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## Hotel Madison Winter Wine Weekend February 23rd-25th @ Hotel Madison

Winter Wine Weekend has proven to be one of Hotel Madison's most popular events and a favorite among the winemakers as well as their guests and community. Connect with family, friends and others at Hotel Madison over this shared interest of wine.

Multiple events will be offered from experiential learning and wine-paired dinners with experts to the Grand Tasting on Saturday with up to 15 participating wineries and a special Sunday brunch. Wine-related vendors will be here, too.

Visit hotelmadison.com to purchase tickets.



Take and Bake Pizza Night! Friday, February 9, 2024 5-7pm - Clubhouse Join us for our Take & Bake Pizza Night! Come to the clubhouse to build your favorite pizza from our pizza bar, then take your masterpiece back to your apartment and bake at 350 degrees for 8-10 minutes. Ooey, gooey, cheesy, yummy! Viva la pizza!



#### **Office Hours**

 Monday
 10:00 am-6:00 pm

 Tuesday
 10:00 am-6:00 pm

 Wednesday
 10:00 am-6:00 pm

 Thursday
 10:00 am-6:00 pm

 Friday
 10:00 am-6:00 pm

 Saturday
 9:00 am-2:00 pm

 Sunday
 Closed

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### Coffee & Conversation: 2/13

Coffee & Conversation happens in the Clubhouse, at 10am, on the 2nd Tuesday of every month!



#### Learn About Leap Year

The special and fleeting 29th day of February is known as Leap Day, occurring about once every four years. A year with this extra day is called a leap year—and 2024 is one of them! Take the leap and learn more about this timely phenomenon.

- Though a calendar year is 365 days, the Earth actually takes 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 45 seconds to completely orbit the sun. Without Leap Day, every year would be missing six hours, and after 100 years, our calendar would be off by a whopping 24 days.
- Leap years help the seasons stay consistent. Without them, eventually August would be a spring month!
- Roman leader Julius Caesar created the first Leap Day around 45 B.C.
- A leap year doesn't occur *every* four years. A year ending in "00" must be divisible by 400 or it functions as a normal 365-day year. Hence, 2000 was a leap year, but 1900 wasn't, and 2100 won't be, either.
- The tradition of men proposing to women is flipped on Leap Day. In some countries, it's said that if a man says no to the proposal, he must pay up—in Denmark, men gift a dozen pair of gloves, and in Finland, fabric for a skirt.
- There is a one in 1,461 chance of being born on Leap Day; these babies are known as "leapers" or "leaplings."
- Even with leap years, the Earth's rotation doesn't completely match up with our calendar, so scientists occasionally implement a "leap second" to even out the score. The last one happened in December 2016.



# National Ice Cream For Breakfast Day!

It's National Ice Cream for Breakfast Day on February 3rd! Join Smiley's Ice Cream for their Waffles and Ice Cream Event from 7:30am to 11am. They will be making homemade regular waffles and red velvet waffles (Gluten Free waffles available) and will be offering whipped cream, fresh blueberries and strawberries, mini chocolate chips, syrup, butter, and fresh fruit yogurt parfaits. They will be featuring Maple ice cream and Cinnamon Brown Sugar ice cream during this time only.



# Bowl for Kids' Sake! February 23rd & 24th

Join Big Brothers Big Sisters of Harrisonburg-Rockingham for their signature fundraising event, Bowl for Kids' Sake! This year they are bowling under the big top! Friday Bowling Times: 3:30-5 pm, 5:30-7 pm, 7-8:30 pm; Saturday Bowling Times: 10:30 am-12, 12-1:30 pm, 1:30-3 pm. When registering you will choose 1 time slot for your team to bowl. Register by Friday, February 16th, to receive a T-shirt at the event!

Register online at www.bbbshr.org Questions? Email: lindsey@bbbshr.org



## Shrek the Musical Jr. @ Court Square Theater SHOWTIMES

Thurs (2/22) 7:30 Fri (2/23) 7:30 Sat (2/24) 3:00 + 7:30 Sun (2/25) 3:00 TICKETS

\$15.00 Student Advanced \$20.00 Student at Door \$20.00 Adult Advanced \$25.00 Adult at Door Books and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire. Music by Jeanine Tesori. Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig. Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions.

Beauty is in the eye of the ogre in Shrek The Musical Jr., based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film and fantastic Broadway musical. It's a "big, bright, beautiful world" as everyone's favorite ogre, Shrek, leads a cast of fairytale misfits on an adventure to rescue a princess and find true acceptance. Part romance and part twisted fairytale, Shrek Jr. is an irreverently fun show with a powerful message for the whole family. More details at courtsquaretheater.org.





## East Rockingham High School Presents: Sweeney Todd February 15th-18th

An infamous tale, Sweeney Todd, an unjustly exiled barber, returns to nineteenth-century London, seeking vengeance against the lecherous judge who framed him and ravaged his young wife. The road to revenge leads Todd to Mrs. Lovett, a resourceful proprietress of a failing pie shop, above which he opens a new barber practice. Mrs. Lovett's luck sharply shifts when Todd's thirst for blood inspires the integration of an ingredient into her meat pies that has the people of London lining up... and the carnage has only just begun!



### Spotswood High School Presents: Anastasia February 29th-March 3rd

Inspired by the beloved films, ANASTASIA transports us from the twilight of the Russian Empire to the euphoria of Paris in the 1920s, as a brave young woman sets out to discover the mystery of her past. Pursued by a ruthless Soviet officer determined to silence her, Anya enlists the aid of a dashing conman and a lovable ex-aristocrat. Together, they embark on an epic adventure to help her find home, love, and family.

#### **Raspberry Streusel Muffins** Muffin Ingredients:

- Nonstick cooking spray
- 1 1/2 cups whole-grain sorghum flour
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 3/4 cup buttermilk
- 1/3 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
- · 3 egg whites
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- · 2 teaspoons grated lemon zest
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup fresh or frozen raspberries

# Streusel Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons whole-grain sorghum flour
- · 2 tablespoons light brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons quick-cooking rolled oats
- 2 tablespoons chopped pecans
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon **Directions**:

Heat oven to 400° F. Lightly coat a 12-cup muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray.

In a large bowl, stir sorghum flour, cinnamon and baking soda together. In a separate bowl, whisk buttermilk, brown sugar, egg whites, oil, lemon zest and vanilla. Stir wet ingredients into flour mixture. Spoon the batter into muffin cups and top each cup with raspberries.

In a small bowl, stir streusel ingredients together until crumbly. Sprinkle over muffins.

Bake muffins for 16 minutes. Cool on a wire rack for 20 minutes.

Find more recipes at *Heart.org.* 



#### Wit & Wisdom

"How sweet the words of truth, breathed from the lips of love." —James Beattie

"Once in a young lifetime one should be allowed to have as much sweetness as one can possibly want and hold." —Judith Olney

"What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet." —William Shakespeare

"Life is short, and it is up to you to make it sweet." —Sarah Louise Delany

"The road to greatness is often sought, but if journeyed with kindness, it is sweetly paved." —Tom Althouse

> "Connecting our hearts through love yields a nectar so sweet we are forever full." —Amy Leigh Mercree

"But friendship is the breathing rose, with sweets in every fold." —Oliver Wendell Holmes

"Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard are sweeter." —John Keats

"Oh, how sweet it is to hear one's own convictions from another's lips." —Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

> "Be sweet, be good, and honest always." —Emma Bunton

"Even when the strings are broken in our lives, the sweet music plays on in our hearts." —Bryant McGill

February 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Febr	wary	1 Rent Due!	2	3	
4	5	6 Rent Late!	7	8	<b>9</b> 5-7pm Take & Bake Pizza Night	10
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