

Summer Happenings

Garden Fair Weekend

June 1 - 2 @ Klehm Arboretum

Over 100 vendors selling flowers, antiques, and art descend on Klehm Arboretum's beautiful 155-acre grounds.

Race to the Market 5K ······

June 7 @ Downtown Rockford

Celebrate Rockford City Market's 10th season with a 5K starting at the Rockford City Market pavilion and going through Rockford's southwest region.



Old Settlers Days

June 13 - 16 @ Settlers Park (Rockton)

Old Settlers Days is the largest music festival in the stateline area and features live music performances, carnival rides, food vendors and fireworks.

Phantom Regiment Show of Shows

June 29 @ Boylan High School

Experience the art of musical pageantry as the Show of Shows features some of the best drum and bugle corps in the world.

Celebration July 4 @ Downtown

Rockford

The annual parade on July Fourth goes through downtown Rockford and ends with the SkyConcert Fireworks Show over the Rock River after sunset.

Farmers Markets

Getting local produce and hand-made goods is easy in the Rockford region!

Edgebrook Farmers Market

1639 N. Alpine Rd. (Rockford) Wednesdays, May 1 -October 30 (9 a.m. - 1 p.m.)

HCC Realty Farmers Market/ Colonial Village

1240 S. Alpine Rd. (Rockford) Fridays, May - October (9 a.m. - 1 p.m.)

North End City Market

N. Main & Auburn St. (Rockford) Saturdays, May 18 - October 26 (9 a.m. - 1 p.m.)

Rockford City Market

E. State & Water St. (Rockford) Fridays, May 17 - September 27 (3:30 - 8:30 p.m. before Labor Day, 3:30 - 7:30 p.m. after Labor Day)

Rockford Midtown Market

501 7th St. (Rockford) Saturdays, June 1 -September 9 (9 a.m. - Noon)

Rockton River Market

200 E. Hawick St. (Rockton) Wednesdays, June - August (4 - 8 p.m.)



815 Outside

Find your place to get outside in Winnebago County! (815outside.com)

Forest Preserves of Winnebago County 43 forest preserves in Winnebago County offering unique trails, woods, recreational facilities and more

Klehm Arboretum & Botanic Garden

155 acres of spectacular gardens and rare trees and abundant walking trails

Nature At The Confluence (South Beloit) 100 acres of land surrounded by the Rock River, Turtle Creek and Kelly Creek

Nygren Wetland Preserve (Rockton)

721-acre wildlife sanctuary owned by the Natural Land Institute

Rockford Park District

Dozens of outdoor places to spend recreational time including the 125 neighborhood parks in the region

Severson Dells Nature Center 369 acres of woodland, stream and dolomite cliffs



Rockford Culture Crawl

July 20 @ Various locations

Experience Rockford's art and culture by visiting a variety of local cultural organizations hosting free creative and educational activities for families.

Festa Italiana

August 2 - 4 @ Boylan High School

Bring your family for great Italian food and pastries, entertainment, cultural exhibits, carnival rides and more.

Winnebago County Fair

August 14 - 18 @ Winnebago County Fairgrounds (Pecatonica)

Come to the 98th Annual Winnebago County Fair and enjoy the sights, animals, competitions, music and entertainment.

Rock River Anything That Floats Race

August 18 @ The Rock River

This annual event includes a variety of canoes, kayaks and unique, handmade rafts as they race down the Rock River ending at Prairie Street Brewhouse.

••• Tough Mudder

August 24 - 25 @ Chicago Rockford International Airport

Tough Mudder returns to the Rockford region with their 10-mile course incorporating 25 unique obstacles built for teamwork.

Midtown Ethnic Parade & Festival August 25 @ Midtown District

The parade and festival feature different cultures in the Rockford region and many family-friendly activities for everyone to enjoy.



