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Kenosha County Parks to host 90th-anniversary celebration

Kenosha County Parks is celebrating its 90th anniversary by hosting a free community event on Saturday, Aug. 5, at Petrifying Springs Park.

The festivities will start at noon and close with fireworks at dusk. The event will feature free entertainment including live music, face painters, magicians and children's activities throughout the park, located at 5555 Seventh St. in the Village of Somers.

Food and refreshments will be available at the Petrifying Springs Biergarten, where headliner bands will perform from noon to 8:30 p.m. Western Kenosha County Transit will provide shuttle services for visitors to pavilion and parking areas, including overflow parking located at UW-Parkside Parking Lot B. Each park pavilion will host a schedule of features and live entertainment, with dozens of educational booths throughout the park's multiuse path.

Old Settlers Oktoberfest will sponsor a 50/50 raffle to raise funds for the construction of a band shell for Old Settlers Park in Paddock Lake. The goal of the event is to raise enough funds to create a permanent stage for live music within the park.

"We hope everyone will come out to help us wish the county parks a happy birthday," County Executive Jim Kreuser said. "I think the founders of the Kenosha County Parks Commission in 1927 would be proud to see the beautiful, active state of our parks today, as they continue to improve the quality of life in our community."

Event schedule and locations:

Main Stage - Petrifying Springs Biergarten (Pavilion #1)

- Noon-9 p.m. Concessions available at the Petrifying Springs Biergarten
- Noon-8 p.m. Bubble Soccer – all ages welcome
- Noon 1 p.m. The Grateful Deadliners (classic rock)
- 1:30-3:30 p.m. Saddlebrook (country)
- 4-6 p.m. The Sam Llanas Band (featuring Sam Llanas, formerly of the BoDeans)

- 6:30-8:30 p.m. Altered Five Blues Band
- Dusk Fireworks finale

Pavilion #3 activities - Sponsored by Jump N' Jax

- Noon-8 p.m. Six bounce houses
- Noon-8 p.m. Nine interactive games with prizes
- Noon-8 p.m. Cartoon character parade and photo opportunities
- Noon-3 p.m. Gene Gruber (guitar, vocals)
- 3-3:30 p.m. Karate demonstration
- 3:30-4 p.m. Disney character parade
- 3-5 p.m. Karaoke – all ages
- 5-8 p.m. Jim Mitchell (magician)

Picnic Area #3 activities - Sponsored by Gruber Law Offices, LLC

- Noon-8 p.m. Basketball shoot – interactive game – all ages
- Noon-8 p.m. Golfing – interactive game – all ages
- Noon-8 p.m. Volleyball courts – all ages
- 3-6 p.m. Face painter

Pavilion #4 activities - Sponsored by Applied Ecological Services

- Noon-8 p.m. Wrecking Ball – interactive game – all ages
- Noon-3 p.m. Dave Ciccantelli (guitar, vocals)
- 4-7 p.m. Super Dave (guitar, vocals)

Pavilion #5 activities - Sponsored by Aurora Health Care

- Noon-8 p.m. Twister – interactive game – all ages
- Noon-8 p.m. Healthy Heart Station
- Noon-8 p.m. Fitness and Nutrition Station
- Noon-3 p.m. Tom Burgermeister (magician)
- 1-3 p.m. Cardiologist Dr. Wang – Q&A session
- 3:30-6:30 p.m. Joey LaVie (keys, guitar, vocals)

Pavilion #6 activities - Sponsored by State Farm, Westosha Floral, Hartnell Chevrolet and Bear Realty, Inc.

- Noon-8 p.m. Batman vs. Superman Sumo – interactive game – all ages
- Noon-8 p.m. Bungie Joust – interactive game – all ages
- Noon-8:30 p.m. 50/50 raffle – Proceeds to support construction of Old Settlers Park band shell
- 1-4 p.m. New Revue Duo (keys and two vocals)

Pavilion #7 activities - Sponsored by Snap-on, Incorporated

- Noon-8 p.m. Slide Hoop Jumper – interactive game – all ages
- Noon-8 p.m. Starting New at Golf – kids' golf game
- 4 pm – 7 pm Kevin Kennedy (keyboard, vocalist, interactive performer)

A special thanks to 95.1 WILL Rock, 1050 WLIP and Miller Lite for their generosity and support of the Kenosha County Parks. Updated information on the Kenosha County Parks Anniversary Celebration can be found at parks.kenoshacounty.org.

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