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# “With the St. Patrick’s Day parade coming on March 17, what is the most Irish thing about you?”



**Chad Pauling**  
Publisher  
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“That I’m from Jackson Nebraska originally ... a community with strong Irish heritage. Our school mascot was the shamrock.”



**Earl Horlyk**  
Staff Writer  
earl.horlyk@lee.net

“I like corned beef and cabbage, I like Guinness. I can also do an Irish jig if given enough corned beef, cabbage and Guinness.”



**Mason Dockter**  
Staff Writer  
mdockter@siouxcityjournal.com

“I’m from Corona, South Dakota, which is a town well-known for its beloved, annual St. Patrick’s Day parade. I also like corned beef and cabbage.”



**Patrick Rooney**  
Account Executive  
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“My ancestry... Irish forebears as long back as our records go. Did the Ancestry.com and came back 87 percent Irish. Plus, 8 percent English/Scottish, well there was this whole Invasion thing, 2 percent Scandinavian, invasion again, the Vikings did found Dublin City, 2 percent Southern Europe, most priests did come from Italy, and we know their inclinations regarding celibacy, and 1 percent Spanish/Portuguese, southern Ireland washed up quite a few sailors from the Spanish Armada sinking, black haired Irish babies for years after. Definitely as Irish as Paddy’s pig.”



**Diane Dykes**  
Staff Writer  
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“Besides my red hair and my Irish roots? Well, I don’t know. I can’t talk like an Irishman, drink like an Irishman or act like one. However, I am related to some crazy Irishmen who would do anything for a beer – like borrowing a train without permission.”



**Nikki Ahlquist**  
Graphic Designer  
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“Making shamrock cutout cookies and wearing green ‘cuz God forbid I get pinched by some hunk of an Irishmen.”

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**ON THE COVER:** Veteran bartenders Kaylyn Angerman, left, and Allie Townsend mix shakers behind the bar at Beer Can Alley. With locations in Omaha and Des Moines, the bar is known for country music and rustic charm. Photo by Jesse Brothers, The Weekender

# Wearin' o' the green

St. Patrick's Day parade in downtown Sioux City continues to grow

BY DIANE DYKES

If you're not actually Irish, there's no better way to kick off the St. Patrick's Day celebration than to take in the annual parade in downtown Sioux City.

Slated for 6 p.m. Tuesday, it is expected to include floats, costumes and fun.

"I think what surprises me is the growth of the parade every year," said Mac Dolan, one of four organizers of the event. "We started with five entries. Some years, we have up to 60-some floats, and we've only been around for 12 years."

Dolan said the parade offers the community a family friendly way to celebrate the holiday and their Irish heritage.

"When I first arrived, St. Patrick's Day wasn't celebrated at all," said Dolan, who owns bars downtown. "The bars were empty if St. Patrick's Day wasn't on a Friday or Saturday. Now, everyone recognizes the day because of the parade."

No matter what, Dolan said, the Sioux City parade will always be on St. Patrick's Day, unlike other cities that hold theirs during the weekend closest to March 17. Some other cities ask for \$100 or more to be in the parade, Dolan only asks Sioux City entries to pay a \$35 fee to help with licensing, insurance and advertising.

Dolan said support from both the community and businesses helps keep the parade going. The presenting sponsor is Missouri Valley Steel.

"Missouri Valley Steel



A float from the St. Patrick's Day Parade in 2018.



JUSTIN WAN PHOTOS, THE WEEKENDER

Work & Church Booze Parlor's Mac Dolan wanted to bring a bit o' the blarney to Sioux City. That's why he helped start a St. Patrick's Day Parade downtown 12 years ago. This year's parade will begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17 at Fourth and Iowa streets.

puts on a great float. They did one with huge shamrocks and horseshoes," Dolan said. "But the families who put together the walking groups and the banners and T-shirts are my favorite things to see in the parade."

Currently, there are 41 entries for this year's parade. Dolan said that includes three or four families, the public school system and a lot of local businesses. New to this year's parade is Rooster's Harley-Davidson, which is bringing all sorts of motorcycles and custom bikes.

Dolan said 10 families who are Irish usually decorate a trailer or walk in a pack dressed up in green with specialty T-shirts and banners saying where they're from in Ireland.

With the extended



Children race to pick up candies during St. Patrick's Day Parade in 2018.

forecast calling for highs in the 70s, Dolan said he anticipates a good turnout

for this year's parade. The route will be on Fourth Street between Iowa and

Water streets.

"It's warm enough for everyone to come out and

support and cheer and be merry and practice their Irishness," Dolan said.

# SUX 6

THE BEST THINGS TO DO IN SIOUXLAND

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## Doses of hilarity and heart

Join the Sioux City Community Theater for its performance of “The Wild Women of Winedale,” a comedy that focuses on three women who are at a crossroad in their lives and how they support each other through the highs and lows of life. The production runs through March 22 at 1401 Riverside Blvd.

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## So you think you can dance?

Fans of America’s favorite dance show rejoice! “Dancing with the Stars” longest tour comes to Sioux City’s Orpheum Theatre Sunday night. The performance begins at 7 p.m. at 528 Pierce St.

## No doubt about it

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Country artist Neal McCoy brings his greatest hits such as “No

Doubt About It” and “Now I Pray for Rain” to Anthem in the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sioux City at 8 p.m. March 13, at 111 Third St.

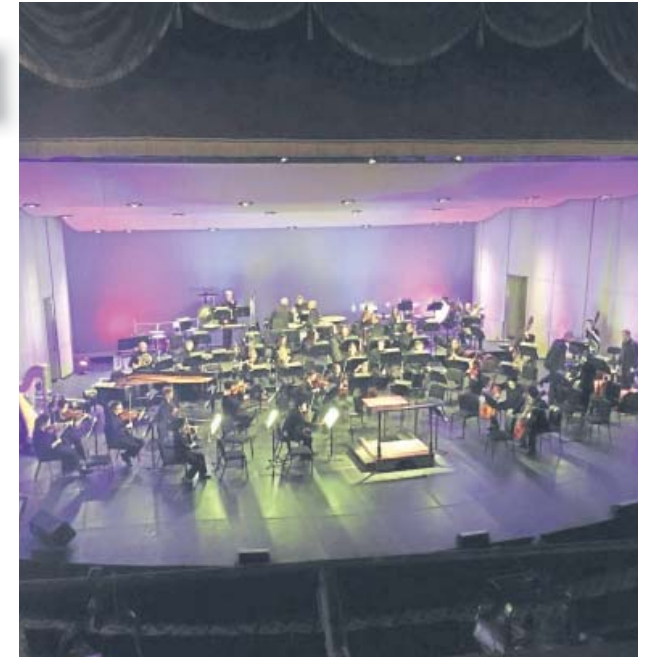


Neal McCoy has been a mainstay in country music for more than three decades. Additionally, he has been named Entertainer of the Year twice by the TNN/Music City News Country Awards. SUBMITTED

## Symphony in four movements

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Join the Sioux City Symphony Orchestra for a night of classical music featuring Beethoven’s No. 7 Symphony at 7:30 p.m. March 14 at the Orpheum Theatre.



BRUCE R. MILLER, Sioux City Journal

The Sioux City Symphony Orchestra was joined by members of Second City.

## King of the jungle

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Fathom Events will grace Siouxland with one of the most iconic kaiju monsters to ever exist on the silver screen! The Promenade Cinema 14 will offer a special showing of the 1933 version of King Kong at 1 and 4 p.m. on March 15. Promenade Cinema 14 is located at 924 Fourth St.

## Hip-nos after dark

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You are getting sleepy... very sleepy... when I snap my fingers, you will want to see hypnotist Kellen Marson at the Doxx Warehouse at 8 p.m. March 13 at 1219 Fifth St.



# MOVIES

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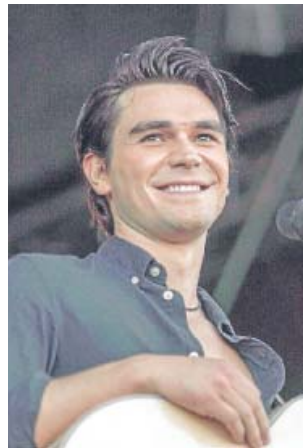


**'Bloodshot'** (RATED PG-13 FOR INTENSE SEQUENCES OF VIOLENCE, SOME SUGGESTIVE MATERIAL AND LANGUAGE)  
Ray Garrison, a slain soldier, is re-animated with superpowers.



**'The Hunt'** (RATED R FOR STRONG BLOODY VIOLENCE, AND LANGUAGE THROUGHOUT)

Twelve strangers wake up in a clearing. They don't know where they are, or how they got there. They will become the hunted.



**'I Still Believe'** (RATED PG FOR THEMATIC MATERIAL)

The true-life story of Christian music star Jeremy Camp and his journey of love and loss that looks to prove there is always hope.



**'Emma'** (RATED PG FOR BRIEF PARTIAL NUDITY)

In 1800s England, a well meaning but selfish young woman meddles in the love lives of her friends.

## New DVD releases for this week:

"Spies in Disguise"  
"Bombshell"  
"Charlie's Angels"  
"Inherit the Viper"  
"The Affair: The Final Season"

## SHOWTIMES

### LOCAL THEATERS

#### AMC Southern Hills 12

4400 Sergeant Rd. 712-276-3062  
www.amctheatres.com

**Bloodshot (PG-13)** 1:45 4:30 7:15 10:00

**The Hunt (R)** 3:00 5:30 8:00 10:25

**I Still Believe (PG)** 1:00

#### Promenade Cinema 14

924 Fourth St.  
712-277-8300

www.mainstreettheatres.com

**Onward (PG)** 1:00 2:30 3:30 5:00 6:00 7:45

**Onward (PG)** 3:00 5:30 8:15

**Onward (PG)** 2:00 4:30

**Onward (PG)** 7:15 9:15

**The Way Back (R)** 2:40 5:20 8:00

**The Way Back (R)** 1:45 4:20 7:05 9:40

**Impractical Joker (PG-13)** 8:30 9:55

**Invisible Man (R)** 7:10 9:55

**Invisible Man (R)** 1:45 4:30 9:00

**The Lodge (R)** 7:25 9:55

**Brahms: The Boy II (PG-13)** 7:35 9:45

**The Call of the Wild (PG)** 1:50 2:35 4:20 5:15 6:50 7:35 9:30

**Sonic the Hedgehog (PG)** 1:35 2:15 4:10 5:00 6:35 9:00

**Birds of Prey (R)** 7:30 9:55

**Bad Boys for Life (R)** 1:50 4:40 1917 (R) 2:05 4:45

### NEARBY THEATERS

#### Royal 3 Cinema

33 Central Ave. SW, Le Mars, Iowa  
712-546-1777

www.mainstreettheatres.com

**Onward (PG)** 7:00 9:30

**Invisible Man (R)** 7:10 9:55

**I Still Believe (PG)** 7:00 9:50

#### Pioneer 3

110 S. 11th St.  
Nebraska City, Nebraska  
402-873-6487

www.mainstreettheatres.com

**Onward (PG)** 7:00 9:30

**Invisible Man (R)** 7:10 9:55

**I Still Believe (PG)** 7:00 9:50

#### Legacy 3

712 W. Sheridan  
Shenandoah, Iowa  
712-246-2245

www.mainstreettheatres.com

**Onward (PG)** 7:00 9:30

**Invisible Man (R)** 7:10 9:55

**I Still Believe (PG)** 7:00 9:50

#### Cinema 4

251 N. Main Ave., 106  
Sioux Center, Iowa  
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www.fridleytheatres.com

**I Still Believe (PG)** 4:00 6:50 9:20

**Onward (PG)** 3:50 6:30 9:00

**The Invisible Man (R)** 3:40 6:40 9:20

**The Call of the Wild (PG)** 4:10 7:10 9:30

**Sonic the Hedgehog (PG)** 4:20 7:00 9:15

**Brahms: The Boy II (PG-13)** 4:20 7:00 9:15

**Sonic the Hedgehog (PG)** 4:20 7:00 9:00

**Fantasy Island (PG)** 3:40 6:45 9:15

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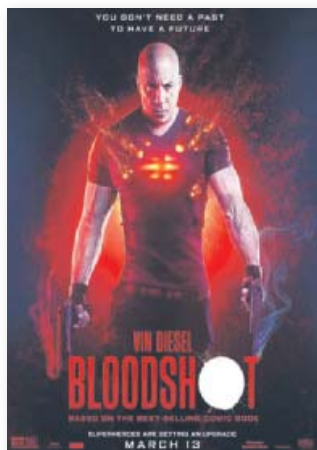
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# AT THE MOVIES



We want to know what you think about the movies. You can Tweet us your reviews @scweekender or share them on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/siouxcityweekender](http://www.facebook.com/siouxcityweekender). We'll pick the best comments on Monday before the next Weekender. Here are this week's movies:

EVERYONE'S A CRITIC



## BLOODSHOT

**STARRING:** Eiza Gonzalez, Sam Heughan, Vin Diesel

**STORY:** Slain soldier Ray Garrison is reanimated with superpowers.

**RATED:** PG-13

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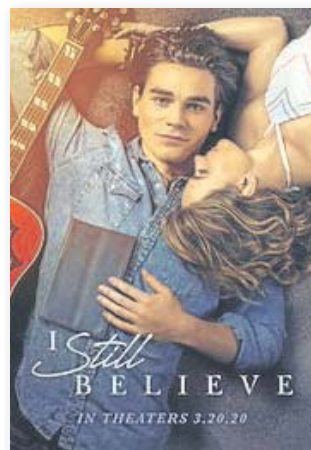
## THE HUNT

**STARRING:** Betty Gilpin, Hilary Swank, Ike Barinholtz

**STORY:** Twelve strangers wake up in a clearing. They don't know where they are, or how they got there. They don't know they've been chosen - for a very specific purpose.

**RATED:** R

**VERDICT:** Your movie review could go here. Tweet us @scweekender



## I STILL BELIEVE

**STARRING:** Britt Robertson, K.J. Apa, Melissa Roxburgh

**STORY:** The true-life story of Christian music star Jeremy Camp and his journey of love and loss that looks to prove there is always hope.

**RATED:** PG

**VERDICT:** Your movie review could go here. Tweet us @scweekender



## EMMA

**STARRING:** Anya Taylor-Joy, Johnny Flynn, Bill Nighy

**STORY:** Emma Woodhouse is a restless queen bee without rivals in her sleepy little town. In this glittering satire of social class and the pain of growing up, Emma must adventure through misguided matches and romantic missteps to find the love that has been there all along.

**RATING:** PG

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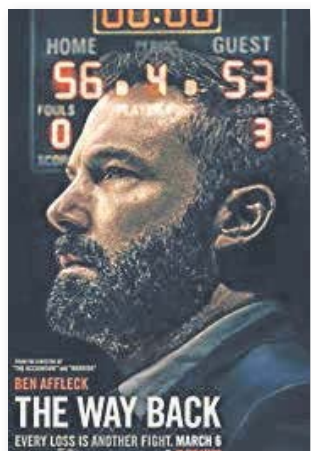
## ONWARD

**STARRING:** Tom Holland, Chris Pratt, Julia Louis-Dreyfus

**STORY:** Set in a suburban fantasy world, two teenage elf brothers embark on a quest to discover if there is still magic out there.

**RATING:** PG

**VERDICT:** Your movie review could go here. Tweet us @scweekender



## THE WAY BACK

**STARRING:** Ben Affleck, Janina Gavankar, Michaela Watkins

**STORY:** A former HS basketball phenom, struggling with alcoholism, is offered a coaching job at his alma mater. As the team starts to win, he may have a reason to confront his old demons. But will it be enough to set him on the road to redemption?

**RATING:** R

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## THE INVISIBLE MAN

**STARRING:** Aldis Hodge, Storm Reid, Harriet Dyer

**STORY:** When Cecilia's abusive ex takes his own life and leaves her his fortune, she suspects his death was a hoax. As a series of coincidences turn lethal, Cecilia works to prove that she is being hunted by someone nobody can see.

**RATED:** R

**VERDICT:** Your movie review could go here. Tweet us @scweekender



## BRAHMS: THE BOY II

**STARRING:** Katie Holmes, Owain Yeoman, Christopher Convery

**STORY:** After a family moves into the Heelshire Mansion, their young son soon makes friends with a life-like doll called Brahm's.

**RATED:** PG-13

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## THE CALL OF THE WILD

**STARRING:** Karen Gillan, Harrison Ford, Cara Gee

**STORY:** A sled dog struggles for survival in the wilds of the Yukon in this retelling of Jack London's legendary novel.

**RATED:** PG

**VERDICT:** Your movie review could go here. Tweet us @scweekender



## FANTASY ISLAND

**STARRING:** Lucy Hale, Maggie Q., Portia Doubleday

**STORY:** A horror adaptation of the popular '70s TV show about a magical island resort.

**RATED:** PG-13

**VERDICT:** Your movie review could go here. Tweet us @scweekender

# Animal psychic featured at Siouxland Humane Society fundraiser

BY DIANE DYKES

Ever wonder what's going on through your pet's head?

If so, take it down to Doxx Warehouse on March 14 at 2 p.m. for the Siouxland Humane Society's second annual Pawsitively Psychic event hosted by the Siouxland Humane Society. Animal Medium Cindy Downing will help build and understand the relationship between pet and owner.

"I am the middle man between man and animal," Downing said. "My goal is to help build strong and happier relationships."

An animal lover herself, Downing has found an emotional and spiritual connection between her and

the animals around her.

The owner of a bulldog and a black lab, Downing said she finds it easier to talk to strangers about their animals than her own. She bonds with her dogs, Downing said she isn't sure if she's reading her words or theirs. With strangers, she doesn't have a relationship with their animals so she can communicate better with them.

Missie Fischer of the Siouxland Humane Society said the event also will help owners find closure after losing a beloved pet. The medium gives them a chance to know that their beloved pets are okay and they will always be with them.

"Their pets are like their

children," Fischer said.

Downing said her clients are often grateful for the service she provides. She said one woman was thankful because it helped strengthen the bond between her pet.

"There was a dog, the other dog in the family passed away, and the woman wanted to know if it was okay to get another sibling," Downing said. "The dog said no, he wanted to do things with her. He wanted to be the top dog. And so she didn't get another dog."

Downing said she can communicate with animals by looking at their photos, as well as in person.

"I focus on their eyes. I connect by looking at their

eyes, and I connect with my heart," Downing said.

Downing said her horses are her favorite animal to work. She finds them intelligent and often smarter than humans. They are like the professors of the animals because they can feel the energy around them. Horses can feel what is going on with a human just from their energy and know when a human is having a good or bad day.

All animals, she said, are different, just like humans.

Downing wants to help educate people, whether it's people who had pets for years or are looking to adopt. She wants people to understand what their animals are

feeling. She wants people to remind their pets that once they are brought to their new home, the owners should say, "This is your forever home."

"I am looking forward to the event, and I hope that people come to join us," she said.

Fischer said proceeds from this fundraiser will

go toward healthcare for Humane Society animals, a shelter for them as long as necessary, as well as the expense of getting them ready for adoption.

"We make sure they have the time and resources to give the pet its home and make sure it's a good fit for the as well," she said.



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Animal psychic Cindy Downing, shown with her bulldog, will be the featured guest at the Siouxland Humane Society's second annual Pawsitively Psychic event on March 14 at Doxx Warehouse in downtown Sioux City.

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# Skin in the game: Artists craft tattoos as keepsakes

**MIKE KLINGAMAN**  
Tribune News Service

BALTIMORE — The woman lies, unflinching, on the table as the tattoo artist works his craft. Her skin is his canvas; the needle, his brush. What's the design on her shoulder to be? A delicate, flowering pea vine.

"My husband and I are getting matching tattoos," says Jen Fitze, 43.

Sort of. Her hubby, Kristofer Fitze, 42, is getting a carrot tattoo, inspired by a line in the film "Forrest Gump":

"Jenny and me was like peas and carrots."

They've come to Flesh Tattoo Company in Fallston, Maryland, to put an artistic face on their marriage — two inky symbols of their love. And though the artist, Guy Arnold, has been tattooing for 25 years, he's still touched by his part in the process.

"I get to affect them for the rest of their lives," says Arnold, of Joppa.

Flesh Tattoo is an upscale studio, a winner in The Harford Magazine's Best of Harford County Readers' Choice Poll, and one of a number of trendy shops that have sprung up locally since the industry went chic some 15 years ago.

Reality television shows like "Miami Ink" gave credence to places once seen as dives for motorcycle gangs and ne'er-do-wells.

"Back in the day, if you had a tattoo you were rough, bad news, trouble," says Mike Rosellini, who opened Flesh Tattoo in 2006. "When I tried to start a shop in Bel Air, a landlord told me, 'We don't want your type here.' Then cable television discovered tattoos and the whole perspective changed. We've gone from putting that anchor on Popeye's forearm to tattooing a vest



MATT BUTTON, TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

**Tattoo artist Mike Kohler works on a custom tattoo on the arm of client Wyatt Hare of Baltimore during a recent session at Flesh Tattoo Company in Fallston, Maryland.**

on a doctor's chest. Nowadays, people are investing a lot of time and money (\$175 an hour) into their bodies."

In another room at Flesh Tattoo, a father and daughter share an epidermal moment.

Chip Schilling, 52, is getting the likeness of an album cover by The Cult — a bird's wing — tattooed on his arm; for Bethany, 18, a fan of Manchester Orchestra, it's the image of a girl clinging to a fir tree like on the front of that band's album.

"This is (Bethany's) birthday present," says Schilling, of Bel Air. At his daughter's behest, he followed suit.

"It's a special thing, a permanence, between us," she says.

Many folks leave Flesh Tattoo as walking memorials to loved ones now deceased. After two police officers were killed in a 2015 shooting at a Panera Bread restaurant in Abingdon, a family member of one of the officers had a replica of his badge tattooed on her arm.

"It's a therapeutic thing for the living," Rosellini says. "I literally have a spot on my

chest, opposite my heart, for when my mom passes."

Such commemorative designs comprise 70% of his business, says Tony Veres, 36, who, with his wife, Kayli, 33, owns Instant History Tattoo in Havre de Grace.

"We've had moms get tattoos of their kids' names and birth flowers," says Veres. "One dad who has four daughters got a design of four pocket watches, each showing their time of birth. Tattoos are part of your personal history; they help tell your story and carry a piece of you outwardly to show others."

Once, Veres was asked to put "Will you marry me?" on a young man's chest, but said that "the guy wanted it stenciled, not tattooed, in case the woman turned him down."

Repeat customers are common, he says — 30 multi-hour sessions for one man, whose left arm is covered with tattoos of cartoon characters from "Undertoad" to "Toy Story." His right arm bears images of villains from horror films. Think Pennywise from "It."

once-noisy rotary machines that house them now hum. But bleeding still occurs and the process still hurts.

How much?

"It depends on your pain tolerance," Veres says. "I've seen small-statured women get a full rib piece and not budge, and I've seen men get wrist tattoos where (the discomfort) didn't sit too well."

Veres and his staff have tattooed eyebrows on women. ("It shortens their makeup time.")

They also accommodate breast-cancer survivors, providing lifelike tattoos of nipples, at no charge, to those who've undergone mastectomies.

"We want women to feel good about themselves," he says.

Forearms are the favorite body part to get inked "because tattoos are more socially acceptable and people want to show them off in the workplace," says Veres. The most unusual spot? The sole of one's foot.

"We don't do genitalia," he says. "But we've been near there."

Folks who a generation ago would not have set foot

in a tattoo studio are going under the needle, from police officers to politicians, plus those in medicine.

"I've done tattoos of anatomical hearts, the caduceus and stethoscopes on doctors and nurses," Veres says.

Flesh Tattoo artist Nick Kaufman recently tattooed an 85-year-old woman.

"Her husband would never let her get one, but once he died, she came in and got a butterfly on her leg," says Kaufman, a graduate of the Maryland Institute College of Art.

Rosellini, his boss, says he has seen it all, from designs of a favorite Psalm to the paw prints of a beloved pet. He has even put faux wedding bands on ring fingers.

"Nothing surprises me," he says. His staff, some of whom have six-figure incomes, are paid by the tattoo and will tackle everything from a toe to a tush.

Rosellini's back is covered with a mural of colorful designs which cost him more than \$5,000.

"If it's skin, and you ask for it, we can tattoo it," he says. "We haven't run out of space on anyone yet."

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# Bespoke Salon works to help customers feel better about themselves



Ashton Robinson is the owner of Bespoke Salon, 422 Fifth St.

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## BY DIANE DYKES

Ashton Robinson loves the relationships she has made with everyone who sits in her chair at Bespoke Salon.

"Not only do we get to help people feel better about themselves, but also we have gained so many friendships," Robinson said. She was one of this year's Siouxland's Choice winners in the beauty category.

Robinson, the owner of the salon at 422 Fifth St., said she and her staff

take pride in offering the best mix of fresh styles and environmentally friendly products. The unique personalities of the staff and the chill atmosphere of the salon help clients relax and feel welcome.

"Owning my own business was always something I had in the back of my mind," she said. "I had gotten to a point in my career that I was ready to take that next step. Empowering and allowing those I work with to control so much of their own work/

life balance is such a key to keeping our business successful."

Robinson said Bespoke tailors experiences to what each person needs and wants.

"Your time is your time, and we want you to know it."

One of the biggest trends, she said, is more sustainable and environmentally conscious hair, so the salon has reflected on that since it opened. Bespoke is a Green Circle Salon because it uses sustainable products and recycles as much of its waste as possible.

"Complementary to that trend, we see beauty efforts stay low maintenance, less effort and more natural," Robinson said.

Robinson said the products she loves the most right now are by the Davines line, especially the OI products.

"OI is super-moisturizing and great for this time of year to help out with the winter dry air," Robinson said. "The line has a shampoo, conditioner, leave-in milk oil, hair butter, body wash and lotion. A favorite

service of every stylist at Bespoke is doing hair color. We love watching the transformation it can bring to any hairstyle and face shape."

For anyone looking into or is currently pursuing a career in cosmetology, Robinson said candidates should align themselves with people who want to see the best in them and help them get there.

Do-it-yourself hair trends, she said, can be more expensive to fix if something goes wrong. That's why



it's better to come in for a consultation and seek options.

"We are always welcoming new clients and hope out constant drive to be at the top of new beauty trends will keep you coming back," she said.

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# Dining and dunking

Hospitality tent offers varied menus for NAIA VIPs, teams

BY DIANE DYKES  
THE WEEKENDER

“Will the hospitality tent be there?”

That’s a question teams and officials of the NAIA Division II Women’s Basketball Tournament often ask before the competition unfolds.

The reason? It offers a host of foods for VIPs at the end of the basketball court.

The good news: It’s back.

Enzo Carannante, assistant general manager at the Tyson, said the hospitality tent will serve food all six days of the tournament – 10 meals in all – for tournament partners, sponsors and the teams.

“The VIP tent is located right on the arena floor at the east end,” Carannante said. “We have TVs set up so that you don’t miss any of the action happening on the court.”

“We have a great culinary team that creates the menu with a variety of options. Lunch options are served as a sandwich-type, while dinners will be more of a sit-down type of meal.”

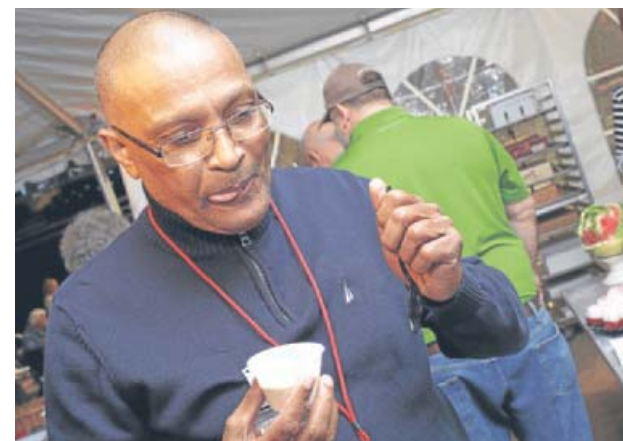
Carannante said the menus change each tournament. Tyson officials receive feedback after the tournament and use it to plan the menus for next year. They do keep some staple items, but they will add new twists and spins on them.

“Pete’s Pot Roast is a meal served at every tournament,” Carannante said, “It’s one of the first questions we’re always asked: ‘What night is Pete’s Pot Roast?’ And, typically, we find it to be the best-attended night. The taco bar



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**A Spanish Padella, a seafood dish served by Centerplate at the hospitality tent during the NAIA Division II Women’s Basketball National Championship tournament at the Tyson Events Center in 2014.**



**Daniel Ford tries the nitro Twin Bing ice cream at the hospitality tent during the NAIA Division II Women’s Basketball National Championship tournament in 2014.**

is usually a big hit as well. This year, the championship night will take place on St. Patty’s Day, so we’ll be serving corned beef and cabbage to celebrate.”

Carannante said the hospitality tent expects to go through 20-25 pallets of food for this year’s tournament. To help make sure they have enough food, they use past history and what the expected attendance is for the tournament.

“Our culinary team takes every scenario into consideration when creating the menu,” Carannante said. “We’ll have vegetarian options available, as well as a seafood option on Friday.”

Tyson officials, he said, do a great job in calculating amounts needed so that there is little leftover food. Any extras go toward community organizations to ensure that nothing gets wasted.

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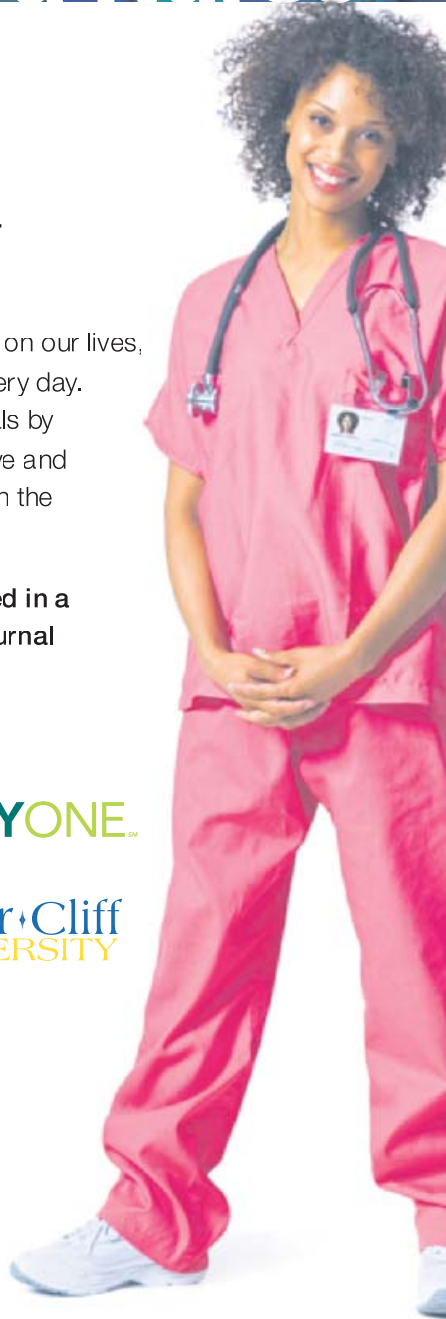


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**JUNE 6**

**Bike SUX,** Caribou Coffee, 2939 Hamilton Blvd. We ride as a fundraiser for Journal Goodfellow Charities, Inc, a non-profit that distributes toys to Siouxland's less fortunate children during Christmas. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. Ride begins at Caribou Coffee at 9:00 am. The cost of your registration includes a T-Shirt and meal at One-Eyed Jacks. 8 a.m. -2 p.m. \$25 Early Bird Registration until May 23. Cynthia Donovan. 712-293-4331. www.bikesux.com.

## CLASSES AND LECTURES

**MARCH 12**

**Mock Interview,** Iowa Workforce Development, 2508 Fourth St. Sioux City. Contact us to make an appointment for this dynamic mock interview. 712-233-9030. midnight

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**Rosetta stone,** Iowa Workforce Development, 2508 Fourth St. Sioux City. Stop in and explore the program and work at your own pace! Learn English, Spanish, French, Chinese-Mandarin, Hindi, Arabic or Vietnamese at no cost. Aprende ingles y otros lenguajes a tua paso sin costo. 8:30 a.m.

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-6:30 p.m. Donations. Johnell Peterson, info@kingdomfitliving.com, 7122025052. www.kingdomfitliving.com/strength-tone.

## COMEDY

**MARCH 28**

**Bert Kreischer,** Orpheum Theatre, 528 Pierce St. The Berty Boy Tour comes to Sioux City. 7 p.m.

## COMMUNITY

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**APRIL 7**

**Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra spring concert,** BJ Haan Auditorium, 700 7th St NE, Sioux Center. The orchestra will present Brahms: German Requiem, one of the most profound and important choral-orchestra works of the romantic era. Tickets are available at the door the night of the concert. 7:30 p.m. -9 p.m.

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**APRIL 10**

**Sioux City Musketeers vs. Sioux Falls Stampede,** Tyson Events Center / Fleet Farm Arena, 401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City. The Sioux City Musketeers have their final home regular season game against the Sioux Falls Stampede on Fan Appreciation Night. The final night of the remaining players trading card giveaway will complete the set of the 2019-20 Sioux City Musketeers. After the conclusion of the game the game worn white jerseys will be raffled off from the ice. Doors open 6 p.m. 7:05 p.m.

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# Country cool!

Beer Can Alley brings small town bar experience to Sioux City

BY EARL HORLYK

**A**llie Townsend would like you to know that county music isn't all about the gal whose guy has done her wrong or the guy whose best friend is hitching a ride to doggie heaven.

"If you think all country music is sad music, then you haven't heard *good* country music," the veteran bar manager and unabashed Luke Combs fan said decisively.

Townsend sounded pretty confident in her opinions. Then again, she has been seeing a steady stream of country music lovers congregating at Beer Can Alley, an 1109 Fourth St., which is currently open for limited hours on the weekend before opening full-time March 20.

"We're the type of country bar in which people will be singing along to (Kenny Rogers') 'The Gambler,'" she said. "It doesn't matter if it is old school country or new school music, we're all fans here."

## COUNTRY COMES TO FOURTH STREET

According to businessman Jesus Sanchez, Beer Can Alley will help fill a niche that was needed on Sioux City's Historic Fourth Street.

Sanchez had already tested the landscape by opening Rox & Rails, the now-closed country bar which was located next door to his popular 1008 Key Club.

Bringing Beer Can Alley, a family owned country nightclub with locations in Omaha and Des Moines, to Sioux City was a slam dunk for Sanchez.

## A PLACE TO BOOT-SCOOT TO YOUR HEART'S CONTENT

"Beer Can Alley is already an established name with concert promoters in the Midwest," he said. "That means we'll be able to bring in first-class talent on a regular basis."

Which is good news for Kaylyn Angerman, who noted that Beer Can Alley's dance floor is a perfect place for a bit of



JESSE BROTHERS PHOTOS, THE WEEKENDER

Allie Townsend, a manager of Beer Can Alley, pours a Blue Hawaiian at the 1109 Fourth St. bar. Adjacent to Rebo's, the bar has been open for limited weekend hours. It's official open will occur on Mar. 20.

boot-scooting.

"We've literally had customers of all ages and all walks of life," the Hank Williams Jr. fan noted. "That's a good sign."

## A SMALL TOWN BAR IN A CITY SETTING

Like Townsend, Angerman has more than a decade in the bar biz.

"I've worked with Jesus at the Key Club and knew what a good boss he is," Angerman said. "I jumped at the chance to help manage Beer Can Alley."

Similarly, Townsend has spent her career

at various places along Fourth Street as well as at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino.

Yet Beer Can Alley most reminded Townsend of the bars back in her hometown of Pierson, Iowa. "That's exactly the vibe we're going for," she said. "A small town bar where everybody know your name."



Think of Beer Can Alley as a small town bar magically transported onto Sioux City's Historic Fourth Street District.



According to manager Kaylyn Angerman, Beer Can Alley has appeal for customers of all ages.



What's pairs well with beer? How about sports? TV sets add interest to Beer Can Alley's evolving decor.



An American Flag constructed of wood from three different barns adorns the wall at Beer Can Alley.



This steer will never steer you wrong. Beer Can Alley's mascot steer can be seen in various spots at the bar.

## A STEER SKULL IS NOT ONE SIZE FITS ALL

Sanchez agrees, pointing out Beer Can Alley's rustic decor, which included vintage signs and an American Flag made from reclaimed wood for barns.

"We're in rural America and that's reflected in our choice of decoration," he said.

Well, maybe yes. But maybe no. After all, steer skulls *are not* one size fit all.

"We were supposed to have three steer horns as decorations on top of our bar, however only one fit," Townsend said, with a shrug. "The other two had to go back."

This is why a trial run and a soft opening is so important. You've got to work out the kinks.

## COLORFUL COCKTAILS AND A WHOLE LOTTA BEER!

Alas, this isn't necessary for Townsend, who is a pro behind the bar.

## DETAILS

**WHAT:** Beer Can Alley  
**WHERE:** 1109 Fourth St., Sioux City  
**ONLINE:** <https://www.facebook.com/BCASiouxCity/>

On a quiet Wednesday afternoon, she mixed rum, pineapple juice and Blue Curacao together in a shaker. She then emptied the colorful contents into four glasses.

Hey, a Blue Hawaiian in a country bar?! What's the deal with that!?!

Closer inspection revealed that not only is Townsend's cocktail blue but so is her fingernail polish.

"My nail polish is more of a teal to be honest," she said, correcting us. "But yeah, my favorite color happens to be blue."

While the beer lineup is not set in stone, Angerman said Beer Can Alley will have brew-skis that will appeal to craft beer aficionados as well as suds lover who are more traditional.

"You have to appeal to everyone," she said. "That's what it take to have a successful bar."

## QUALITY EATS FROM A GOURMET CHEF

Having a busy neighbor doesn't hurt, Sanchez said.

"For the time being, Beer Can Alley will feature a small food menu made by (Rebo's founder and chef) Brian Rees," he said.

This makes sense since Rebo's – a longtime Fourth Street eatery – is located next door, at 1107 Fourth St. Plus the two businesses share a restrooms.

According to Townsend, that works perfectly whenever Rebo's has overflow

business.

"Instead of waiting for their table at Rebo's, they can wait at Beer Can Alley," she explained. "Even better, they can order a drink."

## THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

Since the bar opened its doors a few weeks ago, Townsend and Angerman have experienced support from former co-horts as well as from their competition.

"That's the fun part about working on Fourth Street," Angerman said. "Everybody knows and likes everybody. Plus everybody wants you to be successful."

Hey, that's the small town hospitality at work, right?

"The best part about Beer Can Alley is that we get to be friendly like a small town bar but big enough to get terrific musical acts," Townsend said. "We have the best of both worlds."

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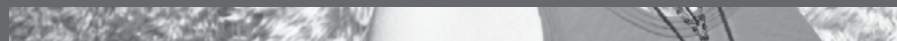
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## SIouxLAND STRANGE

A roundup of  
bizarre  
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from Siouxland's  
police logs.

### What the police heard

Selections from the Sioux City Police Department incident log.

#### King's H2O splasher sentenced

A Colorado man was sentenced to a term of two years' probation and 200 hours of community service March 5 after an incident nearly a year ago in which he threw water at Congressman Steve King.

Chief U.S. District Judge Leonard Strand handed down a sentence of probation to 27-year-old Blake Gibbins of Lafayette, Colorado. On March 22 of last year, Gibbins – an Iowa native – happened to encounter the congressman at a Fort Dodge restaurant and, after confirming that the man was indeed King, tossed water on him.

King was uninjured in the incident, though he and another man at the table did get splashed. Gibbins was restrained by a customer, then arrested after police arrived.

Gibbins pleaded guilty in September to a misdemeanor count of assault on a congressman.

Judge Strand, for his part, was apparently uneasy with

the no-jail plea agreement reached by the U.S. Attorney's Office and Gibbins' attorney – he felt the sentence could be misinterpreted by the public as too lenient for what he described as a “disgusting and cowardly” act.

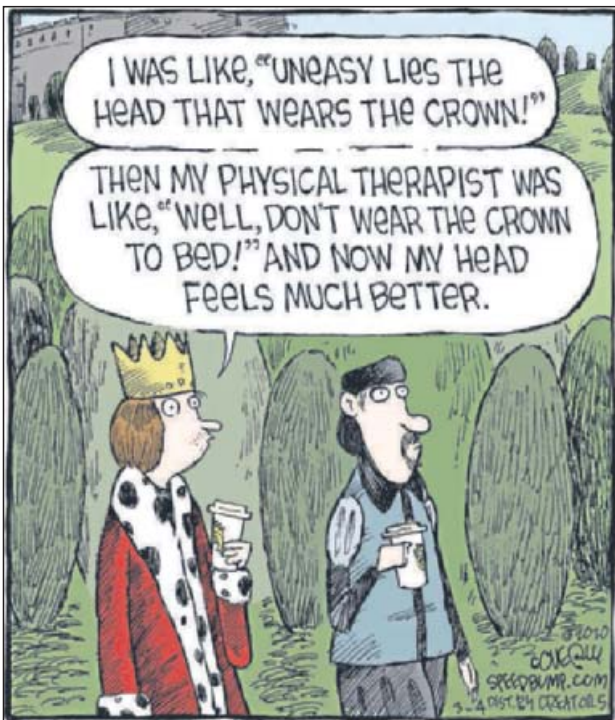
King himself was not present at the hearing and did not immediately offer comment.

Though a federal sentencing formula determined a prison sentence of up to six months was appropriate, Assistant U.S. Attorney Tim Duax and defense attorney Paul Statler agreed in sentencing memorandums filed with the court that probation was appropriate.

It was a tough recommendation for the U.S. Justice Department, Duax said. King was not injured, he said, but the incident has affected how he feels in public.

Duax said Gibbins will face serious consequences besides prison. He now has a criminal conviction, which could disqualify him for jobs he applies for after completing college. Duax said he can't speak for everyone in the public, but Gibbins' prosecution in itself sends a message to others who may consider assaulting a congressman.

Statler said Gibbins would like to send an apology to King, but had not yet done so because a protection order prohibits him from contacting the congressman.



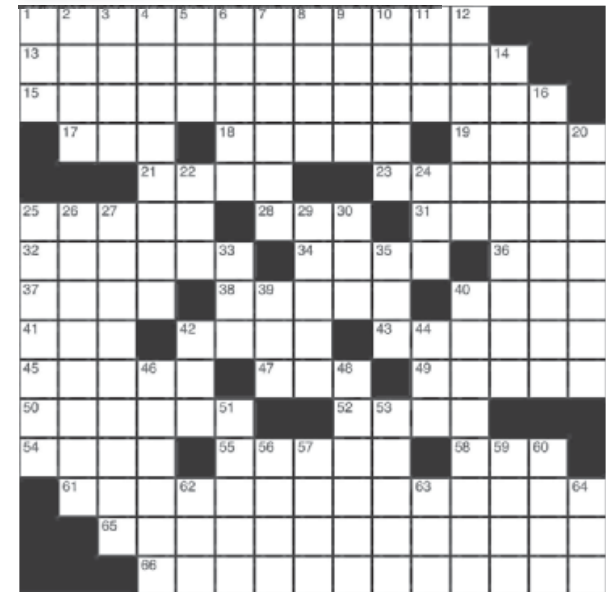
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### CROSSWORD



#### Across

- 1 Diagnostic aid
- 13 ESPN game show where four expert panelists compete debate-style
- 15 "42" subject
- 17 Water \_\_
- 18 Gets ready to eat, in a way
- 19 Key of Beethoven's Sym. No. 7
- 21 Clipped affirmative
- 23 Other: Pref.
- 25 Scary story sound
- 28 One of a prohibitive septet
- 31 Industry bigwigs
- 32 Hide out, with "down"
- 34 School offering belts
- 36 Get
- 37 Rihanna album whose title is a common prefix
- 38 Cosmic balance
- 40 Analogy part
- 41 An ace is under it
- 42 Desert bordering the Altai Mountains
- 43 Mitt with ten fingers
- 45 "Luck Be \_\_": "Guys and Dolls" song
- 47 Smoking evidence
- 49 Shuffles, say
- 50 Firming (up)
- 52 Italian recipe word
- 54 User of recording devices called quipus
- 55 WWII conference city
- 58 Home of MLB's Redbirds
- 61 Learn
- 65 Early U.S. Navy flag motto
- 66 Likely to be returned

#### Down

- 1 Persian for "crown"
- 2 Subjects of IRS Pub. 590
- 3 Belt
- 4 Japanese hot pot dish
- 5 Athlete's wear, for short
- 6 Idyllic settings
- 7 Toys with strings?
- 8 "I see now"
- 9 "Leave \_\_!"
- 10 Trey Anastasio's band
- 11 Chaney of the screen
- 12 Imitation
- 14 Unequivocal rejection
- 16 Told
- 20 Alcott's "Little Men" sequel
- 22 \_\_ out a victory
- 24 Prefix with tourist
- 25 Indian flatbread
- 26 Words with a dismissive wave
- 27 Unable to look away
- 29 Actor \_\_ Elba of "The Wire"
- 30 French handle?
- 33 "Citizen Kane" studio
- 35 Shake up
- 39 Old hoops org.
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- 44 Sautzging substance
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- 63 Soft drink ending
- 64 Young adult fiction author Vizzini

If you must cheat, the answers are in the classified section on page 17

# ADVICE

ANSWERS FOR ALL YOUR WOES



**ADVICE  
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## Grisly Bare

**I hooked up with a really good friend a few times. We both agreed to forget about it to preserve our friendship, but he's been really distant. I don't want to be the one to reach out and say something. How do I get things back to normal?**

--Upset Woman

Sure, they say a really good friend is someone who knows everything about you – though, ideally, stopping short of how your sex face is a ringer for a pug having a seizure.

Chances are, this stretch of awkward silence between you has two interconnected causes: 1. “Eek, too much naked!” with somebody who isn’t a romantic partner, and 2. The fog of uncertainty over what sort of relationship you and he now have.

Problem 1, “Eek, too much naked!” comes out of how, when you two “just friends” hooked up, you abruptly and unwittingly vaulted across the boundaries of friendship into romantic territory. Major features of a romantic relationship – an *intimate* relationship – are vulnerability and openness. We look to find someone we can trust with our most embarrassing flaws and deepest fears, along with other stuff we don’t put out to the world with a bullhorn: “Hey, everybody on this bus, let’s have a chat about what I like in bed!”

Sex tends to feel less like sexual overshare after the fact if it was preceded by some starter romance – talking flirty, lite touchyfeely, making cartoon heart eyes at each other. This stuff signals a transition to a deeper relationship (or at least sincere hopes of one).

However, when we get naked without any romantic prep, our feeling weirded out – overly exposed – probably comes out of our evolved motivation to protect our reputation: our public image, the sort of person others perceive us to be. Back in the harsh, 7-Eleven- and Airbnb-free ancestral environment that shaped the psychology still driving us today, our social survival and, in turn, our physical survival were dependent on whether people believed we were a good person and somebody good to keep around.

Welcome to the origins of our longing for privacy – to keep some info about ourselves out of the public eye (everyone we *don't* have intimate relationships with) and to manicure the info we do release. Social psychologist Mark Leary refers to this as “impression management.” Others’ evaluations of us affect how we’re perceived and treated, so, Leary explains, we’re driven to “behave in ways that will create certain impressions in others’ eyes.” Regrettably, it’s difficult to keep up the role of steely image manager while naked and barking like a coked-up elephant seal.

Moving on to problem 2, the fog of uncertainty over what sort of relationship you and this guy now have, getting naked together is also a defining act of sorts – or rather, a possibly redefining one. Before you two had sex, your relationship was clearly defined as a friendship. There’s comfort in this sort of clarity. It’s like a sign over a business. When we see “Laundromat,” we know what to expect, and it isn’t Thai takeout or stripper poles, watered-down \$20 drinks, and loose glitter.

Right now, there’s probably an uncomfortable question looming over the two of you: Does one want more of a relationship – a romantic relationship – than the other’s up for providing? Psychologist Steven Pinker explains that people get uneasy when they’ve had one type of relationship with somebody – say, a friendship – and they aren’t sure whether that person wants a different type of relationship. A changed relationship has changed terms and behaviors that go with it, and they need to know which set they’re supposed to adhere to.

And sure, you do say you both agreed to ditch the sex to preserve the friendship, but people say lots of things, because it’s not like a dude in some control room somewhere gives us an electric shock whenever we tell a lie.

Ask yourself whether you might want more than a friendship. If so, figure out whether you want it enough (and whether it’s possible enough) to risk making it too uncomfortable to remain friends – which could happen.

If friendship is really all you want, you don’t have to “reach out and say something.” In general, guys don’t want to talk about it; they just want life to go on. And there’s your answer. Start asking this guy to do “just friends” things, like hanging out with you and other amigos. To stay on the clothed and narrow, schedule these outings at “just friends” times – in unsexy bright daylight – and in “just friends” locations: places you’d get arrested if you stripped down to “Yo ... Check out the wild birthmark that looks like Lawrence of Arabia crossing my labia on a camel!”



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**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** – Fill your mind with ideas that will spark enthusiasm. An investment will pay off, and gifts and repayments will come your way. Romance is in the stars.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** – Quickly take care of personal matters. Make a change to your home, financial investments or family living arrangements. A physical improvement will ease stress and give you a new lease on life.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** – Make your feelings clear. Honesty will help address anything that’s been bothering you and give you the push you need to get your life in order.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** – Networking will get results. A chance to work with someone you respect will result in knowledge and experience. Traveling for business or educational pursuits will pay off. Change is heading your way.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** – Stick to whatever makes you feel passionate. Start a project or make strategic cuts that can help pay for all the extras you want. Plan an entertaining evening that will help you relax.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** – Avoid taking on other people’s responsibilities. Learn to say no. Call the shots and live life your way. A personal adjustment is long overdue. Know when to take a pass.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** – Embrace what life has to offer. Keep up the momentum and finish what you start. You’ll make a lasting impression on someone special. A personal change will turn out better than anticipated.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** – Get motivated and incorporate exciting activities into your schedule. Take a day trip, sign up for a course or start a new hobby. Avoid volatile situations.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** – Concentrate on something that you enjoy doing. Practice will improve your skills and talent. Beware of ulterior motives behind someone’s generous offer. Romance is on the rise.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** – The less time spent with pushy or negative people, the better. Complaints and criticism will not help you get things done. A pending situation will take an unexpected turn.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** – Think about your next move. Meet with someone who has as much to offer as you, and form a prosperous partnership. Don’t sell yourself short. Romance is featured.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** – Take care of all the little things on your to-do list. Avoid overspending. Use your imagination to come up with cheaper or more efficient alternatives. Update your qualifications.

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# FINAL SAY

PARTING THOUGHTS UNTIL NEXT WEEK

## Candy comas, spooky animatronics and how to avoid NAIA basketball overload

More than 30,000 players, coaches and spectators will be crowding into the Tyson Events Center for the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Women's Basketball Division II National Championships, now through March 17.

Some of the nation's female athletes will be hitting Tyson's hardwood courts for non-stop action. Fans of the 32 separate teams will sit in rapt attention during every second of game time and ... ZZZZZ!

Puh-leeze, even the biggest NAIA fan will need some respite from squeaky sneakers, bouncing basketball and eardrum-shattering buzzers.

In other words, at some point, they'll have to hatch an escape from the Tyson!

This is where your Weekender friends can help out. There are places near by that will keep you from b-ball overload.

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JUSTIN WAN, THE WEEKENDER

Concordia players celebrate the win against Southeastern in the NAIA women's basketball championship game in Sioux City on March 12, 2019.

8 p.m. Sundays at 401 Gordon Drive, he said said the climbing wall is great for birthday parties, corporate meetings and for people who getting vertigo by watching too many orange balls.

### 2. GET A SELFIE WITH A CREEPY-LOOKING, ANIMATRONIC EXPLORER

When it comes to scary-ass attractions, few can hold a candle to Walt Disney World Resort's nightmare-inducing animatronic The Hall of Presidents. Nearly as frightening are the animatronic replicas Meriwether Lewis,

William Clark and, even, Thomas Jefferson that can be found at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, 900 Larsen Park Road.

Would you like to give bunny ears behind the back of America's 3rd President? Of course, who wouldn't?

### 3. TAKE A KID TO A CHILDREN'S MUSEUM ... BUT SECRETLY ENJOY IT MORE THAN THE RUGRAT!

Located at 623 Pearl St., Sioux City LaunchPAD Children Museum will give you the chance

to build a city out of LEGOs, pretend to fly on a rocket ship or participate in any number of pop-up events.

Do you need to go there with a kid? Sadly, yes. But we wanna go on cool spaceship as well!

### 4. STEP 1: EAT CANDY; STEP 2: EAT MORE CANDY

We do not know what Palmer Candy Company – the maker of the Twin Bing – was thinking when they gave their 405 Wesley Parkway retail business such a ridiculous name as Palmer's Olde Tyme Candy Shoppe?



JIM LEE, THE WEEKENDER

Desi Beckmann climbs the rock wall at Sioux City's Long Lines Family Rec Center in 2016.

First of all, the name's too long and mangled with weird spelling choices. We would've prefer a more accurate name like "Nirvana" or "The Promised Land" or "It Was Totally Worth Getting That Cavity!"

It's hard to get jazzed by watching one basketball game after another. Having a belly-ful of chocolate, nougat and sugar makes the time go faster.

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