

# *The Flag*

*Michelle Selby*

*Red for the blood shed in the name of  
Freedom,  
for which we fought,  
united  
Blue for the oceans of time we have  
crossed,  
remaining the land of the free  
White for the peace we wish to share,  
all men created equal  
Stars to remember those who fought  
throughout the night,  
bravely for our land  
Stripes to remind us of the lashings  
taken by the Prisoners of War  
With a seal, in God we trust  
We each are one of many, in which we  
stand united in Brotherhood  
A symbol of Pride  
A salute to those who died in the fight  
A blanket to cover us in times of need  
Waving high to show we are still here,  
undefeated  
With honor you are presented to the  
world*

Source: <http://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/the-flag>



All  
Pilot Grove Savings  
Bank Locations will  
be CLOSED



**Monday, July 4, 2016**

In Celebration of  
Independence Day.

## QUILT SHOW RECAP



To celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Machine Quilters Association, nearly 40 members traveled to Cedar Rapids on May 12<sup>th</sup> to view hundreds of displays and vendors. Our weather was beautiful, but not as beautiful as the endless displays of quilts!

There were displays to intrigue any spectator; including a novice like myself. I initially found myself admiring the large, distinctive displays on the first floor, often wondering how long it took to create. As I wandered into the vendor area, I soon realized that technology had integrated itself into this beautiful form of art. The second floor contained displays that had been hand quilted, machine quilted, and a combination of both. I enjoyed listening to the comments about the displays; many of whom I assumed were experienced quilters. Each seemed to admire something different.

Following the convention, we loaded onto the bus for a tour of Downtown Cedar Rapids and areas affected by the Flood of 2008.

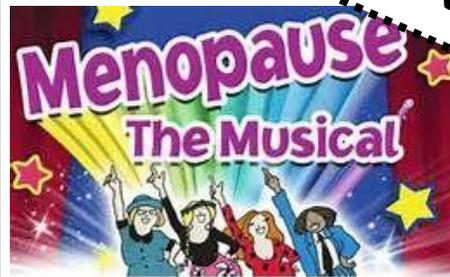
Mark, from The History Center, provided astonishing accounts of how the city came together and overcame many obstacles in order to bring new life to the city. This city is a true gem.

Our tour ended at the historical Sykora Bakery, located in the heart of Czech Village. As I walked in, sweet air and friendly staff greeted me. There was a large selection of Czech delicacies to choose from. Many enjoyed a dessert and coffee while others selected sweets to take home.

It was wonderful traveling with you all and I look forward to future trips!

-Hanna

NEXT TRIP



# Menopause The Musical

Wednesday, July 27th  
@ Circa' 21 in Rock  
Island, IL

We hope you can join us for this hilarious musical performed to tunes from the '60s, '70s and '80s that will have you dancing in the aisles! Set in a department store, four women with seemingly nothing in common but a black lace bra on sale, come to find they have more to share than ever imagined. The cast makes fun of their woeful hot flashes, forgetfulness, mood swings, wrinkles, night sweats and chocolate binges. A sisterhood is as they realize that menopause is no longer "The Silent Passage", but a stage in every woman's life that is perfectly normal!

The show is **Wednesday, July 27th** and tickets are \$91.00.

For any additional information or an itinerary please call Lauren Steffensmeier at our West Point office.  
319-837-6121

# Million Dollar Quartet

Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>

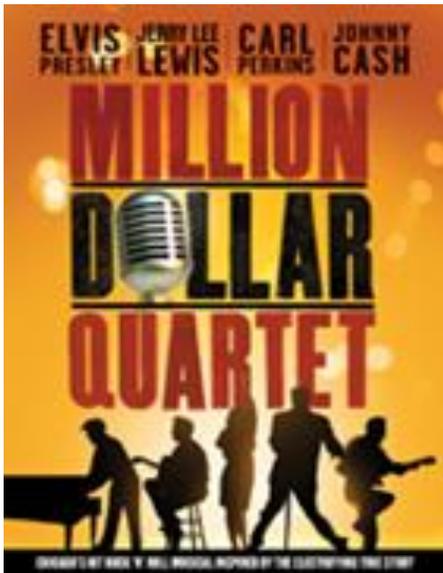
@ Circa' 21 in Rock Island, IL

We still have plenty of spots open for our trip to see MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET. It is a smash-hit musical inspired by Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Carl Perkins!

On December 4, 1956, these four young musicians gathered at Sun Records in Memphis for what would be one of the greatest jam sessions ever. MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET brings that legendary night to life, featuring "Blue Suede Shoes," "Fever," "That's All Right," "Sixteen Tons," "Great Balls of Fire," "Walk the Line," "Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On," "Who Do You Love?," "Matchbox," "Folsom Prison Blues," "Hound Dog" and many more.

The show will be Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> and tickets are \$91.00.

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## BINGO

# Activity Days

### **Tuesday, July 12, 2016**

Pilot Grove Savings Bank Community Room  
Donnellson  
9:00 –11:30 a.m.

### **Tuesday, August 9, 2016**

Pilot Grove Savings Bank Community Room  
Donnellson  
9:00 –11:30 a.m.

### **Tuesday, September 13 2016**

Pilot Grove Savings Bank Community Room  
Donnellson  
9:00 -11:30 a.m.

Come out of the heat and meet your fellow Heritage Club members for a morning of Bingo and Cards. Fill the card winners can take home \$20, special game winners get \$10, and regular game winners can pocket \$5 for each Bingo. Card players can win \$20 for first place and \$10 for second place in high-game categories.

**Be sure to stay for lunch!**

# Fall Gardening



## Tips



- There are some benefits to a non immaculate clean-up in the garden. Leaving some fallen leaves and twigs around and especially over the planting beds can be beneficial. This type of cover prevents soil erosion and moderates soil temperature.



- If you are looking for some plants with fall interest try certain trees and shrubs. For brilliant reds, red-oranges and purples choose: maples, sweetgums and dogwoods. For clear yellows choose: birches, ginkgoes, and clethra. You might also want to choose plants with a persistent berry display including: winterberry hollies, bayberries, and many species of viburnum. Other great choices for fall interest include ornamental grasses such as: Japanese blood grass, miscanthus, and red switchgrass.
- If you are trying to preserve some outdoor herbs such as parsley, rosemary, and chives you can pot them up to grow indoors on a sunny windowsill for a few months, but eventually, they will loose vigor. Other ways to enjoy your herbs past the growing season would be to dry them, or to preserve them in oil or vinegar. Herbs can also be kept frozen until ready for use later on in the year.



For additional gardening tips you can visit

<http://www.nybg.org/gardens/home-gardening/tips/fall.php>

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Monday,  
September 5, 2016



ADDITIONAL TRIP  
FOR 2016

# *Holly Jolly Christmas*

Wednesday, November 30, 2016  
@ Circa' 21 in Rock Island, IL  
Price per ticket is \$91.00



We have been lucky enough to find one more show to finish out the end of the travel year with our Heritage Club group! Although it is months away, we are excited to let everyone know about it!

This delightful musical treat is the perfect way to celebrate the spirit of the season. Join Santa, Mrs. Claus and friends as they feature Broadway-style dancing, stunning costumes and traditional music favorites you know and love. Over 30 holiday favorites such as "The Christmas Song," "Jingle Bell Rock," "Blue Christmas," "Mele Kalikimaka," "Feliz Navidad," "Twas The Night Before Christmas," "The Little Drummer Boy," "Silent Night" and more!

This trip to Circa' 21 will be similar to our other trips. A meal and dessert will be included in the price and served at the dinner theater before the show begins.

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# Pilot Grove Savings Bank

## Heritage Club Calendar of Events

Double check dates with this calendar as some might have changed.



**Monday, July 4- 4<sup>th</sup> of July**  
*ALL LOCATIONS ARE CLOSED*

**Tuesday, July 12**  
*Activity Day*

**Wednesday, July 27**  
*Menopause at Circa 21*

**Tuesday, August 9**  
*Activity Day*

**Monday, September 5-**  
**Labor Day**  
*ALL LOCATIONS ARE CLOSED*

**Tuesday, September 13**  
*Activity Day*

**Wednesday, September 28**  
*Million Dollar Quartet at Circa 21*

**Tuesday, October 4**  
*Activity Day*

**Wednesday, November 2**  
*Nana's Naughty Knickers at The  
Old Creamery in Amana Colonies*

**Friday, November 11-**  
**Veteran's Day**  
*ALL LOCATIONS ARE CLOSED*

**Tuesday, November 15**  
*Packwood Dinner at Packwood  
Christian Church*

**Thursday, November 24-**  
**Thanksgiving**  
*ALL LOCATIONS ARE CLOSED*

**Wednesday, November 30**  
*Holly Jolly Christmas at Circa 21*

**Tuesday, December 6**  
*Mt Pleasant Dinner at FCOC*

**Sunday, December 25-**  
**Christmas Day**  
*Hours to be determined*

**\*ALL TRIPS AND DINNERS  
ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**