



Fall Means  
Festival Time  
in Jackson  
County!



Live Music  
+ Fall =  
Great  
Times

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## Celebrate Halloween With These Spooktacular Happenings



On Friday, October 11, Seymour Main Street will host **Ghouls and Goblets**, in downtown Seymour. Ten area wineries and breweries will be set up in retail locations downtown. The sip and stroll is from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Spooky stories will be read in four locations and guests can hear about the haunted buildings downtown at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30. Two food trucks will be offering treats at One Chamber Square and Lonesome Crow will perform. Tickets are available beginning at 5:30 p.m. on the main level in Reno's Cigar and Martini Bar on North Chestnut Street. Pre sales are \$12 at [www.seymorumainstreet.org](http://www.seymorumainstreet.org) and sales on event day are \$15.

**A Scarecrow Stroll** will also be held in October. Seymour merchants will be decorating their stores and guests can vote for their favorite from October 7 through October 31. Visit Seymour Main Street for details.

Starve Hollow State Recreation Area will offer Harvest and Halloween fun for families during October. **Fall Harvest Weekend**, beginning October 19, will include scarecrow building, craft making and an evening movie. Campers are encouraged to decorate their campsite for a friendly competition. Prizes are awarded. The weekend of October 26, Starve Hollow will offer **Halloween festivities** and guests can trick or treat and see decorations of campers. Morning crafts will be offered as well as a pumpkin painting contest, a costume contest and trick or treating. An "All Things Haunted" haunted house will be offered, as well as a campsite decorating contest. Starve Hollow is located at 4345 S. Co. Rd. 275W., in Vallonia. Call 812-358-3464 for information.

On October 28, **Seymour Downtown Trick or Treat** will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Kids can trick or treat at participating downtown businesses. At 6 p.m., the Halloween parade, sponsored by the Seymour Evening Lions Club, will kick off from the Seymour post office and end at the American Legion parking lot.

Brownstown Ewing Main Street will sponsor **Trick or Trick** on Halloween, Thursday, October 31, beginning at the McDonald's parking lot. The parade will continue to nearby courthouse square. Many businesses will be handing out candy. Festivities get underway at 5:45 p.m. Contact Brownstown Ewing Main Street for details.

# Fall is Full of Fun Festivals for All

Celebrate history on the grounds of the Jackson County History Center September 13-15 during the **Jackson County Heritage Days**. Members of the History Center will offer tours and re-enactors will be situated throughout the property. A ham and bean dinner will be held and porkburgers will be available. Stage entertainment will be held in the Livery Barn. There will also be a cornhole tournament.

The Jackson County History Center is located at 105 N. Sugar Street in Brownstown. For information, call 812-358-2118.

**Seymour Oktoberfest** will celebrate its 47th year when the festival kicks off

October 3. Festivities will continue through October 5, in downtown Seymour.

Check out great food, entertainment and crafts, a biergarten, 5K Walk/Run, talent show, entertainment on three stages and a fantastic parade. Try your luck at the brat-eating contest, the baking contest or the Stein Hoist. Register your kids in the baby contest or prince and princess contest. Enjoy the carnival rides and purchase a bracelet for extra savings.



The **Oktoberfest Game of SKATE** will be held at 4 p.m. October 5, at Schurman-Grubb Memorial Skate Park at 794 N. Park Street, in Seymour. Entry fee is \$10. Spectators are

welcome. For details, call 812-524-7433. Go to [www.seymouroktoberfest.com](http://www.seymouroktoberfest.com) or visit Facebook.

Enjoy fall during the **Houston Fall Festival** from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. October 12. Events take place in and around the Houston School. Visitors can enjoy wagon rides, live music, a variety of vendors, good country food, amusements and vendors. There is even a greased pig contest.



**HOPE Medora Goes Pink** will be held from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. October 12, in downtown Medora. The day kicks off with breakfast at the Medora Senior Citizens Center and health screenings by Schneck Medical Center. Activities throughout the day include a car show/cruise in, 5K run/walk, amusements, volleyball tournament, covered wagon rides and horse drawn carriage rides, barrel rides and trips to the Medora Covered Bridge. A community walk and balloon launch will be held at 12:30 p.m. at Medora Christian Church. The parade will begin at 3 p.m.

Entertainment will be held throughout the day and a variety of attractions are offered.

Call 812-966-2754 or visit Medora Goes Pink on Facebook.

The **Fourth Annual Jackson County Festival of Wine and Brews** will be held from 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, October 12, at W.R. Ewing, 1103-1105 West Spring Street, Brownstown. Area wineries and breweries will be represented and music will be provided. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 the day of the event.

Tickets are available at Jackson County Visitor Center, The Banner and Family Drug.

The event is sponsored by the Beta Mu Chapter of Psi Iota Xi, Jackson County Visitor Center and Masons Washington Lodge 13. Lonesome Crow and Glamercia will provide entertainment during the event.



**Fort Vallonia Days** will be held October 19 and 20 in downtown Vallonia. Events include: Trail Ride, Indian lodges on display, a tomahawk throw, muzzleloader and bow shoots, authentic blacksmith shop, a parade, exhibits, entertainment and food, flea market area, baking contest, baby contest, 5K Walk/Run and fun for the whole family. The Fort Vallonia Museum will be open during the festival. Visit [www.fortvallonia-days.com](http://www.fortvallonia-days.com).

## Experience the Outdoors at Muscatatuck

Something is always happening at Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge and the fall is no exception.

Happenings include:

- \* Nature Time Preschool Class – Held from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Visitor Center on September 11 and October 9.
- \* Guided Bird Walk - Held at 8 a.m. on Saturday, September 21 and Saturday, October 19. Meet at the Visitor Center.
- \* September 28, help celebrate National Public Lands Day with a work day, beginning at 9 a.m. Volunteers of all ages and abilities are accepted.

Log Cabin Day kicks off National Wildlife Refuge Week on Saturday, October 12. The event is held at Myers Cabin and offers a visit to the closed area of the Refuge, a bean supper and a chance to step back in time with pioneer crafts and fun for the kids. Visitors can learn about the Myers family and peek into their restored cabin and barn.

National Wildlife Refuge Week is October 13-19. The closed area of the Refuge will be open during the week. The Big Sit Bird Count is held October 14 and offers volunteers a chance to do a "bird inventory" at the Refuge. Call 812-522-4352.

## Fall in Love with Shopping!

Take a trip to the country and enjoy the **Country Neighbors Reap the Harvest Open House** September 13 and 14. Visit home-based businesses and see one of a kind items. Shops are scattered throughout Jackson and Lawrence counties. For details, visit Country Neighbors on Facebook or call 812-834-5529. The Home for the Holidays Tour will be held November 7-9.

Downtown Seymour businesses will open their doors for **First Thursday** event from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on September 5. Businesses will extend their hours for a night on the town. The Downtown will also be hopping during **Downtown Shop Around Fall in Love with Downtown** on October 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit participating businesses for a chance to win gift certificates. Visit Seymour Main Street on Facebook.

Enjoy two days of shabby chic, vintage and antique items during the **Hen and Chicks Barn Market** September 27

and 28, at 5602 East County Road 100 North in Seymour. Food and drinks are available during the event as well as entertainment, speakers and wine tastings. Entry fee is \$5. For details email [henandchicksbarnmarket@gmail.com](mailto:henandchicksbarnmarket@gmail.com) or visit on Facebook.

**Homegrown Holiday Craft and Vintage Camper Show** will be held October 11 and 12, at Stuckwish Farm Market, 4683 S. State Road 135, Vallonia. Hours are 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Vintage campers are encouraged to set up, food trucks will be on site and there will be plenty of chances to shop. Holiday spirits will be provided by local wine and beer vendors. Call 812-521-8954 or 812-569-1825.

The First United Methodist Church of Seymour will host a **Christmas Craft Bazaar** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 26. A variety of vendors will be on hand and lunch will be available. For details, call 812-522-5264.

# Catch Some Great Music This Fall

## Tunes at Harmony Park

Harmony Park at the Brooklyn Pizza Company will finish out the 2019 season this fall.

\* Friday, September 6 - Joe Persinger and Friends will perform a free show at 7 p.m. with a 6:30 p.m. gate time.

\* Sunday, September 8 - Soul Street will perform from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. as a benefit for Jackson County Special Olympics. A free will offering is accepted. Gates open at 3 p.m. Call 812-592-9162.

\* Friday, September 13 - The Alley Katz take the stage for a free show, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

\* Friday, September 20 - Bomar and Ritter perform a free show. Gate time is 6:30 p.m.

\* Saturday, October 5 - Kegs and Eggs event, featuring a buffet breakfast for \$8 with non-alcoholic beverages and entertainment.

Harmony Park prohibits outside food or drink. The park is located at 753 West Second Street, Seymour. Call 812-524-8888 for details.

## Crossroads Community Park

\* Greemann's Concert of the Century will be held from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 5. Greemann's Furniture is celebrating 100 years in business with live music and family fun. Food and drinks will be available from Bob and Kev's BBQ and the Seymour Brewing Company will be on hand. Free Chillicen desserts will be available for the first 100 kids. Whiskey Wolves of the West will perform at 6:15 p.m. and The Howlin' Brothers play at 7:30 p.m. Bring chairs or blankets.

\* The final Seymour CityJam of 2019 will be held on Thursday, September 19, with the Breakfast Club. Music begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Crossroads Community Park. Food and drinks are available, beginning at 6 p.m. For details, visit Seymour Main Street.

# Enjoy Fall With These Benefit Rides

See the countryside this fall, via motorcycle, classic car or even ATV's and Jeeps, and help a variety of worthy causes.

On September 14, the **4 Ever Young Bike Ride, Car Show, Bike Show and Concert** will be held. Events begin and end at Harmony Park at the Brooklyn Pizza Company, 753 W. Second St., Seymour. The day is in memory of the teen victims of the 2018 Cortland car accident. Sign in for the ride begins at 10 a.m. and the ride leaves at noon. Live music will begin at 4 p.m. and include Mama's Headache, Levi Croquart, Ransom Band and others. Food and drinks available for purchase. Visit Facebook event page.



**Backroads Ridin' 4 the Kids** will offer a charity ATV/UTV/Jeep ride, beginning at 5 p.m. on September 21. Proceeds will benefit the Sertoma Christmas Miracle Fund of Jackson County. Cost is a \$20 donation per vehicle or donation of new toys. The ride leaves from and returns to 8382 W. Co. Rd. 75S., Medora. Bring lawn chairs. Dinner will be served. Visit Backroads Ridin' 4 A

Cause on Facebook.

Also on September 21, a **Fall Cruise In**, hosted by Seymour Area Cruisers, will be held at Sonic Drive-In, 811 W. Tipton St., Seymour. Enjoy the cruise in from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. See the event on Facebook.

The **41st Annual Shari Stahl Memorial Toy Run**, sponsored by ABATE Indiana, Region 7, will be held on September 28. Sign in is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with kickstands up at 1 p.m. The ride starts and ends at the American Legion Post 89, 414 W. Second St., Seymour. Ride registration fee is \$10 per person and the after party is \$5 per person. T-shirts and food are available for purchase. All ages are welcome. Live music with Kill 'N Me Smalls will be held. Call Bryan at 812-216-3575 or Don at 812-521-2709 or email [jackson-coabate@outlook.com](mailto:jackson-coabate@outlook.com).

On October 19, the **Custom Cause Cruise** will be held from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. The Cruise begins at Seymour High School, 1350 W. Second St., Seymour and is hosted by Custom Cause Cruise. This local cruise is for all custom vehicles to help raise money to benefit Double Down Outreach. Raffle tickets available. Food, drinks and music are available following the cruise at Harmony Park at the Brooklyn Pizza Company, 753 W. Second St., Seymour. The cruise is 90 miles with a Poker Run. Contact Matt Vance or Tara Lowe and visit the event on Facebook.

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The **Southern Indiana Center for the Arts** is located at 2001 N. Ewing Street in Seymour and offers art opportunities for the region. This fall is full of great happenings at the center.

September 4-28 - **Edward Jones September Judged Art Show** submissions will be on display. Winners will be announced and honored at the exhibit reception, beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, September 13.

September 15 - **SICA Director Emeritus Don Hill's Book Release**, "I remember my first..." is a collection of memories from Don's journey through life. From editorials to plays, from poetry to writings, Don's musings will entertain and enlighten you. Meet Don and have your book signed from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

**Watercolor Wednesday** is a series of watercolor classes exploring the techniques of working with shape, shading, and color intensity. More advanced classes will be offered later. Julie Dhondt is an Indiana artist who has over twenty years of art experience. Dates are: Sept. 4, 11, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Sept. 18, 25, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Students will work on an 8x10 water color paper. Class fee is \$32 for SICA members, \$40 non-member.

September 9 - **Make It Mondays** will be held September through November from 6:30-8:30 p.m. with Georgiann Coons. Sept. 9 - Basic embroidery; Sept. 23 - Basic Embroidery II. Oct. 14, 28 - Embroidery on wool felt. Cost for each class is \$30 for non-members, \$15 for members. Look ahead to Nov. 11, 25 - Painted nativity. \$60 for non-members for both sessions, discount for members.

Pre-registration and pre-payment required for classes.

During the month of October, SICA will present **Mellencamp: Three Generations of Artists**, featuring artwork from the late Marilyn Mellencamp, her son John Mellencamp and his son, Speck Mellencamp. A members only reception will be held on Thursday, October 10, at the Center. Further details will follow.

Email [sean@soinart.com](mailto:sean@soinart.com), visit [www.soinart.com](http://www.soinart.com) or call 812-522-2278.

## Speedway Wraps Up Season

One of Brownstown Speedway's premier racing events will be held Friday and Saturday, Sept 20-21. The 40th Annual Jackson 100 draws racers from the tri-state area and is sure to entertain.

Friday, September 14 will feature a Jackson Tune Up at the Speedway. Friday, September 20 is the Bowman 50 and Saturday, September 21 will bring Lucas Oil Late Models for the grand event, the 40th running of the Jackson 100.

Other Speedway happenings include: September 28 - Driver Appreciation Night; October 5 - Championship Night; October 10-13 - 24th Annual Brownstown Speedway Funfest.

The Brownstown Speedway is located one mile southeast of Brownstown on Highway 250, at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. Call 812-358-5332 or visit [www.brownstownspeedway.com](http://www.brownstownspeedway.com).

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Jackson County Visitor Center is the official tourism destination marketing and management organization for Jackson County, Indiana. As a strong advocate of sustainable tourism and economic development, the Jackson County Visitor Center markets the county's natural and developed environmental, historical, cultural and industrial attractions to vacation travelers and meeting groups.

## Jackson County Lodging Properties:

**Allstate Inn**, 2603 Outlet Boulevard, Seymour, 812-522-2666

**Berry Branch Cottages**, 10402 N. Co. Rd. 800W., Norman, 812-528-2367

**C&J Properties**, cabin rental, Freetown area, 317-677-5093, [www.vrbo.com/886777](http://www.vrbo.com/886777)

**Days Inn**, 302 Commerce Drive, Seymour, 812-522-3678

**Econo Lodge**, 220 Commerce Drive, Seymour, 812-522-8000

**Economy Inn**, 401 Outlet Boulevard, Seymour, 812-524-2000

**Fairfield Inn**, 327 North Sandy Creek Drive, Seymour, 812-524-3800

**Hampton Inn**, 247 North Sandy Creek Drive, Seymour, 812-523-2409

**Holiday Inn Express**, 249 North Sandy Creek Drive, Seymour, 812-522-1200

**Knights Inn**, 207 North Sandy Creek Drive, Seymour, 812-522-3523

**Motel 6**, 365 Tanger Boulevard, Seymour, 812-524-7443

**Quality Inn**, 2075 East Tipton Street, Seymour, 812-519-2959

**Starve Hollow SRA Cabins**, 4345 South Co. Rd. 275 West, Vallonia, (812) 358-3464

**Travelodge**, 306 South Commerce Drive, Seymour, 812-519-2578

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