



[MPI Heartland Chapter](#) Newsletter: Q2 2024 Newsletter

Glow Up Bingo Fundraiser



Get ready to light up the night and unleash your inner glow at our spectacular fundraiser event, where bingo meets fabulousness! Join us for a dazzling evening hosted by charismatic drag queens and kings, as we bring the theme of 'Glow Up' to life with neon lights, glow bracelets, and electrifying energy. Prepare to be mesmerized by the glittering ambiance and entertained by our glamorous hosts as you play bingo for a cause. It's a night of fun, flair, and philanthropy that you won't want to miss! Plus, feel good knowing that a portion of the funds raised will go towards supporting the MPI Foundation, helping to

empower the next generation of event professionals. It's an evening of sparkle, entertainment, and making a difference. All are welcome, however, anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Register Now

June 20, 2024

5:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Vibrant Music Hall

2938 Grand Prairie Pkwy, Waukee, Iowa, 50263, USA

AGENDA

5:30 PM - Doors/Registration Opens

6:00 PM - Welcome & Bingo Begins

The evening will consist of 10 standard rounds of bingo and one special round of music bingo hosted by two Drag Queens/Kings. Between certain rounds a song number will occur, allowing time to get drinks and/or food as needed.

9:30 PM - Event Concludes
(Prize winners are drawn)

September Meeting: Your Role in Human Trafficking + Impactful Discussions

AGENDA

Date: September 19, 2024

10:30 AM - Registration Registration

Location: The Farnam Hotel; 1299 Farnam Street, Omaha, NE

11:00 AM-Welcome/Introductions/Ice Breaker/Chapter Updates

Discounted room rate of \$179.00 for those coming in the night before.

11:30 AM - Anti Human Trafficking Presentation by Dr. Richard Wiener, Ph.D. MLS, Charles Bessey Professor of Law and Psychology, University of Nebraska/Lincoln

Reserve by calling 877-829-2429 or 402-915-4900. May also [reserve online here](#).

Book by September 4, 2024 to get the group rate.

12:00 PM - Meeting & Events Hot Topic Roundtable Conversations*

12:30 PM - Lunch

1:15 PM - Venue tour

1:45 PM - Meeting concludes

*Send an email to Felicia Littky (flittky@icma.org) and Tiffany Conrad (tconrad@forddodgeiowa.org) with hot topics you'd like to discuss.

MPI has [great resources](#) to raise our awareness of Human Trafficking. Be sure to check them out!

Membership Rate: \$40
Non Membership Rate: \$60

Heartland Chapter Anniversaries MAY-JUNE 2024

1 year:

Kristen Heimgartner
Lindsey Holmes
Rachel Jacobson
Kasey Tysdal

2 years:

Betsy Stannard

5 years:

Jessica Bauer

7 years:

Sonja Harris
Kaylee Colon

8 years:

Kelsey Packer

9 years:

Daren Kingi

14 years!:

Julie Kronlage

20 years!!:

Brenda Ram



As a way to celebrate our membership, MPI Heartland Chapter is doing a regular Member Spotlight post on our social media. If this is something you are willing to do, please complete the survey below.

Please contact membership@mpi-heartland.org with any questions!

Begin Survey

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to Jolene Davis and Tara Platt for all of their hard work and dedication on our board. Their terms will end on June 30, 2024.

You will be missed!



Jolene Davis
Director Finance



Tara Platt
Vice President Membership

WE NEED YOU!

The MPI Heartland Board is accepting applications for board positions, and we need you to help us fill the board!

Please consider volunteering your time to continue growing and improving the MPI Heartland Chapter through leadership on the board.

Yes, it would be a donation of more time, and let's be honest, sometimes we all feel like there isn't enough in the day! But this board works together to help make sure that all bases are covered.

Is March your busy time and you aren't available to help? Don't worry our full board will step in. Maybe it's you only have 5 or 6 "free" hours a month, perfect, we have a board position for that. Board terms will run on a calendar year starting January 1, 2025.

Reach out to Julie Kronlage, jkronlage@traveldubuque.com or call her at 563.599.1143 for more information or check out our full board volunteer descriptions below.

[Board Volunteer Descriptions](#)

Message from the President



Brenda Boeck Tellier
Event Planning Manager, Scooter's Coffee
2024 MPI Heartland President

Welcome to the start of Summer! I hope you had an amazing first half of your year and are ready to tackle the second half of the year.

Your MPI Heartland Chapter Board has been busy planning out the remainder of the 2024 year. We've got an excellent program planned in September on Anti-Human Trafficking. Followed up with one of our highest-ranking activities of roundtable discussions.

Save the Date for our Annual Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 29 at the Hyatt Regency Coralville Hotel and Conference Center. Our events team is putting together another excellent program. Be on the lookout for more information shared later this summer.

Don't miss out on a fun event that we have schedule on Thursday, June 20 from 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM. It's our first ever "Drag Queen Bingo" event to be held at Vibrant Music Hall in Waukee, Iowa. A portion of the funds raised will be used to support the MPI Foundation to help empower the next generation of event professionals. Come join the fun!

Looking forward to seeing you at an upcoming event. Wishing you and your families a wonderful summer.

Mark Your Calendars Now!



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June 20, 2024

Vibrant Music Hall

Waukee, IA

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MPI Chapter Meeting

September 19, 2024

The Farnam Hotel

Omaha, NE

Heartland Connection

October 28, 2024

Hyatt Regency Coralville Hotel and
Conference Center

MPI Heartland Annual Meeting

October 29, 2024

Hyatt Regency Coralville Hotel and
Conference Center



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A special offer for our members! The Kansas City, Chicago Area, Indiana, St. Louis, Heartland (Nebraska/Iowa) and Oklahoma Chapters of MPI are partnering on a promotion to offer [Affiliate memberships at our chapters for a discount!](#)

This gives you access to each chapters' education events, social events, and member databases to name a few!

We're always looking for ways to provide the support and resources you need to advance your career.

With the new [MPI Career Center](#), you can move forward stronger than ever with a more intuitive job search, salary and job growth insights, resume evaluations and real-time alerts when jobs become available.



Thank you to Our Annual Partners!

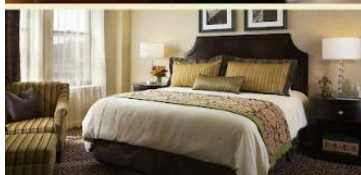




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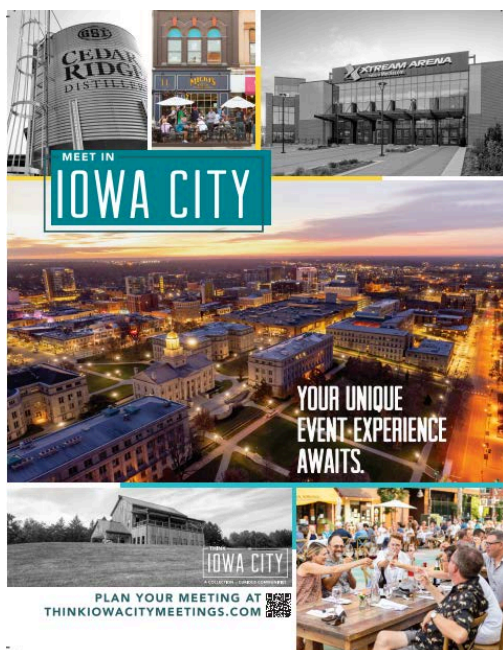
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