

Amazing fall adventures await in Ozaukee County!

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It's fall, y'all! And fall in Ozaukee County means fun events for the whole family! From festivals and fairs to amazing pumpkin farms, beautiful bike trails and long hiking trails through colorful crunchy leaves, October is always an adventure in Ozaukee County! Here's a cornucopia of activities to fill your calendar!

Oct. 2

■ Fall Festival at Buechler Farms in Belgium

(10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.)

Pumpkin picking, gourds, corn stalks, vendors, food and drinks, kids' activities, horse and carriage rides, tractor drawn wagon rides and live music. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. free admission. In the evening, live music in the barn with Road Trip. 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. \$8 cover charge.

■ Ein Kleines Oktoberfest at Sahale Ale Works – Grafton (noon to 9 p.m.)

Come on out and enjoy beer, music, food by Mel's Charities and gemütlichkeit at Sahale Ale Works in Grafton.

Oct. 2-3

■ Oktoberfest in downtown Cedarburg

(Saturday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Enjoy German food, beers and desserts, plus a huge tent to cover the bands, dance floor and tables, lending a true Oktoberfest feel. Authentic German music and entertainment includes the Pommerische Tanzdeel Dancers, Tuba Dan and the River City Blaskapelle, plus a wooden dance floor for Polka fans. And, if you've never seen a live Glockenspiel Show (Cuckoo Clock), this delightful, goofy event will make you laugh as it reappears every two hours. Free admission!

■ Cedarburg History Museum grand re-opening

(Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.)

A celebration of history, artifacts and demonstrations and the introduction of the permanent Chudnow Collection. Events include the Wisconsin-Sing music of David Drake, the blacksmith talents of Dan Naumann, living historian Jessica Michna as Laura Ingalls Wilder, vintage bicycles from Mark Pachef-

sky, several antique automobiles, rope making from Ozaukee County Historical Society and more!

Oct. 3

■ Apple Fest by the Thiensville-Mequon Lions (11 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Celebrating all things apple... pies, turnovers and brats are just some of the food offerings. Also, hay wagon rides, barrel train rides, face painting, coloring contest, polka contest, raffles, live music and more!

Oct. 7

■ Oktoberfest presented by the Sommersberger Group, Gathering on the Green and Foxtown Brewing

(5 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

Food, beer, polka music, costume contest and more at the Foxtown Annex in Mequon, to benefit the Gathering on the Green Music Together and Scholarship Program. Visit gatheringonthegreen.org for ticket package options and pricing.

Oct. 8

■ The Texas Tenors - Cedarburg Performing Art Center

(7:30 p.m.)

The Texas Tenors are the most successful musical group and third highest selling artists in the history of NBC's America's Got Talent. These classically trained, versatile tenors have performed more than 1,400 concerts around the world and lay claim to being Billboard Magazine's #10 Classical Artists in the World for 2019.

Oct. 8 and 9

■ Fall Into Grafton (Friday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

This family fun event includes a pumpkin lighting in the Lumberyard Plaza, mini golf, the annual pumpkin derby, free kids' games and activities, a beer garden with food and entertainment at Sahale Ale Works, Kohls Wild Theatre, food, music, live entertainment and more!

Oct. 8-10

■ Covered Bridge Art Studio Tour - Cedarburg Artists Guild

(Friday, noon to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

A free self-guided tour of art studios in Washington and Ozaukee counties. Visit 50 artists creating one-of-a-kind art in various media and



Photo by Mike Zander

Guests will find pumpkins a plenty at Appleland Farms.

styles right in their own studios. This is your chance to purchase a unique piece of art directly from a local artist along with its "story of creation." No reservations or tickets needed - for map, artists info and videos visit cedarburgartistsguild.com.

Oct. 9

■ Love Our Great Lakes Day

(Activities start at 9:30 a.m.)

A celebration of Lake Michigan and the Great Lakes featuring outstanding speakers at the morning program, musical performances, participatory art and free admission to the Port Exploreum and the Historic 1860 Light Station.

■ Fall Street Festival in downtown Port Washington (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Celebrate the harvest in downtown Port Washington! Businesses move outdoors, vendors take over the streets, the Port Farmers Market offers their harvest, and two band stages energize the crowd. All in the beautiful downtown area of Port Washington, right off the marina!

■ Food Truck Frenzy at Grady Park in Saukville (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.)

Food, beverage and live music benefiting the Saukville Community Food Pantry.

■ Observatory telescope viewing, Harrington Beach State Park (7 p.m. to 11 p.m.)

Offered by Northern Cross Science Foundation - meet at Puckett's Pond in the park, no reservations necessary! Early in the evening, catch the young crescent moon and the brilliant planet Venus right next to each other! By 8 p.m.

the ringed planet Saturn and the giant planet Jupiter will become featured attractions. We'll also be showing favorites such as the Dumbbell Nebula, Double Cluster, Andromeda Galaxy, and the colorful binary star known as Albireo.

■ Off the Rails Comedy Night at the Ozaukee Nonprofit Center - Grafton (7 p.m. to 9 p.m.)

Enjoy a night of world class comedy at Off the Rails, including some of the greatest comedians the Midwest has to offer! Featured comedians include Grafton's very own Mike Kobin, and host of Off the Rails Podcast, William Krolowitz. Headliner Johnny Beehner has been on David Letterman, The Bob and Tom Show, and is a regular on Sirius XM Radio. Held at the Ozaukee Nonprofit Center in Grafton, ticket sales benefit the Center's work. \$20 general admission, \$40 VIP, and \$300 full table VIP. For more information visit ozaukeeonprofitcenter.org.

Oct. 16

■ Saukville Scare 5K run/walk (9 a.m.)

Join us for this fun Halloween-themed fun run/walk to benefit Saukville Elementary School's free breakfast program. Prizes! Bounce House and DJ, trick or treat, pumpkin pancake breakfast following race. \$25 includes shirt and breakfast. Sign up at www.runsignup.com/Race/WI/Saukville/SaukvilleScare

Oct. 23

■ Scary Bloody Mary Walk by Cedarburg Parks & Recreation

(10:30 a.m.)

Scare up your best costume and walk historic downtown Cedarburg to visit five of 10 bars that are competing for the title of Best Bloody Mary! Choose between the "North Bar Group" or the "South Bar Group" and vote for your faves, plus participants compete and vote for best costume and cash prizes!

Oct. 28

■ Business Trick or Treat (4 p.m. to 7 p.m.) & Nightmare on Elm Street (5 p.m. to 8 p.m.) in Thiensville

Oct. 29-Nov. 11

■ Harry Potter Film Festival

Witches, wizards and muggles will all enjoy the Harry Potter Film Festival at Cedarburg's Rivoli Theatre, where the Cedarburg Chamber and Wilo USA are showing all eight of the original Harry Potter movies from Oct. 29 to Nov. 11! Watch for other fun Harry Potter-themed activities in Cedarburg like costume contests, decorated store windows, and special touches throughout the area. A full schedule and tickets to the films are on sale now at Cedarburg.org.

Oct. 30

■ Boo! At Buechler Farms (8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.)

Come on out to Buechler Farms for Halloween fun that includes a costume party with prizes, unlimited photo booth, snacks, raffle and more, plus live music by Fire on High. Advance tickets can be purchased online. \$10 cover.

Oct. 31

■ Cedarburg Pumpkin Walk (5 p.m. to 9 p.m.)

The streets of downtown Cedarburg come alive with hundreds of carved pumpkins and ghosts, ghouls and goblins of all ages! Some merchants may offer trick or treating, but the real treat is the magic of a small town celebrating the holiday!

Multiple weekend events

■ Appleland Farm Market in Fredonia

A perfect spot for pick-your-own or pre-picked pumpkins, Indian corn, corn stalks, mini pumpkins and gourds to complete your fall decorations. Take a wagon ride out to the pumpkin patch, and visit their store for bakery goods,

lotions, honey and more! For more info visit www.applelandorchard.com. August through October hours: Sunday-Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Pumpkin picking at Buechler Farms in Belgium

Roadside sales of pumpkins, gourds, corn stalks and straw bales during the week and opens from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the weekends in October for pumpkin picking, food, beverages and kids' activities.

■ Cedarburg's Gothic History Tour - Fabulous Frightening Fifties hosted by the Cedarburg Cultural Center

(Oct. 22, 23 and 29 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.)

The Gothic History Tour proudly brings you those Fabulous Frightening Fifties! Immerse yourself in the most dreadful, disturbing and downright disquieting decade ever...hot wars, cold wars, horror movies, lobotomies for mental health, air you could chew and rings that levitated around writhing bodies. Tickets are \$20 pre-sale, \$25 day of event.

■ Port Washington Ghost Walks and Hunts

(Oct. 22, 23, 29, 30 and 31 at 7:30 p.m.)

The Port Washington Ghost Walk explores historic downtown and nearby Union Cemetery. They'll tell the tales of paranormal experiences shared firsthand by Port residents, inexplicable things that have happened on actual ghost walks over the years and organizers' personal experiences from investigations and the ghost walks they've led since 2010. More info at capercompany.com.

■ The Haunt at the Village presented by Ozaukee County 4-H and Ozaukee County Historical Society

(Oct. 15, 16, 22, 23, 29 and 30 from 6 p.m. to 9:40 p.m.)

If you're looking for a great scare this Halloween season, try The Haunt at Pioneer Village in Saukville. After 15 years of scaring people silly, the Haunt knows exactly how to get your heart pounding and your skin crawling. \$15 early bird until Sept. 30, \$20 after Oct. 1. Handicap accessible. More info at cedarburghaunt.com.