

Grafton Riverbeat

May Events, News & Things to do

Mississippi Masters Golf **Tournament Friday May 19**

Just a few weeks remain to get your team signed up for a day of food, fun, a chance to win prizes and most important of all GOLF at the beautiful Lockhaven Golf Club! Check-in starts at 10:30am that day with a 12pm shotgun start. Individual players, twosomes or threesomes are welcome Visit the website too! www.graftonilchamber.com for fees & registration or to sponsor a hole.







Treat Mom to a fun filled day in Grafton this Mother's Day, May 14. Grafton Harbor is offering several special cruises for Mom that weekend including a Brunch cruise on that Sunday morning starting at 11am. Make your reservations now because they fill up fast! Or you can experience the Alpine Coaster and Skytour with Mom & stop by Aeries Gift shop for some Grafton souvenirs. Listening to live music out on the patio of a favorite hangout is a hit with a mom that loves to boogie and dance. Check out the other Grafton shops for a handcrafted unique gift for Mom or a bottle of her favorite wine & a cute wine glass to go along with it. You can even find some blingy wine shirts for the wine lover at The Grafton Winery & Brewhaus.

It's the best kind of happy hour there is...or should we say "yappy" hour? On May 7 from 12-3pm, Pere Marquette will be collecting donations for our area's local animal shelter, The Riverbend Humane Society in Jerseyville, IL! Bring your four-legged friend to Pere Marquette Lodge and spend the day together on the river view terrace! This event is free and open to the public. Anyone who brings in a donation will be entered to win a \$50 gift certificate to their Dining Room! There will be drink specials, live music, dog treats, a pet costume contest and plenty of hiking trails available to you! COSTUME CONTEST: One swaggy doggy will win their owner(s) a free night stay at the Lodge! Judging at 1:30pm sharp!



Yappy Hour

Happenings along the River

Things to Do

Aeries Alpine Coaster: Thursday-Sunday 11am-5pm.

Grafton Sky Tour: Thursday & Sunday: 10:45am-6:45pm. Friday

& Saturday: 10:45am-7:45pm.

Grafton Zip Line: Open Thursday-Sunday 11am-6pm. Office is now located up at 600 Timber Ridge Dr up on the hill. Call 786-9477 for information.

Grafton Visitor Center & Edward Amburg Museum: *Thursday- Sunday 10am-4pm and Monday Holidays.*

Grafton Harbor Boat Cruises: Starting in April. For complete list & reservations go to www.graftonharbor.com or call 618-786-7678. Reservations recommended for Specialty Cruises.

Riverside Flea Market at the Loading Dock: *April-October 4th weekend of the month from 9am to 5pm.*

Grafton Winery & Brewhaus: Thursday May 11 6:30pm, 4 Course Wine Pairing Dinner. Call 618-786-3001 for tickets.

Sunset at The Grafton Winery Vineyards: *The 2nd Friday of each month. Call 618-786-3001 for more info.*

Pere Marquette State Park: Watercolor Workshop May 7, 10am – 1pm, reservations needed. Pere Barkette Yappy Hour on the Patio May 7 12-3pm. Fruit Wine Dinner May 10, 6:30pm. Reservations recommended (limited space) call 618-786-2331. Hiking, bird watching, scenic overlooks, bike rental and horseback riding. Educational Visitors Center located across from Lodge.

Designs By Deseray: 14530 Rowling Ridge Rd. Paint Parties and more for groups scheduled by appointment. Personalized decor 618-535-6718/deserayhardwick@gmail.com/designsbydeseray.net.





Opening Day for Raging Rivers is Saturday May 20. Come out to enjoy an awesome water park next to the Mississippi River with a one-of-a-kind view. Season passes are still available, visit www.ragingrivers.com for information.

Lobster Festival
May 20 & 21
12pm to close at
The Grafton
Oyster Bar



Go to http://gobob23.home.qtego.net to purchase tickets.

Music Scene

Aerie's Winery & Terrace:

May 6 Dan Sproat 1-5pm.

May 7 Denver Wade Trent 1-5pm.

May 13 Graham Pagano 1-5pm.

May 14 "Luau" Lenny Frisch 1-5pm.

May 20 Jonathan Baker 1-5pm.

May 20 Denver Wade Trent 3-7pm.

May 21 Bob Gilda 1-5pm.

May 26 Jonathan Baker 1-5pm.

May 27 Jim on Keys 12-3pm/ John Jarrett Littlefield 3-7pm.

May 28 Jim & Karl 1-5pm.

The Bloody Bucket Saloon:

Live Music on The Weekends

Call 618-786-3495 for information.

Grafton Pub: Live Music on Weekends

May 6 Briar Creek w Ernesto Quevas 4-8pm.

May 13 After Midnight 6-10pm.

May 20 Yankee BBQ 2-6/Outlaw Opry 7-11pm.

May 26 Jake Weber & the Lonesome Drifters 7-11pm.

May 27 Midwest Avenue 2-6pm/Hookie 7-11pm.

May 28 Exit 52 7-11pm.

May 29 Gatorhead 1-5pm.

May 30 Steve & Jackie 5-9pm.

All Shows Are Weather Permitting

Grafton Winery:

May 6 Rogers & Nienhaus 3-7pm.

May 7 Danny Kalaher 2-6pm.

May 13 No 4 Combo 3-7pm.

May 14 Two Pedros 2-6pm.

May 20 Crossed the Line 3-7pm.

May 21 Scott & Karl 2-6pm.

May 27 Rewind 3-7pm.

May 28 Rockabilly Revival 2-6pm.

Grafton Winery at The Vineyards:

May 6 Craig Corzatt 2-5pm.

May 7 Eric Lysaht 2-5pm.

May 13 Jim Bergman 2-5pm.

May 14 Scott Logan 2-5pm.

May 20 Blues Festival at The Vineyards: Soulard Blues Band

12-3pm/Ivas John Band 4-7pm.

May 21 Blues Festival at The Vineyards: Robert Sampson

11am-2pm/Billy Peek 3-6pm.

Grafton Oyster Bar:

May 6 The Intrusion 7pm.

May 13 Cherry Bomb 7pm.

May 20 Backwoods Burden 7pm.

May 27 Outlaw Opry 7pm.

The Loading Dock:

May 5 Soulshine Groove 6pm.

May 6 Soulard Blues Band 4pm.

May 7 The Truckers 3pm.

May 12 Scott & Karl 6pm.

May 13 Robert Perry Band 4pm.

May 14 Yacht Rockers 3pm.

May 19 Soulard Blues Band 6pm.

May 20 Yacht Rockers 4pm.

May 21 The Owlz 3pm.

May 26 Scott & Karl 6pm.

May 27 Yacht Rockers 4pm.

May 28 Trilogy 3pm.

The Hawg Pit: Live Music every Friday, Saturday &

Sunday. Call 618-786-7675 for more info.

May 7 Blessing of the Bikes with live Music by All Fired Up Band 1pm.

May 20 Bruce David Benefit with Live Music/Silent Auction 2-5pm.



Grafton's Thursday night concert series kicks off on May 25 at The Grove Memorial Park from 7-9pm with Scott & Karl, a wonderful way to start off the Memorial Day weekend. Bring your snacks, lawn chairs, canned food donations and a couple extra bucks for the 50/50 drawing. Music loving dogs are welcome too! Next band up is Flip the Frog on June 1. Final concert is August 10.

Shopping

Aeries Gift Shop 600 Timber Ridge Dr: Open Daily 12 - 5pm.

Cox's Rivertown Mill Art & Gifts 115 W Washington: Open Weekends. 812-994-9007 or 812-344-9967.

Golden Eagle Antiques 300 E Main: Sat 10am-4pm & Sun 1pm-4pm.

Grafton BP Station 200 E Main: Open Daily.

Grafton Fudge Shop 321 E Main: Open Daily 11am-5pm.

Grafton Graphix, Darts & Crafts 1406 W Main: Open 10am-6pm Wed - Mon.

Grafton Harbor Marina Shop 215 W Water St: Open Daily 10am-6pm.

Grafton Market 1415 W Main: Open Daily. Call 786-2337 for information.

Grafton Winery Gift Shop 300 W Main: Daily from 11am-7pm.

Harrisons Gifts 224 E Main: Open Daily. 618-786-3370.

Hideaway Farms Market 1 East Main: Open Daily 10am – 5pm.



My Mother would have loved to have one of these Bee houses in her garden from Hideaway Farms Market,

Knotty By Nature 15 E Main: Daily from 10am-6pm.

Mosby Woodwork 309 Market St: Call for information on hours 786-2223.

Fancy Nancy on Main 120 W Main: Hours vary; Look for the Cardinals and Open flag.

Main Street Gift Shop: 301 E Main St.: Open Fri 11am - 4pm, Sat 10am - 4pm and Sun 10am - 3pm. 618-268-7530.

Pajarito 316 E Main: Open 11am-5pm Daily.

Riverbank Gifts 225 E Main: Open weekends, Sat 11am-5pm & Sun 10am-4pm. 618-786-2265.

The Lady LaMarsh 25 E Main: Open Thu - Sun. 217-730-7392 or 618-339-0810.

The Wood Artisan 22 E Main: Tue-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 1-4pm. 618-786-3699.

Sparkt Studio 128 E Main: Private Paint Workshops. Call for hours 618-535-9480.

The Wicked Sisters Home & Apothecary Shoppe 126 E Main: Tue – Thu 11am-5pm, Fri & Sat 9am-5pm and Sun 11am-4pm. 501-339-1677.





The gift shop at Grafton Harbor has many gift ideas for Mom. Check out this cute Flamingo tote bag!

http://www.graftonilchamber.com

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