

OCTOBER

Chamber
Connections

2025



TRUNK OR TREAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

CRESO FITNESS CENTER

316 3RD AVE E

4-6PM

BE A VENDOR



SIGN UP TODAY



SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 1

COME JOIN US FOR THE

FITNESS CENTER

316 3RD AVE E

5:30PM

THE SPOOK SPRINT

WILL YOU SURVIVE?

\$25 ENTRY FEE GETS FREE T-SHIRT

TROPHIES FOR SCARIEST, FUNNIEST, & BEST COSTUME

REGISTER AT FITNESS CENTER BY OCT 16TH TO GUARANTEE T-SHIRT



OCTOBER

Join the Cresco Chamber
for a 9-day adventure!

**TIMELESS
TUSCANY**
March 22-30
2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Kessel Kids Porch Pot Sale Now - October 31st 	BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH 	OFFICIAL WEBSITE For Howard County Special Assessments and Mobile Homes due Penalty attaches Oct 1st Cresco Family Pharmacy BOTH LOCATIONS 20% Senior Discount Day Every TUESDAY	1 ISU Extension FARM SAFETY DAY FOR 5TH GRADERS Fairgrounds, 9am FLU SHOT Cresco Family Pharmacy South 9-10am ISU Extension Mindful Teen From Surviving to Thriving Cresco Public Library, 6pm October 1, 8, 15, 22	2 FLU SHOT Kessel Lodge DRIVE THROUGH ONLY 9-11am CRESO FARMERS MARKET BEADLE PARK 3PM Every Thursday Beadle Park 3-6pm American Legion if raining	3 NATIONAL MEG DAY MANUFACTURING DAY	4 Sweeney's LOUNGE Anniversary and Customer Appreciation 12pm to close
5 4H National 4-H Week October 5-11	6 Hospice Sept 15-Nov 3 Every Monday Book-Based Grief Support 547-6343	7 FLU SHOT Cresco Family Pharmacy South 2-3pm Drive-Thru Pantry Fairgrounds 4:30pm	8 City of Cresco Flushing Hydrants October 8-10	9 A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra MY WAY	10 CRESO PUBLIC LIBRARY Larry Reis 10am Fall Colors	11 7:30PM Heritage Event Center
12	13 Howard County Substance Abuse Coalition Prevention 5 The public is invited Crestwood High School 12pm Columbus Day	14	15 CHAMBER BUSINESS COMMITTEE 8AM FLU SHOT Cresco Family Pharmacy South 9-11am	16 Dr. Norman Borlaug Day State of Iowa Holiday National Bosses Day	17 YOUTH PHEASANTS Hunt OCT 18TH GOODER FIELD 10AM Harvest Table with chef Pete Kerns Oct 18th 8-9pm	18 CHILI DIPPER Tournament Minnesota/Iowa Permit to Carry Class Fairgrounds, 9am-7pm
19 VFW Pancake Breakfast 8-12pm Ranch Breakfast 8am - 12pm Open to the public	20 Cancer Survivor Meeting 5:30pm Am Legion First Lutheran Meatball Dinner Drive thru only 10am-1pm No School	21 FLU SHOT Cresco Family Pharmacy South 2-3pm NICC Cresco Center Pottery Painting 3:45-5pm NICC Virtual Microsoft Excel 2021 Level 1 3:30-5pm Oct 21, 23, 28, 30	22 ISU Extension Forest, Aquatic, and Right-of-Way Pest Control Extension, 9:40am	23 Hospice Grief Series: You're Not Crazy, Your Grieving RHSCH, 6-7:30pm	24 THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW October 31st Cresco Theatre MIDNIGHT	25 MITCHELL HALE & A Tribute To JOHNNY CASH THE TENNESSEE TRIO Evans Senior Living Community TRUNK OR TREAT 2-4pm CLOSING PARTY
26	27 Notre Dame Catholic School FAITH - FAMILY - EXCELLENCE Parent/Teacher Conf - Oct 27 & 28 Book Fair - Oct 25-30 Mondays, 5pm FLC Saturdays, 10am LEC	28 FLU SHOT Kessel Lodge DRIVE THROUGH ONLY 9-12pm Parent/Teacher Conferences Oct 28 & 30 Early dismissal Notre Dame & Howard-Winn First Responders Day	29 LifeServe Your Blood. Your Hospital. Your Neighbors. VFW 12-5:30pm	30 Parent/Teacher Conferences Oct 28 & 30 Early dismissal Notre Dame & Howard-Winn Kessel Kids TRUNK OR TREAT 4-5:30pm	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT CRESO FITNESS CENTER 4-6PM	THE SPOOK SPRINT 2+ NOVEMBER 1 5:30pm

Upcoming Events

Nov 1
Spooky Sprint Fun Run
Fitness Center

Nov 2
Fall Festival Dinner
Immanuel Lutheran

Nov 4
Election Day
7am-8pm

Nov 7
Jingle in Your Pocket
Begins!

Nov 8
Veterans Banquet
Expo Center Fairgrounds

Nov 11
Veterans Day

Nov 21
Chamber Banquet
First Jingle Drawing

Nov 23
Christmas Open House

Nov 27
Happy Thanksgiving

Nov 28
Santa Parade
*Second Jingle Drawing
Courthouse after Parade*

Nov 29
Small Business
Saturday
and Holiday Craft Fair
Fairgrounds

CCT PRODUCTIONS Presents
A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra
 Spend an evening with us at Heritage Event Center



7:30PM
FRIDAY & SATURDAY

OCTOBER 10 and 11

2021 Revised Edition
 Conceived by David Grapes and Todd Olson
 Book by Todd Olson
 Copyright © 1999, 2019, 2021 by Summerwind Productions LLC
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2025



Hors d'oeuvres and Dessert, Dancing, Cash Bar & Classic Cocktails, come dressed up in your favorite Sinatra Era
Proceeds to go to the Scene Shop Campaign

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT CRESCO CHAMBER, CUSB BANK, CRESCO BANK & TRUST
 Tickets limited to 100 per night

Make plans to shop local this holiday season!

Put the **Jingle!** in your pocket!

It all begins on **Nov 7th**

Winners Announced:
November 21, 28 and December 5, 12

Thank you to our sponsors:



CUSB Bank



Cresco Bank
 A DIVISION OF DECORAH BANK & TRUST CO.

More

TRUNK OR TREAT



Evans Senior Living
Community

OCTOBER 25, 2-4PM



KESSEL KIDS
INSPIRING ~ NURTURING ~ CONNECTING

OCTOBER 30, 4-5:30PM

4TH ANNIVERSARY AND CUSTOMER APPRECIATION



SATURDAY
OCTOBER
4TH

12PM TO CLOSE

ALL DAY HAPPY HOUR!

POTLUCK AND BEER BUCKETS



Howard County Businesses

We value your opinion!

Take this Howard-Winn Survey:

**Help us with job shadowing, business tours,
guest speakers, mock interviews, internships,
apprenticeships, community service for our
students in grades 7-12**

By participating in this SURVEY,
you are actively shaping the future of our workplace



SAVE the DATE

**FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 21st**

CHAMBER/CIDC BANQUET

'Come on Down!' It's Game Show Night

**Years of Service Awards
Business & Organization of the Year
First Jingle in Your Pocket Drawing**

Tickets at hcbt@cedausa.com or 547-3434

RISE AND SHINE

Indulge in a Delicious Adventure

OCTOBER 19TH

Ranch Breakfast
8am - 12pm



Meatball Dinner
Drive Thru Only
10am-1pm



National 4-H Week

October 5-11, 2025



Oct 6: Go **GREEN**

Wear green all day

Oct 9: **Impact Day**

Recognizing all the positive community impacts of 4-H

Beyond Ready

#4HBeyondReady #National4HWeek

VETERANS BANQUET

SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 8

TICKETS \$20

5pm Social, 6pm Dinner, 7pm Program

McAllister Catering

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER
DEE HOSEK**

QUILT RAFFLE
CRAFTED BY COLEEN CAUWELS
MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

TICKETS \$5



Tickets available at the Chamber
CUSB Bank, OX & Wren
Immanuel Lutheran
Cresco Bank & Trust
or any Veteran

FREE MEAL to VETERANS NOV 5th 11am-1pm at Heritage

Army Navy Marines Air Force Coast Guard Space Force National Guard Reserves

Johnny Cash Tribute Band Concert



THE TENNESSEE TRIO

Saturday, OCTOBER 25TH

General admission: \$20

2pm and 7pm Shows

Doors open 1 hour early for each show



Scan code and choose your time

Tickets available at
CUSB Bank
Cresco Chamber
Cresco Bank & Trust
City Hall & Cresco Theatre



115 2nd Ave West, Cresco
563-547-1066
crescotheatreoperahouse.com

Don't miss Larry Reis' talk on

Fall Colors

October 10th at 10am

Check out all the
Cresco Public Library

**EVENTS
& ACTIVITIES**

cresco.lib.ia.us 320 N Elm St 563-547-2540



Kick off your Autumn
with a **Farm Crawl Experience!**

Find out more at

visitnortheastiowa.com

NORTHEAST IOWA

**FARM
CRAWL**

**Fall Season
Experience**



Have you signed up?

Don't let Mrs. Claus get after you!

scan the QR codes and register today

Let us know your
HOURS

Christmas Open House and
Small Business Saturday



Register Today!



**Santa's
Holiday Parade**

Thank you to our sponsors!

MiEnergy, Panda Garden, Alum-line, Black Hills, Shopper, Plantpeddler
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MIDNIGHT SHOWING

OCTOBER 31, 2025



**COSTUMES ENCOURAGED
BRING YOUR OWN PROPS
NO WATER PLEASE**

**THE ROCKY
HORROR
PICTURE SHOW**

TICKETS: \$8

crescotheatreoperahouse.com 563-547-1066 115 2nd Ave W, Cresco
Doors open at 11:45pm Must be 18 years or older

2025 Adult Flu Shot Schedule

The CDC (Center for Disease Control) recommends anyone over six months of age obtain a seasonal flu vaccine each year.

Date	Time	Location
October 1	9:00AM – 10:00AM	CFP South (RHSHC)
October 2	9:00AM – 11:00AM	Kessel Lodge, Cresco— DRIVE THRU ONLY
October 7	2:00PM – 3:00PM	CFP South (RHSHC)
October 9	1:00PM – 2:00PM	Elma Clinic (RHSHC)
October 15	9:00AM – 11:00AM	CFP South (RHSHC)
October 16	10:30AM – 1:00PM	Protivin Community Center
October 21	2:00PM – 3:00PM	CFP South (RHSHC)
October 28	9:00AM – 12:00PM	Kessel Lodge, Cresco— DRIVE THRU ONLY

Also,
Flu Shots
at Express
Clinic

It may be **LEGAL** to strap on a pistol & start carrying in Iowa now
but is it **WISE** to do so without the proper training?

**MINNESOTA & IOWA
PERMIT TO CARRY CLASS**
One of THE MOST COMPLETE Permit to
Carry training programs offered!

Our 10 Hour Sessions will teach you how to Properly Carry Firearms.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2025

Pre-Registration at 8:30 am; Class from 9 am-7 pm.
Must be 21 or older; Photo ID Required
Firearms and ammunition will be provided for qualification
Cresco Wildlife Club
Howard County Fairgrounds, Cresco, IA

DO YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS AN ARMED CITIZEN? LEARN FROM A CERTIFIED NRA INSTRUCTOR

Call: Todd Stephenson at (563)547-5071 for more info or to reserve your seat!

BROUGHT TO YOU BY KESSEL KIDS & PLANTPEDDLER

WINTER PORCH POT SALE

PREORDERS ONLY

DUE BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025

CHOOSE FROM

13" PREMIUM HOLIDAY PORCH POT, \$40

15" PREMIUM HOLIDAY PORCH POT, \$50

15" GNOME FESTIVE PORCH POT, \$50



PICKUP AT KESSEL

MONDAY, NOV 24, 4-6PM

TUESDAY, NOV 25, 4-6PM

SCAN AND FILL OUT ORDER FORM



CASH, CHECK, OR
VENMO @KESSELKIDSSPTA

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS CLASSROOM SUPPLIES AND SNACKS

TIMELESS TUSCANY

MARCH 22 - MARCH 30, 2026
WITH CRESCO AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ADELMAN
DISCOVERIES

Scan QR Code to Book Now



JOIN US
FOR A
9-DAY
JOURNEY



BOOK & SAVE
\$5,649 PER PERSON
\$5,449 PER PERSON
if deposited by October 31! *
Use Code CRESCO200

Please contact **Jason Passmore** at (563) 547-3434 or jason@howard-county.com for more information.



Cresco Wildlife Club
BINGO
It all starts
November 2nd
12pm doors open 1pm BINGO
Refreshments available

LifeServe
BLOOD CENTER
Your Blood. Your Hospital. Your Neighbors.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29th
VFW Hall, 12-5:30pm

FEATHERLITE
TRAILERS



Featherlite and
American Legion Post 135
have partnered to send
care packages to local
active duty soldiers that
are currently deployed

DEPLOYED CARE PACKAGE

Possible donation items include:

Dry Gatorade, T-shirts, Dried Snacks,
Hand Wipes, Personal Hygiene, Sanitary Items,
Batteries, Cleaning Supplies, Hard Candy,
Small Christmas Decorations, \$ for Postage,
cards, and other small comforts

Drop Off Locations:
Cresco Chamber and Featherlite

For more information: 563-547-3434



CRESCO CENTER



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

- Oct 14 NICC Virtual: Building Teams That Work, 9am, #100667
- Oct 21 Pottery Painting, NICC Cresco Center, 3:45-5pm, #104226
- Oct 21, 23, 28, 30 NICC Virtual: Microsoft Excel 2021: Level 1
3:30-5:30pm, #103215
- Nov 11 NICC Virtual: Navigating Through Tough Times
9-10am, #100508
- Nov 18, 20, 25 NICC Virtual: Microsoft Excel 2021: Level 2
3:30-5:30pm, #103216

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY Extension and Outreach

BUILDING A
#STRONGIOWA
IN HOWARD COUNTY

**OCTOBER
2025 CALENDAR**

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

- Sept 17, 22, Oct 1, 8, 15, 22 Mindful Teen From Surviving to Thriving
Cresco Public Library, 6pm
- Oct 1 4-H Farm Safety Day for Fifth Graders, Fairgrounds, 9am
- Oct 22 Forest, Aquatic and Rite of Way training, Extension, 9:40am
- Nov 12 Ornamental & Turf Pest Control training, Extension, 9am
- Nov 18 Fumigation training, Extension, 9am
- Nov 27-28 Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

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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