



Howard County *Business & Tourism*

Annual Banquet

Featuring Special
Guest Speakers

Tuesday, May 12

Social 5:30pm • Dinner 6pm • Program 6:45pm
Heritage Event Center • 229 3rd Ave W, Cresco



IEDA & IFA Director
Debi Durham

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Hall of Fame Awards
Citizen, Organization & Educator

Howard County Sheriff
Rick Busch
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Tickets
\$40

To reserve your
tickets call
563-547-3434
or email
hcbt@cedausa.com

Family Fun NIGHT

Tuesday,
May 19

4:00-8:00pm

Cresco Fitness Center

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HOUSES
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GUY
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VENDORS



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Greenhouse Trail
Kickoff Weekend
May 2nd

Check out the Trail here



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Pub No. 7 EUCBRE Sunday Afternoons 1:30pm	2 Cresco Wildlife Club 2-Gun Rimfire Match MAY 3 12:30pm	3 Cresco Family Pharmacy BOTH LOCATIONS 20% Senior Discount Day Every TUESDAY	4 Pub No. 7 TRIVIA Wednesday Nights 6-8PM	5 HAPPY MAY DAY RHSHC Community Connection MAY 1st MiEnergy, 5pm	6 1 Notre Dame Catholic School Mini Carnival Notre Dame Gym MAY 1st	7 2
8 Sweeney's LOUNGE Live Music Paulee Budde 12:00-3:00pm	9 Crestwood All School Band Festival April 5th 7pm	10 CINCO DE MAYO Drive-Thru Pantry Fairgrounds, 4:30pm	11 6 Crestwood Dollars for SCHOLARS A Program of Scholarship America 6:30pm	12 7 Gallagher Iowa Drug Free Workplace webinar, 11am	13 8 Riverview Center open to all ages Cresco Library, 5pm	14 9 American Legion Coffee/Treats & Vendors May 9th, 9-11am
15 The CRESCO Scene Shop Open House, 1-3pm	16 ISU Extension 4-H FFA Dairy Project Workshop MAY 11 Ag Ed Center 6:30pm	17 Inspire Day Norman Borlaug Boyhood Farm	18 ECHOES OF THE CRESCO THEATRE A PSYCHIC EXPERIENCE 7pm	19 10 Mother's Day Brunch Heritage Event Center 10am - 1pm	20 11 Howard County Substance Abuse Coalition Prevention 5 The public is invited Crestwood High School 12pm	21 12 NICC Cresco TriMark CNC Bootcamp MAY 12th, 10am
22 Notre Dame Grade 3-5 Spring Concert MAY 11th Theatre, 6:30pm	23 Healthy Steps for Older Adults Cresco Library, 9am	24 Howard County Annual Banquet and Scene Shop Ribbon Cutting 5pm	25 Bethany Housewares Open House 4-6pm Ribbon Cutting 5pm	26 14 Cresco Public Library Mental Health & Aging, 10am	27 15 Larry Reis 10am Spring Warblers	28 16 Veterans Tournament Cresco Country Club 9am
29 VIEW Pancake Breakfast 8-12:30pm	30 Community Health Clinic Fitness Center 7:30-9:30am	31 FAMILY FUN NIGHT Fitness Center 4-8pm	1 CHAMBER BUSINESS COMMITTEE 8:15AM	2 ISU Extension 4-H FFA Swine Project Workshop MAY 20 & 28 Ag Ed Center 6:30pm	3 Pet Wellness Clinic Cresco Library 4-6pm	4 23 Cresco Public Library Cresco Country Club 9am
32 Crestwood Commencement 2pm	33 Cancer Survivor Meeting 5:30pm Am Legion	34 POWER of 10 NICC Calmar 9am	35 20 NICC Virtual Creating an Organizational Culture of Caring 9am	36 21 Cresco Public Library STARTS TODAY FARMERS MARKET HEADLE PARK 3PM	37 22 Last day of Notre Dame Preschool	38 23 Veterans Tournament Cresco Country Club 9am
39 Ranch Breakfast 8am-12pm	40 MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER AND HONOR No School	41 Crestwood & Notre Dame Last Day of Classes	42 27 FASHION EVENT Leuthold's Clothing Open House 5-8pm Style Show at 6pm	43 28 NICC Virtual Boosting Your Organization's Culture with AI MAY 27th 9am	44 29 Cresco Public Library Pet Wellness Clinic Cresco Library 4-6pm	45 30 Veterans Tournament Cresco Country Club 9am
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SIP, SHOP AND STROLL
SHOP CRESCO'S OPEN HOUSES!
JUNE 5 & 6 | VENDOR SHOW JUNE 6

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Memorial Day, Flag Day and Independence Day
May 25 June 14 July 4

Mondays, 5pm VFW
Saturdays, 10am LEC

Upcoming Events

June 1-5
Be Your Own Boss
Camp
NICC Cresco Center

June 2
Primary Election
Fairgrounds

June 4
Cresco Speedway
Races

June 18-20
Cresco City Wide
Garage Sales

June 24 & 25
Cresco Speedway
Races

June 24-28
MIGHTY Howard
County Fair

July 4
Independence Day

July 11
Cresco Tractor Pull
Fairgrounds

July 16
Ridiculous Day

Aug 2
Fly-In Breakfast
Fine Arts Show
Ellen Church Airport
and Beadle Park

Cresco Theatre Scene Shop

Ribbon Cutting



Tuesday, May 12 at 5PM

Followed by the Howard County
Business & Tourism Banquet
at the Heritage Event Center



TOURS
AVAILABLE

Scene Shop Open House
Sunday, May 3 • 1-3pm

Grandpa Tom's Barne

HANDS-ON, INTERACTIVE AG EDUCATION
FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES

Donations can be made to:
Howard County
Agricultural Society
P.O. Box 83, Cresco, IA 52136
or visit mhcfair.com/donate/
or scan the QR code!

Your contribution will be recognized
for Grandpa Tom's Barne.



Building Big Dreams

Help us create an opportunity for our future



Mini Carnival



Friday, May 1

Notre Dame School Gym

221 2nd Ave East, Cresco | 563-547-4513

**RAFFLE • POP TOSS • VARIETY BOOTH
GOLF • BINGO • POPCORN
BASKETBALL • FISH POND**

Lunch Stand Opens at 11am
K-5 Games & Bingo Starts at 12:30pm
Raffle Drawing at 2:15pm

**OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC!**

Don't miss Larry Reis' talk on

Spring Warblers May 15, 2026 10am

Check out all the
EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



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Cresco and Notre Dame ALL SCHOOL REUNION

August 21-23, 2026



EVENT DETAILS
AND FILLABLE
REGISTRATION FORM

LIVE MUSIC
SATURDAY
NIGHT

Incognito

at the Harvest Tent during **NORMAN BORLAUG
HARVEST FEST**



Gallagher

Thursday, May 7th, 11am

REGISTER HERE



Gallagher will be hosting an **Iowa Drug Free Workplace webinar** intended for organizations that conduct drug testing of their employees.

This program is intended to meet the Iowa training requirements for companies implementing a drug and alcohol testing program.



FASHION EVENT

Leuthold's Clothing
202 N Elm St, Cresco
Wednesday, May 27
Open House 5-8pm
Style Show at 6pm



LET'S GOOOOOO RACING! THURSDAY, JUNE 4



**HOT LAPS 7PM
GRANDSTAND
ADMISSION \$5
PIT PASS \$30**

**USRA STOCK CARS,
USRA B-MODS, USRA HOBBY
STOCKS, USRA TUNERS, ECO-MODS**

SCANDINAVIAN CAPITALS

April 13 - April 21, 2027



For more information,
please contact Jason at
(563) 547-3434 or email
jason@howard-county.com



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& SAVE**

~~\$5,874 PER PERSON~~
\$5,574 PER PERSON*

if deposited by June 30! * Use Code CASC300

COMMUNITY CONNECTION: Behavioral Health Meet & Greet

Looking to meet new people and build meaningful connections? Join us for a relaxed and welcoming Community Connection Get-Together.

FRIDAY
May 1st, 2026

TIME
5:00 - 7:00 PM

MIENGERY: WEST CONFERENCE ROOM
24049 IA-9, CRESCO IA 52136

Come enjoy a comfortable space where you can:

- Meet others in your community & our BH providers
 - Engage in friendly conversation
 - Build new connections in a supportive environment
- Conversation Starters will be provided to help keep things easy and enjoyable- no pressure, just connection!

COMPLIMENTARY MEAL

Whether you are looking to expand your social circle or simply enjoy good conversation, **we'd love to see you there!**

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America's 250th

Celebrate America's 250th by purchasing a shirt from the American Legion! proceeds go to the American Legion Post 135



\$20



2026 and CWC celebrates 80 years!

Cresco Wildlife Club presents Summer Sunday Series A 2-Gun Rimfire Match

May 3rd June 7th July 5th August 2nd September 6th
Awards: October 11th during CWC membership meeting at 6pm

FAMILY-FRIENDLY BEGINNER-FRIENDLY

A timed, 2-Gun event where you shoot the targets in the order that is described in the stage instructions (posted the day of) 5 stages, each stage shot one time.

Penalties for missed target and incorrect order. Number of targets varies, could be 3 to 20 targets per stage. Distances are such that beginners won't be intimidated and scopes aren't needed. Rifle targets under 20 yards. No holsters, everything is usually staged on the table or from low ready position or some variation according to stage instructions.

Rifle to Pistol Transitions
Action rimfire, no benchrest; but not tactical; a comfortable middle ground that suits a variety of abilities and price points. We will have fun but safety is a priority! Strict professional safety protocols will be in place (cold range, 180-degree rule) but we have the freedom to make the stages fun and varied.

\$5 CWC Members	\$10 Nonmembers
Noon - Gates Open 12:30 PM - Be Registered/Checked-In by 12:45 PM - Mandatory Safety Brief 01:00 PM - Match Begins	Shooting Divisions: Open Youth 17 and under Ladies 18 and over Senior 60 and over

- Open Sights Welcome
- Optics Welcome
- Lasers Welcome
- Multiple Mags are Beneficial
- 1 Rifle, semi-auto
- 1 Pistol, semi-auto
- 100+ .22LR Rounds
- Eye and Ear Protection

Attend 3 of 5 matches for end of season awards.

Location: CWC Gooder Field, 9843 Valley Ave., Cresco, IA 52136
Got Questions? Call John Hill 507-459-3690

Power of 10



Wednesday, May 20, 2026
9-11am

Speakers:



Amy Lasack
Northeast Iowa Community College

Ben Grimstad
Decorah Bank & Trust

Denny Ford
Norplex-Micarta

Hollie McCormick
Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative

Kris Einck
Howard Winn & South Winn Schools

Lynn Hopp
TriMark

Mike Bollinger
Seed Savers Exchange

Rachelle Howe
Upper Explorerland

Rick Busch
Howard County Sheriff's Office

Steve Slessor
WinnMed

The Power of 10 brings together 10 local leaders to share quick, impactful insights and strategies. This fast-paced event offers fresh ideas and practical takeaways to inspire professionals to lead with confidence and innovation.

Cost: \$29

Course: #105898

Location: Wilder Business Center, Calmar



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563.562.3263, ext. 1399

Take the AMERICA 250 CHALLENGE

*Our local Veterans and Boy Scouts are asking Residents, Businesses & Organizations to fly your American Flag:

***Memorial Day, May 25th *Flag Day, June 14th and *4th of July**

If you don't have a flag, call the Boy Scouts (563.880.0023) to put one in your yard or call American Legion (563.379.7697) to purchase a flag

SAVE THE DATES!

CRESCO, IA CITY-WIDE RUMMAGE SALES

JUNE 18-20, 2026



P.O. Box 117 • 116 2nd Ave. S.E.
Cresco, IA 52136
563-547-2025

Pet Wellness Clinic

May 22nd 4:00 - 6:00 P.M.

Cresco Public Library

Dog Services

- Rabies (\$15)
- Bordetella (\$20)
- Leptospirosis (\$22)
- Heartworm Test (\$25)
- Fecal Float Test (\$20)
- Brief Vet Exam (\$15)
- Microchip (\$25)
- Ear Cleaning (\$20)
- Nail Trim (\$20)
- Express anal glands (\$20)
- DAPP (Free through Petco Love)

Cat Services

- Microchip (\$25)
- Ear Cleaning (\$20)
- Cat Nail Trim (\$15)
- PRC (free through Petco Love)
- Rabies (\$15)
- Fecal Float Test (\$20)
- FIV/FelV test (\$40)
- Brief Veterinary Exam (\$15)

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS



There's still time to install solar and receive the 30% Commercial Solar Tax Credit

The federal tax credit is still available for businesses that begin construction by July 4th, 2026 and have projects fully installed by December 31, 2027. This tax credit will typically shorten the payback period for this investment to 7 - 8 years for most businesses.

For more information and details, contact Paul Lovell, Executive Director of the Howard County Energy District (HCED)
paul.lovell@cleanenergydistricts.org 563-419-4216



CRUISE NIGHT

LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

APRIL - SEPTEMBER
628 2ND AVE SW 547-3112 5-8PM

WARMER WEATHER IS ON ITS WAY!



ECHOES OF THE CRESCO THEATRE

A PSYCHIC EXPERIENCE

SATURDAY, MAY 9 AT 7PM

A night with Psychic Don Marlette and locals who have had experiences at the theatre



TICKETS \$20

SCAN THE QR CODE

Also available at CUSB Bank, Cresco Bank & Trust, Chamber, City Hall and Theatre.



crescotheatreoperahouse.com • 115 Second Ave W, Cresco • f

McAllister's

Mother's Day

MAY 10 2026

10am - 1pm

Dine-in Upper Level or Carry Out available



VOLUNTEERS OR GROUPS NEEDED

The Chamber Business Committee needs help making Moo Mobile shakes during the fair on

THURSDAY JUNE 25

Everyone is welcome to lend a hand!

Call 563-547-3434 or email hcbt@cedausa.com



Blood Drive



American Red Cross

**THURSDAY
MAY 7
10AM-3PM
MIENERGY COOPERATIVE**

GRANDSTAND ENTERTAINMENT



JUNE 24-28, 2026
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Save \$\$\$ -- Buy a Pay-One-Price FAIR FUN CARD
Attend all grandstand shows with purchase of Fair Fun Card. Price is just \$50 each before Fair or \$60 at the Fair (9 yrs. & up). Free 8 yrs. & under. Single night admission available.

EVANS UNITED SHOWS ON THE MIDWAY
BUD LIGHT EXPO PAVILION
Live Entertainment Wed-Sat

Wednesday, June 24 • 6:45pm

STOCK CAR RACES



USRA Stock Cars
USRA B-Modifieds
USRA Hobby Stocks
USRA Tuners
Eco-Mods

Thursday, June 25 • Hot Laps 6:45pm

STOCK CAR RACES



Karl Chevrolet Premier Late Model Tour
Also racing:
USRA Stock Cars
USRA B-Modifieds
USRA Hobby Stocks

Friday, June 26 • 7pm

3 PROMOTIONS DEMOLITION DERBY



CLASSES INCLUDE:
Midsize Limited Weld - 1st \$2,000; 2nd \$1,000; 3rd \$750
Bone-Stock Full-Size - 1st \$1,500; 2nd \$750; 3rd \$500
Full-Size 1/2 Ton Gut and Go Trucks - 1st \$1,500; 2nd \$750; 3rd \$500
MWFA - 1st \$1,000; 2nd \$500; 3rd \$250

Saturday, June 27 • 8pm

PARTY IN THE PIT!



Featuring **JOE NICHOLS**
Thank you to our friends at KNEE 103.5, Wokos, IA
KNEE 103.5
Featuring **HAILEY WHITTERS**
Getting the Party Started is Special Guest

Sunday, June 28 • 6pm

T&C PRO RODEO



FIREWORKS after the Rodeo



Healthy Steps for Older Adults

New fall prevention program!

Learn how to protect yourself and live a full and active life, free from the fear of falling.



Monday, May 11

**9am-3pm • Cresco Public Library
320 N. Elm Street, Cresco**

Lunch is provided, and participants will receive a comprehensive program handbook to take home.

The class is offered with a suggested voluntary contribution of \$25, and scholarships are available for those who request financial assistance.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT BY MAY 4
by contacting Jordyn Moore at 563-547-2540



CRESCO CENTER



1020 2nd Ave SE ~ 563-547-3355 ~ crescocenter@nicc.edu
Ryan Kreitzer, Center Director

- May 12 TriMark CNC Bootcamp, NICC Cresco, 9-10:30am, #106454
- May 13 NICC Virtual: Creating an Organizational Culture of Caring 9-10:30am, #105762
- May 27 NICC Virtual: Boosting Your Organization's Culture with AI 9-11am, #105529
- June 1-5 Be Your Own Boss Camp - Mon-Fri, 8:30am-4pm, #106324
- June 9-11 Youth Welding Camp LEVEL 1 9-12pm, #106302

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Extension and Outreach
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IN HOWARD COUNTY

MAY 2026 CALENDAR

Sue Barnes, 547.3001, 132 1st Ave W, Cresco

- May 11 4-H FFA Dairy Project Workshop
Ag Education Center, Fairgrounds, 6:30pm
- May 20, 28 4-H FFA Swine Project Workshop
Ag Education Center, Fairgrounds, 6:30pm
- June 9 4-H FFA Dairy Project Workshop, Extension, 7am
- June 18 4-H FFA Dairy Project Workshop, Extension, 6pm

MIGHTY Howard County Fair * June 24-28 * Fairgrounds

Cresco Area Chamber of Commerce
101 2nd Ave SW
Cresco, IA 52136



CONTACT US
Give us a call for more
information about our services
and opportunities.

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The Mission of the Cresco Area Chamber of Commerce is to
develop and grow new and existing businesses, promote community involvement and to encourage business alliances.

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