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# Chamber Views

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LeClaire, a resilient community. The Cambridge dictionary defines resilient as “able to be happy, successful, etc. again after something difficult or bad has happened.” Some business leaders are describing key phases of recovering from COVID-19 in these specific frames – respond, recover and thrive. This is our path forward to resilience as we reopen our businesses and help our residents and visitors feel confident about living in and visiting LeClaire.

“With the right approach, this crisis can become an opportunity to move forward and create even more value and positive societal impact,” Deloitte May 2020, The Heart of Resilient Leadership. This is a particularly unique moment of opportunity for LeClaire. People are thinking more locally than ever. As we prepare to spend more time in our community, people naturally want to invest in that community. I believe and have already seen signs that when people return to your business, and they will return, they want to put their dollars in a local direction. This is our opportunity to remind people of the charm of Shopping Local & Looking Local First.

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## Join The Chamber!

Whether you own or manage a business, provide a service, or just want to be involved in your community, we invite you to join the LeClaire Chamber of Commerce!

Go to our website, [www.leclairechamber.com](http://www.leclairechamber.com) to join and to learn of all the many benefits of being a member and see the directory of our many current members – many are your friends and neighbors. Join us!

**Mission Statement:** *The LeClaire Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary partnership of area businesses, organizations and individuals working together to build a healthy economy, while promoting and nurturing the quality of life in historic LeClaire.*

## Chamber Networking Events

**July 14th @ Noon –**  
Big Dave and Holly's  
**August 11th @**  
**5:30pm –** Mississippi  
River Distillery  
**September 8th @**  
**Noon –** Bier Stube  
**October 13th @**



5:30pm – 129

November 10th @ Noon – Crane & Pelican

December 8th @ 5:30pm – Green Tree Brewery

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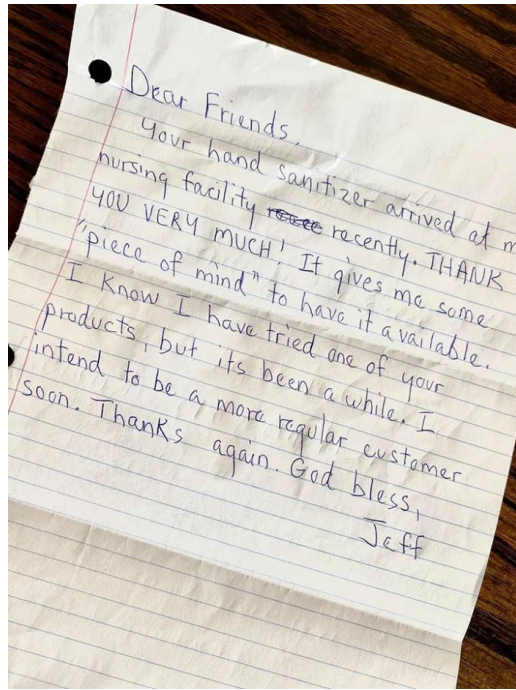
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## Mississippi River Distilling Company Has Been Pumping Out Hand Sanitizer

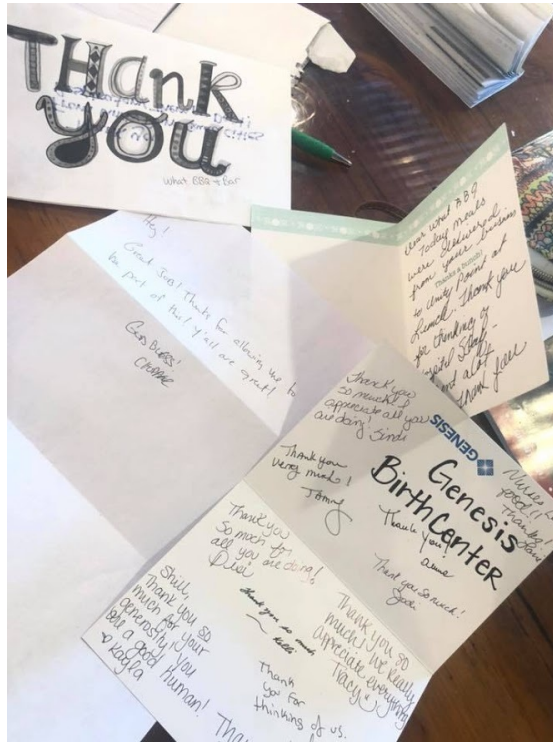
Mississippi River Distilling Company put alcohol production on hold to start pumping out hand sanitizing liquid in a time of need.

At first they were responding to bulk production of 250 or more gallons at a time so they could fulfill the institutional need first and foremost. They've been supplying hand sanitizer to healthcare systems, government entities, and more recently the public.

Some of the large orders went to businesses in the area such as Deere & Co and the Rock Island Arsenal. Owner Ryan Burchett said the distillery has been receiving inquiries from all over the country but is trying to fulfill orders for the Quad-Cities first. [You can purchase yours HERE.](#)

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## What BBQ & Bar - Helping First Responders and Other Local Businesses in a Time of Need

Since the start of quarantine, What BBQ & Bar has been selling out of food, serving first responders for free, and helping local Chick-Fil-A in a time of need.

Their restaurant located in downtown LeClaire has been serving customers carry out through their walk up window and also delivering to LeClaire, Bettendorf, Princeton, Port Byron and Hampton.

They've also been staying busy by catering lunches to local companies.

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## Mother's Day in LeClaire

Saturday, May 9, wasn't the traditional Shop LeClaire for Mother's Day as it has been in years past, but businesses still helped carry the tradition of finding mothers everywhere the perfect mother's day gift.

This year many LeClaire businesses resorted to online shopping for their customers and either shipped items, had curbside pick up, or some even

delivered!

Businesses had great specials and sales that included buy one get one free, \$50 gift certificates for \$40, free shipping and much more! Local restaurants held dinner and lunch specials and some even sold out of food. It was great seeing the community come together and get creative to support local businesses and mother's everywhere.



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## Music to LeClaire's Ears – Riverboat Twilight Holds Calliope Concerts on Levee

Riverboat Twilight had been music to LeClaire's ears starting Monday, May 11. The riverboat had been hosting outdoor calliope concerts along the levee Monday through Wednesday, at noon, in hopes to bring tourists back to LeClaire businesses.

Calliope is an instrument that uses whistles to play songs and it's a traditional instrument on riverboats. The songs they've been playing are the Happy Birthday song, a graduation song for seniors, and much more.

"We want to bring people out to get a sack lunch from an area restaurant," Riverboat Twilight co-owner Carrie Stier said. "Just kind of get people excited



about getting out and touring again. It's been nothing here for several months." Stier says she hopes the concerts get people out of their houses and excited for downtown LeClaire to fully open again. "People have been stuck inside for too long, we are hoping to get them out and get them excited and play some upbeat music," Stier said.

Sight-seeing cruises on The Twilight began in May with a new twist. Passengers are encouraged to bring a sack or box lunch. Check their cruise calendar for the latest information: <https://riverboattwilight.starboardsuite.com/>



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**The LeClaire Chamber held a “selfie” contest and encouraged the community to support local by posting selfies with their Le Claire carry-outs and deliveries.”**



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## Tourism Talk with Cindy Bruhn

We enjoyed a relatively mild winter and had a great day for the Taste of LeClaire on March 7, then our world changed! The COVID-19 pandemic struck our area hard with the Davenport / Rock Island St. Patrick's Day parade being cancelled on March 14. By noon on March 17, Iowa restaurants were closed to eat-in diners, and the rest is history.

Our hope is that it is truly history as we get back to some simple pleasures and go out again to our favorite restaurants, shops, and attractions. Our businesses have gone above and aboard to make sure you have a safe environment in LeClaire.

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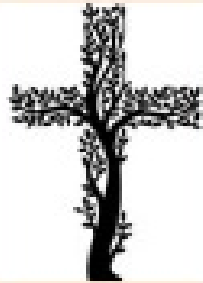


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