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August 29, American Dreamer Picnic Theater, CLC

picnic theater



Favorite actor Tom Milligan returns to the Country Life Center for a Picnic Theater performance of **American Dreamer: The Life & Times of Henry A. Wallace** on Sunday, August 29 at 5:30 pm. Watch your email for menu and ticket details.



award-winning!

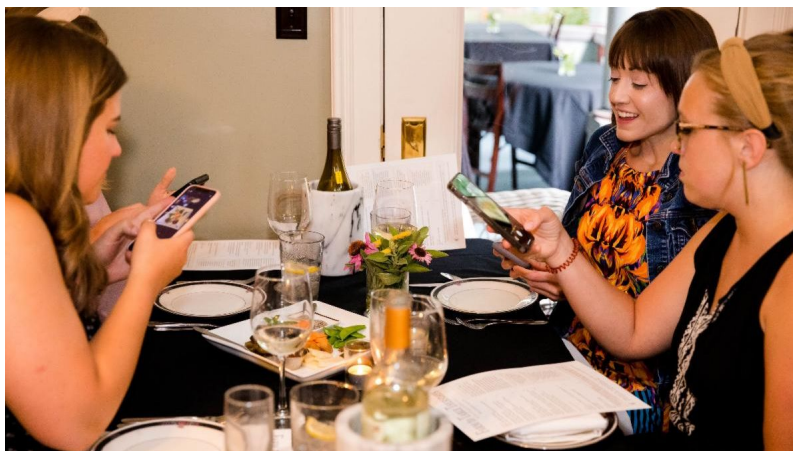
Chef Hans is serving up tasty pizzas plus sides, desserts and specialty drinks. This fun-for-all-ages event also offers live music, yard games, and a

who-o-o are you going to see?



Loving our new Prairie Art Exhibit! **90+** paintings of all kinds of "Prairie Creatures Great & Small" are just waiting for you to come by! The exhibit is open dawn to dusk every day thru October 1 (buildings open 9-3 M-F). The one-mile walk is self-guided and free, thanks to support from the Knock Family Charitable Fund. **Please stay on the path! Wild parsnip is prevalent in the prairie and can cause burns.**

hummingbirds come to dinner



Chef Katie and crew did a run-thru of our Farm to Table Thursday dinners with the Des Moines Hummingbirds (above). These community advocates will be posting about FTT to their social media followers during the next several weeks. The Thursday night dinners have added **outdoor seating** and [online reservations](#) for convenience. Need a bigger table or at a different time? You can always email [Caroline](#) or give us a call at 515.243.7063.

be still, our hearts



Our popular Hearts & Homes Historic Teas return to

9-acre prairie with five permanent art sculptures and our seasonal community art exhibit. **Named Iowa Tourism's Outstanding Event (Rural)!** Advance tickets hold your reservation. **Don't wait!**

[pizza reservations](#)

easy to give



Use our easy and secure [Donate](#) page to give a one-time gift or on a monthly or annual basis.

COVID response



We're open for indoor, in-person events as of July 1! We ask that you wear a mask inside our buildings if you are not vaccinated.

the Wallace House July 23 and every month following! We'll have a new program and a delicious lunch prepared by Chef Katie. Make your [reservations](#) here or call 515.243.7063.

drop-in field day Aug. 25



Get a closer look at one of our latest projects: the historic Corn Plot at the Henry A. Wallace Country Life Center at our Field Day on **Wednesday, August 25**. This demonstration plot includes 5 historic varieties of open-pollinated and hybrid corn developed by Henry A. Wallace & others at Pioneer Hi-Bred. Drop in anytime from 1 to 5 pm for a tour, conversation, popcorn and drinks. WCI staff & Pioneer reps will be on hand. Thanks to Corteva for sponsoring the new plot and to the Greenfield REC for the popcorn and popping machine.



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