## **Local Attractions and Things to Do**

Depending on your interests, there are many attractions in Grafton, or close to Grafton, just minutes from our house. Year round, you can find restaurants, wineries, shops, the Sam Vadalabene Bike Trail, and zip lines. The drive on The Great River Road leads straight to us. The confluence of the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers and Pere Marquette State Park, no matter what time of year, the drive is always worth it!

Winter is a great time to visit Grafton to watch the eagles and other birds, such as pelicans and geese. When the bluffs and local scenery Springs into bloom the Loading Dock springs into action with their monthly flea markets (always the fourth weekend of the month, April through October) where you are sure to find just the right treasure you have or have not been looking for. Summer offers a great time to spend the day at **Raging Rivers** Water Park (make sure to ask us about a discount on your Raging Rivers passes), horseback riding at the Pere Marquette Stables and for those who enjoy being out on the river, Grafton Harbor offers boat rentals and jet ski rentals. There is also a public launching ramp just minutes away. Music in The Grove Memorial Park is a favorite Thursday evening event in summer also. Whether summer or autumn, local orchards are close by, if fresh peaches, and/or apples are your desire. There is no better way to see the colors of autumn than to cruise up The Great River Road.

There is always a season and a reason to stay at Rowling Ridge Guest House.