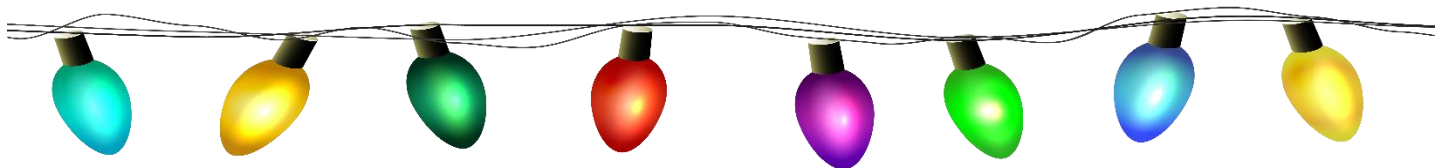




# Grafton Riverbeat

## November Events, Music & Things to do

The Grafton Christmas Tree Lighting is on Friday evening, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm at The Grove Memorial Park where we will celebrate the start of the Holiday season. Take a break from the hustle & bustle of Black Friday, grab your hot chocolate (or toddies), and hang out with friends, neighbors or family and view the lights of Grafton. Get your holiday photos by the lights or stop by the biggest candy cane in town (maybe even on the river), the Grafton Lighthouse, for a unique photoshoot.



## **Saturday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**



Santa's Chocolate Express is back this year and advance tickets are now available online. Tickets are limited, so get yours now and save yourself a spot.

Tickets \$15.00 in Advance, \$20.00 Day of Event.

Registration is 10:30am – 1:30pm at The Grafton Visitors Center, 950 E Main. (Event and Shuttle ends at 4pm).

Santa & Mrs. Claus will be in The Grove Memorial Park for photos and visits from 12-2 pm. For details and to purchase advance tickets visit [www.graftonilchamber.com](http://www.graftonilchamber.com). Due to limited parking at the Visitor's Center, participants should proceed into town where there is more parking available and to catch the shuttle.

# Happenings along the River

## Meet The Reserves Wine Dinner

Get your tickets now for an evening of great food, wine, and friends! Limited tickets are available for an evening with the Grafton Winery new Reserve wines paired with some wonderful food. They will take you through a culinary journey and explain the nuances of their new reserve wines. Wine club members receive a 10% discount when you use your email address linked to your wine club account. The event will be held at the Vineyards location Saturday, Nov. 5, starting at 6pm. Cost is \$45.52 per ticket. Order online at [thegrafftonwinery.com](http://thegrafftonwinery.com). 6:30pm arrival, 7pm dinner served.

21028 Eckert Orchard Rd – 618-786-3001.

### MEET THE RESERVES WINE DINNER MENU

AMUSE – BOUCHE  
GOUGERE

ROSEMARY, GARLIC, MARSCAPONE  
(SPARKLING PEACH WINE)

### SALAD

FRENCH COUNTRY SALAD  
MIXED GREENS, PUMPKIN SEEDS, PANCETTA,  
VINAIGRETTE, MORBIER CHEESE, CROSTINI  
(RESERVE CHARDONNAY)

### ENTRÉE

BRAISED SHORT RIB SERVED OVER A BROWN  
BUTTER SAGE POLENTA, ASPARAGUS  
(RESERVE RED ZINFANDEL)

### DESSERT

CHOCOLATE TRUFFLES  
(RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON)

## Things to Do

**Grafton Sky Tour:** Thursday-Sunday 12-7pm (weather permitting). 3 Clinton St. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

**Aeries Alpine Coaster:** Open 7 days a week, (weather permitting). 600 Timber Ridge Dr. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

**Grafton Zip Line:** Open 7 days a week. 14 West Main St. Call 786-9477 for information. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

**Edward Amburg Museum & Visitor Center:** Thursday-Sunday 10am-4pm and Monday Holidays (Closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day).

**Riverside Ice-Skating Rink at the Loading Dock:** Opening day is November 19 12 to 10pm. Regular Hours are Fridays 5-10pm, Saturdays 12-10pm and Sundays 12-8pm. Also open for special Holiday hours, call 618-556-7951 for more information or email: [loadingdock@gtec.com](mailto:loadingdock@gtec.com).

**The Grafton Winery Vineyards: On The Rocks Tasting Series, Old Dominick Distillery (bourbon and gin) Fri. Nov 4, 6:30-9pm.** \$50 per ticket in advance, \$60 at the door for hors d'oeuvres, tastings & a cigar from AP Cigars! If you do not wish to taste, you can purchase a food ticket for \$15 per person with wine and beer available for purchase. Call 618-786-3001 for more info.

**Pere Marquette State Park:** Trail Hiking, Rock Climbing, Educational Visitors Center, Horseback riding. For information and reservations on all events call 618-786-2331.

## Shopping

**Aeries Gift Shop 600 Timber Ridge Dr:** Open Daily 12 -5pm.

**Cox's Rivertown Mill Art & Gifts 115 W Washington:** Call for hours 812-994-9007.

**Golden Eagle Antiques 300 E Main:** Saturday 10am-4pm, Sunday 1pm-4pm.

**Grafton BP Station 200 E Main:** Open Daily.

**Grafton Fudge Shop 321 E Main:** Open 11am-5pm.

**Grafton Graphix, Darts & Crafts 1406 W Main:** Open 10am-6pm Daily.

**Grafton Harbor Marina Shop 215 W Water St:** Open Daily.

**Grafton Market 1415 W Main:** Open 6am-8pm daily. Call 786-2337 for information.

**Grafton Winery Shop 300 W Main:** Daily from 11am-7pm

**Harrisons Gifts 224 E Main:** Open weekdays 11am - 4pm, weekends 10am-5pm.

**Knotty By Nature 15 E Main:** Daily from 10am-6pm.

**Lighthouse Nutrition 218 E Main:** Open 8am – 2pm Tuesday-Sunday. Meal Shakes, coffee, and healthy drinks. 618-724-4731.

**Lightkeepers Coffee, Antiques & Arts 101 E Main St.** Open Saturday and Sunday, coffee counter 8am-12pm, art shop open 8am-4pm.

**Mosby Woodwork 309 Market St:** Call for information on hours 786-2223.

**Main Street Gift Shop (located right next to Lighthouse Nutrition):** Open Thursday - Sunday 10am to 6pm.

**Fancy Nancy on Main 307 E Main:** Hours vary; Look for the Cardinals and Open flag.

**Pajarito 316 E Main:** Open 11am-5pm Daily.

**Riverbank Gifts 225 E Main:** Friday 2-6pm, Saturday and Sunday 10am-4pm.

**The Lady LaMarsh 25 E Main:** Weekends 10am-4pm or by chance.

**The Wood Artisan 22 E Main:** Tue-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 1-4pm.

*Shop Riverbank Gifts for presents for the little ones on your list.*



## Music Scene

### Aerie's Winery & Terrace:

- Nov 5 Dan Sproat 1-5pm.
- Nov 6 Jonathan Baker 1-5pm.
- Nov 12 Denver Wade Trent 1-5pm.
- Nov 13 John Littlefield 1-5pm.
- Nov 19 Curt Copeland Duo 1-5pm.
- Nov 20 Graham Pagano 1-5pm.

### The Bloody Bucket Saloon:

- Nov 5 Matt Taul 7-10pm.
- Nov 12 Jake Weber & Drifters 7-10pm.
- Nov 19 Bob Gleason 7-10pm.
- Nov 26 Matt Taul 7-10pm.
- Dec 3 Jake Weber & Drifters 7-10pm.

### Grafton Winery:

- Nov 5 Ivas John Band 3-7pm.
- Nov 6 Borderline Acoustic 2-6pm.
- Nov 12 Scott & Karl 3-7pm.
- Nov 13 Rockabilly 2-6pm.
- Nov 19 NGK Band 3-7pm.
- Nov 20 Acoustic DNA 2-6pm.
- Nov 26 Synergee 3-7pm.
- Nov 27 Rogers & Nienhaus 2-6pm.

Give the gift of Grafton for Christmas this year! Whether it is a season pass to The Grafton Skytour, a ride on Aeries Alpine Coaster, a day at the Loading Dock Ice Rink, a Raging Rivers pass for next season, a gift from a favorite Grafton shop or a gift certificate to their favorite eatery, you can't go wrong! For a real impressive gift, treat that special person in your life to an overnight stay in Grafton!

Baking bread will make your kitchen warm and cozy this winter with Brew Bread kits from Riverbank Gifts.



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