

**Sept. 16-18 Mississippi Valley Vintage Car Expo**

Call the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds at 673-7004.

**September 17 Sound Sensation**

The High School Marching Band Competition will be held at the football stadium on North 1st Street, beginning at 7 pm. Call the High School Music Dept. at 673-3407.

**September 17 Nelson Pioneer Fall Festival**

Tour a complete pioneer farm community and museum building located 2 miles east of Highway 63 N. , 9:30 am - 4:00 pm, at this annual event including country dinner, horse-drawn vehicles, vintage cars, parade, old-fashioned fiddling contest and over 30 craftsmen demonstrating pioneer skills. Admission: \$5 Adults. Call the Mahaska County Historical Society, 641/672-2989.

**September 24 Demolition Derby**

Afternoon event at the So. Iowa Fairgrounds, 673-7004.

**September 25 Legacy Five with Freedom Singers**

The 3 hour performance will be held at the Pella Christian High Auditorium beginning at 2:00 pm. For ticket information contact Cindy at 641/660-0443.

**September TBA Rotary Barbeque**

At Penn Mall parking lot, 3:30 - 7 pm. For more information contact 672-2591.

**September TBA Oskaloosa High School Homecoming**

Parade Thursday at 6:30. Football Friday.

**October 8 Final Day at Nelson Pioneer Farm**

Call 672-2989.

**October 8 Kidtoberfest**

Kids' & families' festival at the Penn Central Mall, from 10 am - 3 pm. Call ISU Extension Office at 673-5841.

**October 8 Ultimate Boxing**

At Southern Iowa Fairgrounds, 673-7400.

**October 13-15 AAUW Book Sale**

Penn Central Mall 673-9414 or Diane at 673-7864. Donated books may be brought to SHARE IOWA.

**October 14 & 15 USRA Fall Challenge**

Races at the Southern Iowa Speedway. For more information call 641.673.7004.

**October 16 CROP Walk**

Contact Hans Cornelder at 673-9389.

**October 23 Great Adventure Gospel Band - David & Kris Garms Family**

This will be held at the 1st Christian Church in Oskaloosa at 10:00 am. Free will offering. Call Cindy at 641/660-0443.

**October 27 Main Street's Trick or Treat Parade**

Costumed children parade around the downtown square and Penn Central Mall. Bandstand at 4 pm, 672-2591.

**October 29 William Penn Homecoming**

Contact the University at 673-1001.

**October 31 City-wide Trick or Treat**

Hours for city-wide trick or treat are 6 - 8 p.m.

**November 19 Penn Central Railroad Club Open House**

Train display in Mall from 9 am to 3 pm, call 673-9414.

**November 19 Triumphant Quartet**

The gospel performance will be held at Pella Christian High School, 6:30 pm. Contact the Cindy at 641/660-0443.

**November TBA Sports Card Show**

Center Court of Penn Central Mall, 673-9414.

**November 26 Oskaloosa Christmas Walk**

Christmas shopping specials all throughout Oskaloosa. Awesome doorprizes, specials, gift wrapping and more! Call Chamber for more information at 672-2591.

**November 28 Crowning of Young Ambassadors**

Main Street presents the crowning of Oskaloosa's Young Ambassadors. The event is held at Penn Central Mall at 6:00 pm. Call OACDG, 672-2591.

**Dec. 1 & 2 Main Street Lighted Christmas Parade**

This unusual, evening lighted parade, voted #1 Holiday Event in the state by Main Street Iowa, entertains thousands as it winds through beautifully decorated Oskaloosa. Parade starts at 7 pm. To enter or for more info, contact Main Street Oskaloosa at 672-2591.

**December 1 & 2 Live Christian Music**

Evangelical Committee sponsors gospel concerts prior to Parade each night from 5:30 - 6:30 pm at the Penn Central Mall.

**December TBA Penn Central Railroad Club Open House**

Trains will be running from 5 - 7 pm in the Mall prior to the parade. Open to the public at no charge.

**December 2 Holiday Style Show & Luncheon**

Event will be held from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Various merchants will be modeling the latest fashions. Call the OACDG at 672-2591.

**December 3 St. John Lutheran Church Bazaar**

The bazaar will be from 8:30 am -1pm with brunch and/or coffee being served. Call the church, 2370 Merino Ave. at 673-6546.

**December 4 Tour of Homes**

Enjoy home tours and a Christmas display. Sponsored by Osk. Area Assoc. of Churches. More info call Merle Mann, 673-7740.

**December 4 (tentative date) Oskaloosa Symphony Orchestra**

The Oskaloosa Symphony Orchestra and Chorus will be joined by the Oskaloosa Senior High School Singers and Orchestra students at the George Daily Auditorium. Call 673-9448.

**THERE'S MORE!**

The Oskaloosa Municipal Band will be holding its 147th consecutive season of performances at 8 pm at the Bandstand every Thursday evening during the summer months as they have since 1864! Come early to enjoy entertainment prior to concert. (beginning in June)

**Oskaloosa & Mahaska County --  
Exciting, Beautiful & Fun!**

**WHO TO CONTACT:**

**Southern Iowa Fair Office 641/673-7004**

For a complete information on all events including Southern Iowa Speedway races, contact 641/673-7004, www.southerniowafair.com.

Wednesday nights are regular season race nights. Pit gates open at 5 pm.; Grandstand opens at 6 pm; hot laps begin at 7:10 pm, and races begin at 7:45 pm.

**Penn Central Mall 641/673-9414**

For a complete listing of events taking place at Penn Central Mall, contact the Mall at 673-9414 or www.penncentrallmall.com. Regular Mall hours are: Monday-Friday- 10 am - 8 pm; Saturday- 10 am - 6 pm; Sunday- Noon - 5 pm.

**George Daily Auditorium 641/672-0799**

Located at 1800 North 3rd Street in Oskaloosa, the Auditorium is situated between the jr. and sr. high schools. Opening its doors in August of 1997, the auditorium is a world-class performance center with state-of-the-art lighting and sound system. The seating is for 700 patrons and a full orchestra pit. Visit their website for more information at www.georgedailyauditorium.com.

**Mahaska County Visitors Center 641/672-2591**

The Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Development Group will do its best to answer your questions about the area's events and activities.

- Visit the **Mahaska Community Calendar** on the web for more activities and events in Mahaska County – [www.oskaloosachamber.org](http://www.oskaloosachamber.org)

**PLEASE NOTE:**

*This brochure is prepared early in the year; time and date changes are possible Please call or write ahead before making any travel plans.  
Thank you!*

# Calendar of Events

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**Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Development Group**  
124 North Market Street - Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577  
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www.oacdg.org \* www.oskaloosachamber.org  
03/2011

## Calendar of Events

**Jan. 8&22, Feb. 12&26, Mar. 12&26, Apr. 9** **Eggs & Issues**

A legislative forum giving area residents an opportunity to learn more about State, County & local issues. Held at Smokey Row, 109 So. Market. Call OACDG at 641.672.2591.

**February 17** **Simon Estes at the Daily**

This bass-baritone, internationally renowned opera singer will perform at the George Daily Auditorium 7:30 pm. For ticket information contact 641/672-0799. (\$25 & \$10)

**February 19** **Wm. Penn Green Dress Style Show**

Event at William Penn University, Musco Technology Center, 2:00 pm. Call 641.673.1382.

**February 20** **Wm Penn Chamber Concert**

Event at William Penn University in the McGrew Fine Arts Bldg. at 7:30 pm. Call 641.673.1382.

**February 25** **Bids for Kids**

HUGE auction and bake sale at the Oskaloosa Christian School. Bake sale from 12-7 pm; meal from 5-7 pm; silent auction 12-6:15 pm; and live auction at 6:30 pm--all at 726 N E Street, 672-2174, in the school gym.

**March TBA** **Invent Iowa**

Display to be at Penn Central Mall, 641.673.7414.

**March 12** **Town & Country Banquet**

Annual Banquet will be at 6:30 pm in the center court of Penn Central Mall. For more Contact Miranda at 673-6385.

**March 15** **All Shook Up**

The performance will be held at the George Daily Auditorium beginning at 7:30 pm. It's Footloose, Grease and Happy Days all rolled into one. For ticket info contact 641/672-0799.

**March 26** **Vendor Fair**

Will be 10 am to 3 pm in the center court of Penn Central Mall, 673-9414.

**April 1** **Booth Brothers with Roy Web**

Gospel concert will be held at the Pella Christian High Auditorium beginning at 7:30 pm. For ticket information contact Cindy at 641/660-0443. (\$19, \$22, & \$17)

**April 2** **Pine Wood Derby**

The Penn Central Mall, 8 - 9 am is registration. For more information contact the mall at 673-9414.

**April 3** **Girl Scout Auction**

At Penn Central Mall, 11 am - 3 pm, 673-9414.

**April 5 & 6** **Jazz & Choir Concert**

Event at William Penn University in the McGrew Fine Arts Center. Call 641.673-1382.

**April 9** **Race Car Show**

Display to be at Penn Central Mall, 641.673.9414.

**April 14** **William Penn Concert Band**

Will be in Chief Mahaska Room at Penn. Call 641.673.1382.

**April 14 - 17** **William Penn Theatre**  
Spring theatre production at Penn. Call 641.673.1382.

**April 16 & 19** **Easter Egg Hunts**  
Easter Egg Hunts at Bank Iowa & William Penn respectively. (YMCA to be announced.)

**April TBA** **Heartland Rodeo**  
To be at Southern Iowa Fairgrounds, 673.7004.

**April 23** **Sports Card Show**  
Located at the Penn Central Mall. Call 641.673.9414.

**April 17** **Oskaloosa Symphony**  
Young performers concert will be held at the George Daily Auditorium beginning at 4:00 pm. For ticket information contact the auditorium at 641/672-0799. (\$12 & \$7)

**April 28** **Altrusa Luncheon**  
Luncheon will be held at Central United Methodist Church from 11-1pm. Tickets are \$8.00, with all proceeds going back into the community. Contact Crystal, 673-4008.

**April 9** **Ultimate Boxing**  
Located at So. Iowa Fairgrounds, 641.673.7004.

**May 7** **Nelson Pioneer Farm Opening Day**  
Nelson Pioneer Farm will open its season on Saturday, with an Open House from 10 am to 4:30 pm. Plan a family afternoon at Nelson Pioneer Farm. (Free admission & refreshments on opening day). For details call 672-2989.

**May 5, 6, 7** **Tulip Time**  
Pella, just 15 miles from Oskaloosa hosts this annual event with parades, great food, and tons of activities. After visiting Oskaloosa, stop by Pella. For more information, 641/628-2626.

**May 7** **William Penn University Graduation Ceremony**  
The traditional & CWA students' ceremony will take place in the new activity center. For more information contact the University at 641.673.1001.

**May 12** **OACDG Annual Awards Banquet**  
Evening festivities to be held at The Peppertree. Contact the Chamber at 672-2591 for ticket information.

**May 13** **Scholarship Golf Tournament**  
Sponsored by the Chamber, 641/672-2591.

**May 27** **Mahaska HospiceAux./MCG Golf**  
Public is invited to enjoy "Golf Under the Stars" at Oskaloosa Golf, 5 - ? pm. Includes contests for public & for golfers.

**June 4** **Indian Hills Rabbit Show**  
To be at Southern Iowa Fairgrounds. 673-7400.

**June TBA** **Danny Joe Golf Tournament**  
More info to be announced.

**Tassel Ridge Winery -**

For a Complete Schedule of events go to [www.tasselridge.com](http://www.tasselridge.com) or call 641/672-WINE (9463).

**June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 1** **Friday After Five Events**  
Sponsored by the Commerce Committee of the OACDG. Enjoy live music & refreshments on the street in front of the Courthouse, 5 p.m. For more info call 672.2591. Bands in order are: Gimikk, Standing Hampton, Joel Pinkerton Duo, Damon Dotson and Fatal Addiction.

**June 9, 10, 11** **New Sharon Spring Festival**  
Huge festival includes 3 streets of carnival rides, 1st annual 5K Jace Race, variety of music in 3 concerts, fireworks, food, parades, hog roast, 2 royalty pageants, FUN softball game, variety show and MORE. For more information call Ralph Munson at 641/637-2602 or 637-2777.

**June 8-11** **Skunk River Arts Festival**  
Five-day event in downtown Oskaloosa.

**June 11** **Main Street's Art on the Square**  
Oskaloosa's beautiful city square continues as the site of this annual event. The juried art show features the work of artists from all over the country. The public is invited to view and purchase pieces from one of Iowa's finest art shows, 10 am to 4 pm. Show includes \$5,000 purchase voucher raffle. To buy raffle tickets or for show info. contact Main Street at 672-2591.

**June 17** **COC Golf Classic**  
Oskaloosa Golf is site for Christian Opportunity Center Foundation event. Call Diane 628-8087, ext. 108.

**June 18** **WmPenn Annual Statesmen Golf Tournament**  
Contact William Penn University at 641.672.1001.

**June 23** **Mississippi Valley Vintage Car Exposition**  
To be held at the Southern Iowa Speedway. For more information contact the Fair Office at 673-7004.

**June TBA** **Crisis Intervention Golf Tournament**  
To sign up call Harvest Point Golf Course call 641-673-3100.

**July 4** **Fireworks**  
Will be held at the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds at 10:00 p.m. Free & open to the public. (Rain date July 5)

**July 8 & 9** **Relay For Life**  
The American Cancer Society will hold its annual 'Relay for Life' in Downtown Oskaloosa, 6pm - 6am. There will be something for everyone throughout the 12-hour event. Contact Christy McCombs at 660-4049.

**July 15 & 16** **Windjammers**  
Musical event in Oskaloosa. More information to be announced.

**July 22 & 23** **Ridiculous Days**  
Shopping specials all over Oskaloosa.

## REPEAT EVENTS:

**Senior Bingo**

Held in Center Court of Penn Central Mall 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 2 to 3 pm. Bingo is also held at Bradbury Hall in Nelson Pioneer Farm 672-2989.

**Barnes City Figure 8 Races**

Races begin at 7:00 pm on June 11, July 22, August 6. Races at 1 pm Sunday Sept. 11 & Oct. 2, 2011. Contact 641/990-2175.

**Harness Races**

June 11 AND July 24 & 25 at the Southern Iowa Speedway, call 641/673-7004.

**USRA Weekly Racing Series**

Wednesdays May \_\_ through Sept. \_\_ at the Southern Iowa Speedway. For more information call 641/673-7004.

**July 18 - 24** **Southern Iowa Fair**

County fair hosts children's games, competitions, gospel time, 4H and open class exhibits, great food and the traditional midway. Events to be announced. Call 641/673-7004.

**July 29 & 30** **Rollin' Oldies Car Show**

Enjoy a magnificent display hosted by the Rollin' Oldies Car Club, 9 am - 3 pm Sat. Graffiti Night will be held on Friday night, 6 - 9 pm east of KFC on Hwy. 92. For additional information call John Ryken 641/673-4944.

**August 4** **Sweet Corn Serenade & Craft Show**

Family festival features good food, children's activities, and a craft & product show. There's musical entertainment by Richie & the Fabulous 50's sponsored by Bank Iowa from 5:30 - 7:30. Delicious sweet corn for only 25¢! Call 672-2591.

**Aug. 5 - 7** **19th Dog Hollow Rendevous**

Reinactment of 1840 rendevous with hawk & knife throw, Bow shoot, skillet toss, rolling pin toss, games for men, women & kids, candy canon and MORE all at location to be announced, 673-6791, walkman@mahaska.org.

**August 5 & 6** **Tax Free Shopping**

Certain "back to school" items are exempt from sales tax these days.

**August 6** **Arabian Horse Show**

To be at Southern Iowa Fairgrounds. 673-7400.

**August 8 & 9** **Fall Challenge/Ultimate Challenge**

These sprint car races (winged/non-winged) will be held at the Southern Iowa Fair Grounds, 673-7004, as a part of 2011 Southern Iowa Sprintweek (Knoxville Nationals Aug. 10-13, call 515/957-0020 or 641/842-5431.)

**August TBA** **Sports Card Show**

East corridor of Penn Central Mall, 673-9414.