhorn.net

28-RACINE

Boo at the Zoo: Features trick or treating, crafts and activities. Children and parents are invited to visit different stations featuring candy giveaways and crafts, as well as animal artifacts from the Racine Zoo's education department. Participants are encouraged to wear costumes and bring trick or treat bags. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Racine Zoo, 2131 N. Main St. 262-636-9189, www.racinezoo.org

28-BELLEVILLE

UFO Day: Craft fair, Fun Run, parade, kids costume contest, monster costume ball and kids' games. Library Park. 608-438-4472, www.belleville-wi.com

28-29-CAMBRIDGE, FORT ATKINSON, LAKE MILLS, JOHNSON CREEK, JEFFERSON

Earth, Wood & Fire Artists Tour: Drive the countryside to visit artist studios allowing you hands-on one-on-one opportunities to meet, mingle and learn about the art being created in rural South Central Wisconsin. A driving tour of over 20 selected fine arts and craft studios. Various locations, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 608-423-4507, www.earthwoodandfiretour.com



Engulfed by color, a group of people hike in Timm's Hill County Park. Timm's Hill, near Ogema, is the highest point in Wisconsin—1,951 feet above sea level. Enjoy the spectacular scenery of Wisconsin in the fall. (Photo by Glenn Sanderson courtesy of the Wisconsin Department of Tourism)