

Winter Wonders

Fun Family Activities

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Tired of being trapped indoors? It's time to leave the stale confines of your home and have some good old fashion winter fun! This winter get the whole family together and go enjoy some of these thrilling seasonal activities.

If you're not afraid of getting a little chilly, then lace up your skates because there are two new ice rinks in town! Both of these facilities are outdoor and open to the public. The closest rink to DeKalb High School can be found at the well known Hopkins Park. Here community and park district members have converted one of the two parking lots into a slippery ice covered surface perfect for children and adults alike. However, if you're up for a bit of a longer ride, the second rink, installed by All and All Plumbing, is an above ground skate rink at Suppeland Park in Cortland.

Don't worry if you don't have skates because there is plenty more to do in this shimmering winter wonderland. Russel Woods Forest Preserve in Genoa is famous for its legendary sledding hill. Just grab a toboggan or even a cardboard sheet and head on over for some thrilling family fun!

Is the cold not your thing? Well don't worry because the *Barbwire* has taken its time to track down several magnificent indoor events. Not only will The Irrational Masters Shadow Cast be returning to the stage at the Egyptian for their 2017 season, but the theatre will also be hosting a Mel Brooks movie marathon. The Mel Brooks Film Series showings will take place from Tuesday January 10th-Wednesday March 8th. The showings will take place from 7:00pm-9:00pm. Films featured include, but are not limited to, *Space Balls*, *History of the World:Part 1*, *Blazing Saddles*, and of course *Robin Hood:Men in Tights*. Please visit the Egyptian Theatre website for more information on these events.

Looking for something with a little

more school spirit? Hosted in the DeKalb High school auditorium on February 10th, the legendary St. Olaf Choir will be performing at 7:00pm. Admission for students is a shockingly low 10 dollars! Don't miss this stunning opportunity.

If that doesn't satisfy your A Cappella needs, you're in luck! The very next day February 11th, once again at 7:00pm at the DHS Auditorium, the ICCA College performance will be taking place and admission is 15 dollars for students.

The *Barbwire* wishes you the happiest of Winter festivities, so go on out and have some fun. Whether it be sliding around on crisp ice or watching fun movies in the warmth of a theatre have a great fun filled Winter with these amazing family events.



Hopkins Park Ice Rink. Photo by Asher Lowrey.



Gabee DelFiaco and Kylee Gilman whirl around on the newly installed Cortland Ice Rink. Photo by Asher Lowrey.



Kylee Gilman and Gabee DelFiaco lace up their skates and take to the ice at Hopkins Park. Photo by Asher Lowrey.



DeKalb High School Auditorium. Photo by Asher Lowrey.



DeKalb Egyptian Theatre. Photo by Asher Lowrey.