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slide and check out the complete burger memorabilia collection at the Seymour Community Museum. Events also include a car show, motorcycle charity ride, bun run, kid's activities, parade (Saturday at 11 a.m.) and live music. Hot air balloons will ascend around 6 p.m. both Friday and Saturday evenings with a balloon glow to follow at dusk each night. Admission fee for fest, balloon rally free. Check website to confirm information. 129 Depot St. 920-833-6688, www.homeofthehamburger.org

10-11-WEST BEND

West Bend \$1,000 Cache Bash: West Bend is known as the "Geocaching Capital of the Midwest." Find the event at www.geocaching.com. Geocaching is a year-round, outdoor treasure hunting game using a handheld GPS unit, that is fun for all ages. West Bend has become a hot spot for Geocachers with nearly 1,400 caches located within a 10-mile radius with 50-plus new ones being added specifically for this event. Regner Park. 262-338-2666, www.visitwestbend.com/geocaching/

10-12-BRODHEAD

Covered Bridge Days and Wildflower Art Festival: The festival features native plant tours and educational programs as well as a juried, high-quality art festival in downtown Veterans Park; the exploration of the historic Mill Race by pontoon boat at the "Embrace the Race" event; and a regional garden tractor expo that brings hundreds of vintage and refurbished garden tractors to town. Among the many long-standing Covered Bridge Days activities are a kids' fun run, garden displays, tractor show with a threshere and tractor pull, horse show with pony rides, toy tractor pull, flea market, vendors on the square, Model A antique car display and classic car show, historical tours, volleyball and softball tournaments, a street dance, a parade, food stands and beer gardens. Downtown Square and south Brodhead. Check website to confirm details. 608-897-8411, 608-558-1967 (art festival), www.cityofbrodheadwi.us

11-MADISON

Great Taste of the Midwest: One of the premier beer festivals in the United States. Over one hundred brewpubs and microbreweries from the midwest come to Olin Park (1156 Olin-Turville Ct.) overlooking Lake Monona in Madison to share beer and good times with 6,000 patrons. 1-6 p.m. 608-255-2537, www.great-taste.org

11-12-LAKE GENEVA

Art in the Park: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Flat Iron Park on the shore of Geneva Lake. AITP is a juried show that spotlights original fine art from approximately 100 artists from throughout the United States. The event will also feature a silent auction, live entertainment, food and beverage and a children's activity tent. 262-729-5225, www.genevalakeartsfoundation.org

11-12-MILWAUKEE

Morning Glory Fine Craft Fair: Features 130 fine craft artists exhibiting media in ceramics, glass, leather, wood, photography, jewelry, fiber, enamel, handmade paper, metal and mixed media. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Marcus Center for the Performing Arts, 929 N Water St. 414-273-7206, www.morninggloryfinecraftfair.com

15-19-LAKE GENEVA

Venetian Festival: Five day festival featuring a carnival, craft fair (Saturday/Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.), water ski show, musical entertainment, local cuisine and on Sunday the festival's traditional lighted boat parade followed by a fireworks display high above Geneva Lake. Wednesday-Friday 5 p.m.-midnight, Saturday and Sunday noon-midnight. Library Park/Flat Iron Park, Main Street. 262-215-9112, www.lakegenevajaycees.org

16-19-MILWAUKEE

Irish Fest: The nation's largest Irish Festival celebrates Irish music, dance, culture, sports and cuisine. More than 300 entertainers on 17 stages, children's activities, Irish wares. Henry Maier Festival Park, 200 N. Harbor Dr. Thursday, 5-10 p.m.; Friday, 4 p.m.-midnight; Saturday, noon-midnight; and Sunday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. 414-476-3378, www.irishfest.com

16-19-FOND DU LAC

Warbirds and Classics Over the Midwest: Check out Fond du Lac's "Miniature EAA" and experience the biggest and best radio controlled airplanes from all over the US and Canada. Bring the family and see jets flying at 200 MPH. You'll also see giant scale models with wingspans over 15 feet flown by some of the best R/C pilots in the country. Wellnitz Field, N4841 Hickory Rd., 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 920-907-6159, www.midwestwarbirds.com

16-19-SUN PRAIRIE

Sweet Corn Festival: Festival begins with a parade down Main Street on Thursday evening. Events include craft show, carnival rides, concessions, family stage, beer tent with live bands, kiddie korner activities, petting zoo, tractor pulls and lots of sweet corn on Saturday and Sunday. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday, 6 p.m. to midnight; Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to midnight; and Sunday, 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Angell Park, 100 Park St. 608-837-4547, www.sunprairiechamber.com

16-19-MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee A la Carte: The zoo's annual food and



The Rock River Cannonball will roll once again at the 62nd Rock River Threshere over Labor Day weekend. Left: At last year's Threshere, the Rock River Cannonball steam locomotive is checked over just prior to the initial running of the passenger train one morning at last year's Rock River Threshere. Right: Coal is shoveled into the engine's firebox during the ride. (Photos by Jason Francis)

music "feast with the beasts." More than 25 area restaurants provide the feast, plus four entertainment stages. Bring your appetite and your dancing shoes. Milwaukee County Zoo, 10001 W. Bluemound Rd., 414-256-5412, www.milwaukeezoo.org

18-STOUGHTON

Coffee Break Festival: Small town fun in the place where the coffee break was born. Sample coffee from a host of coffee vendors, check out the art and craft show, car show, children's activities, music, food and beer. Also participate in the 1-mile or 5k run. Mandt Park, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 608-205-3182, www.stoughtonwi.com

18-FITCHBURG

Agora Art Fair: Featuring more than 100 local Wisconsin artisans in a variety of mediums exhibiting and selling their creations, live music, Wisconsin Craft Brewery Beer & Wine Garden, food pavilion and Children's Art Yard. Paintings, photography, jewelry, mixed media, pottery, glass, fiber, wood, graphics, printmaking and sculptures. The Agora, 5500 E. Cheryl Parkway. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 608-277-2606, www.agoraartfair.com

19-JANESVILLE

Riverside Music Festival and Chicken Roast: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Riverside Park, North Pavilion, 2200 Parkside Dr. The all-day event will feature three main stage musical groups sponsored by the Friends of Riverside Park, a wine and beer tent, shuffleboard games and family fun activities. The Janesville Noon Lions will be offering roasted chicken dinners. Rain or shine. 608-752-2676, www.janesvillenoonlions.org/chicken-roast

19-MILTON

Milton House Museum's Arts and Crafts on the Lawn Fair: More than 100 vendors of authentic arts and crafts offer their wares to the approximately 10,000 people that attend the event each year. Ice cream social, discounted museum tours, craft raffle, Lions Club Car Show, dunk tank, non-profit food booths and country store. Held in conjunction with the Milton Chamber's Chicken BBQ. 18 S. Janesville St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 608-868-7772, www.miltonhouse.org

19-RACINE

Racine Zoo Classic Car, Truck and Bike Show: From old to new, mild to wild, this car and motorcycle show is one of the best attended in southeast Wisconsin. Food, fun and classics for all to enjoy and admire. Racine Zoological Gardens, 2131 N. Main St. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 262-636-9189, www.racinezoo.org

24-26-MILWAUKEE

Mexican Fiesta: Mexican Fiesta is a cultural foundation concentrating on providing education and cultural events for the growing Hispanic community honoring culture, tradition and family. Share in the beauty of Mexico's rich history, art, music and food. Henry Maier Festival Park, 200 N. Harbor Dr. Noon to midnight. 414-383-7066, www.mexicanfiesta.org

24-26-MIDDLETON

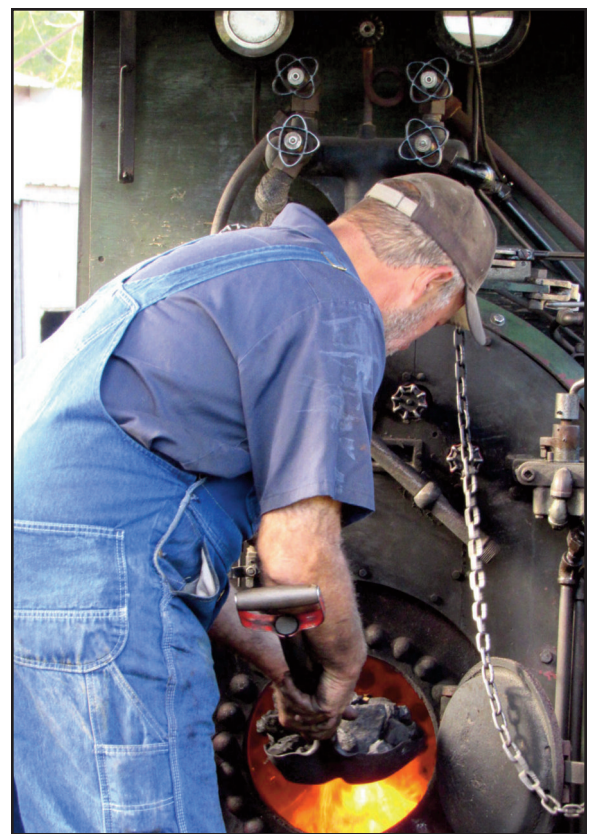
Good Neighbor Festival: Delicious foods, 5k run/walk, a midway with rides and games, parade, live entertainment and more. Firemen's Park, 7400 Lee St., Middleton. 608-831-6350, goodneighborfestival.com

24-MONROE

Cars on the Square: Historic Downtown Courthouse Square, 1016 16th Ave., 4-9 p.m. Classic cars on display, prizes, food. 608-328-4023, www.mainstreetmonroe.org

25-FORT ATKINSON

Rhythm on the River: Live music, food, and fun for all



ages on the riverwalk in downtown Fort Atkinson. Start your night with a "Taste of Fort" featuring everything from cheese curds to cupcakes from local food vendors. Dance the night away to the sounds of live bands. Free admission to the public. 5-11 p.m. 920-563-3210, www.fortchamber.com

25-POTOSI

Potosi Brewfest: Includes samples from more than 60 vendors of craft beer, wine, specialty meats and cheeses. Try your hand at the Beer Stein Holding contest or enjoy music, all in the beautiful setting of the Holiday Gardens across from the historic Potosi Brewery. Holiday Gardens Event Center, 109 Main St. 1-5 p.m. both days. 608-763-4002, www.potosibrewery.com

25-PALMYRA

American Legion Horse Pull and Pancake Breakfast: Craft fair/flea market and horse pull contests. Breakfast starts at 7 a.m. Village Park 262-495-2632, www.villageofpalmyra.com

28-29-RURAL MILTON

Lobster Boil at Buckhorn Supper Club: Advance reservations and payment required. Space is limited. Bar opens at 5 p.m., boil-over and dinner at 6:30 p.m. On Lake Koshkonong, 11802 N. Charley Bluff Rd. 608-868-2653, www.thebuckhorn.net

29-Sept. 3-ELKHORN

Walworth County Fair: One of the oldest fairs in the state, the Walworth County Fair was established in 1849. Livestock judging, exhibits, carnival rides, concessions, harness racing, tractor and truck pulls, demolition derby and free grandstand shows. Walworth County Fairgrounds, 411 Court St. 7 a.m.-11 p.m. Midway open noon-11 p.m. daily, except on Labor Day (11 a.m.-8 p.m.) 262-723-3228, www.walworthcountyfair.com

29-Sept. 3-MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee Rally: All motorcycles and riders are welcome. Poker run, hundreds of vendors, non-stop entertainment, hottest bikes, scenic road trips, and hometown hospitality. Harley-Davidson Dealers in Milwaukee. 800-241-1340, www.milwaukee rally.com

31-Sept. 2-NEW GLARUS

Wilhelm Tell Festival: Highlights include the Wilhelm Tell Pageant (Saturday), Swiss music, yodeling contest, parade (Saturday morning), Art in the Park (Sunday), and children's lantern parade (Friday evening). Share with your family the story of Swiss independence, written by German playwright Friedrich Schiller. It's a live theater presentation with intricate costumes and a lively cast that includes goats, cows and horses. More than 200 local volunteers join to make each colorful performance come to life. Wilhelm Tell Grounds, W5199 Cty. Rd. W. 608-527-2095, www.wilhelmtell.org

31-Sept. 2-WAUKESHA

Wisconsin Highland Games: Scottish and Irish athletics, rugby tournament, Highland dancing, pipe and drum competition, kids' area, cultural area, pub tent, live music all day, demonstrations, workshops, animals, parades, food and more. Pub tent open late with live music Saturday and Sunday. Waukesha Expo Center, 1000 Northview Rd. Friday, 5-10 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. 262-548-7200, www.wisconsinhighland.org

31-3-RURAL EDGERTON

62nd Annual Rock River Threshere Reunion: This annual living history festival features working antique steam engines and equipment demonstrations in the 200 acre park. Take a train ride on the Rock River Cannonball and watch an operating saw mill and pile driver.

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