

JULY EVENTS continued from previous page**27-28-RURAL MILTON**

Lobster Boil at Buckhorn Supper Club: On Lake Koshkonong, 11802 N. Charley Bluff Rd. 608-868-2653, www.thebuckhorn.net

28-30-MILWAUKEE

German Fest: Enjoy authentic German food and music, sheephead, dachshund races, cultural village, battle of the bands, live glockenspiel, fireworks, Capuchins' 5K run or 2 mile walk for the hungry, Marktplatz and so much more. Henry Maier Festival Park, 200 N Harbor Dr. Friday, 3 p.m.-midnight; Saturday, noon-midnight; Sunday, noon-9 p.m. 414-464-9444, www.germanfest.com

28-30-RACINE

Italian Festival: Italian food and top-quality family entertainment. Festival Park, 5 Fifth St. Friday and Saturday noon-1 a.m., Sunday, 10:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. 262-898-1694, www.romalodge.com

28-29-FORT ATKINSON

Sidewalk Sales: Retail merchants take to the streets with the biggest bargains and hottest deals of the summer. Bring the whole family and enjoy the best brats, burgers and hot dogs at the Chamber Brat Stand. Proceeds from stand go towards the city holiday decorations. 920-563-3210, www.fortchamber.com

28-30-KENOSHA

Taste of Wisconsin: Takes place at Celebration Place in Downtown Kenosha, along the shore of Lake Michigan. This is a family-friendly celebration of all things tasteful and all things truly Wisconsin in their flavor. Admission is free. The ninth annual event includes food and beverage vendors, live music, a demo center, kids' activities and more. Kenosha Harbor, 6th Ave and 54th St. Friday, 3-11 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. 262-496-9400, www.tasteofwi.com

29-CAMBRIDGE

Cambridge Lake Ripley Ride: Featuring three distances: a family friendly 22-mile (mostly flat) route, a longer and slightly hilly 40-mile route, and a more challenging 62-mile metric century route. You will ride quiet country roads and visit Cambridge, Rockdale, Marshall, and London. 8 a.m. start, Lake Ripley Park, Park Road. 608-423-8108, www.cambridgecap.net

29-MILWAUKEE

Brady Street Festival: Highlighting some of the finest products Wisconsin offers. This day-long celebration features local food growers and award winning artisan cheese makers from around the state, along with a large variety of wines and other beverages. Live music. 11 a.m.-midnight. 414-272-3978, bradystreet.org/documents/20-brady-st-festival-

29-ALBANY

Amish Quilt and Consignment Auction: Handcrafted quilts, quilt tops, pillows, furniture and other items created by Amish artisans. Also auction ring with farm and horse equipment. Food stand featuring Amish baked goods and lunch, plus ice cream hand-cranked via horse power. Amish School House, intersection of Highway 104 and Atkinson Road. 9 a.m. 608-897-8500

29-MILWAUKEE

Brewfest: 8th Annual event featuring over 300 craft beers and micro brews from over 85 breweries from all over the United States. Enjoy live musical performances as well as great food from local restaurants and vendors. McKinley Park, 1600 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr. 414-321-5000, www.milwaukeebrewfest.com

**3-13-WEST ALLIS**

Wisconsin State Fair: The state's largest annual event blends Wisconsin agricultural traditions with the excitement of a contemporary, urban event. International Bazaar, midway thrills, blue ribbon livestock, 30 stages of top name entertainment and world-famous cream puffs. Wisconsin State Fair Park, 640 S 84th St. 800-844-3247, www.wistatefair.com

4-5-BELOIT

Celebrate Downtown Weekend, 300 block of State Street in downtown Beloit. Beloit's biggest street dance kicks off Celebrate Weekend every year. A sidewalk sale, farmers market, food concessions and other family activities complete the weekend. The street dance will feature live music. 608-365-0150, www.downtownbeloit.com/us

4-5-CAMBRIDGE

Maxwell Street Days: Main Street business sidewalk sales, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. In conjunction the Cambridge Library will hold its Annual Community Book Sale, including children's, vintage, novels in hardcover, paperback and audio. Book sale runs 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day in the Amundson Center, 200 Spring St. There will also be a community-wide garage sale. 608-423-3780, www.cambridgewi.com



Carnival rides such as this one are sure bets for high-flying fun at the Rock County 4-H Fair. This year, the fair is being held July 25-30. (Photo by Benjamin A. Bovee)

4-5-ELKHORN

Corn & Brat Days (formerly Festival of Summer): Support the Elkhorn Chamber by feasting on brats and roasted corn all day. Walk around and do a little shopping with the many crafters and vendors that line the square. Also, children's activities and live entertainment. Veterans Park in the downtown square, 100 W. Walworth St. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. each day. 262-723-5788, www.elkhornchamber.com

4-6-UTICA

Utica Festival: Horse pull, live music, bingo, Badger State Super Farm & Hot Farm Tractor Pull, mini-rod pull, spectator truck pull, kids' sawdust money dig, softball tournament, food and concessions. Friday opens at 5 p.m., Saturday opens at 8 a.m., Sunday opens at 9 a.m. Utica Community Association Park in Utica, located between Cambridge and Stoughton. 608-764-8480, uticapark.org

4-6-MONROE AREA

Soil Sisters: For three days and with five unique components and involving more than twenty farms, this jam-packed culinary event celebrates Wisconsin's family farms and rural life in and around the farming communities of Monroe, New Glarus, Blanchardville and Brodhead. From heirloom tomatoes to emus, sheep to solar energy, bed and breakfasts to beef, the farmers and artisan food producers share a unique diversity of farm experiences showcasing the summer's bounty. Choose from a variety of activities. Green County, various locations. 608-329-7056, soilsisters.wix.com/soilsisters

5-11-DEERFIELD

SAGBRAW: Wisconsin's oldest cross-state bicycle tour and enjoy a piece of cycling heaven. You'll pedal at your own pace over some of the most picturesque, bicycle-friendly terrain in the state. Refuel with some of the best pie in the world. Sample Wisconsin's finest cheeses. Two Bicycles and A Map, Ltd. 608-843-8412, www.bikewisconsin.com

5-NEW GLARUS

Fire Fest: Kid's firehouse, fire truck rides, spray house, fire fighter competitions and water fights, steak and brat fry, live music, beer tent. New Glarus Fire Department, 212 4th Ave. 608-527-5300, www.newglarusfd.com

5-MIDDLETON

National Mustard Day: Celebrated annually at the National Mustard Museum, 7477 Hubbard Ave., Middleton. It is a fun-filled day for the whole family and has traditionally included free hot dogs as well as music, games, other entertainment, free mustard sampling and more. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. 608-831-2222, mustardmuseum.com

5-RIPON

Cookie Daze 2017: Cookie decorating, baking contest, themed bingo, cookie blaster rockets and more. Barlow Park, Griswold and Watson streets, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. 920-748-6764, www.ripon-wi.com

5-6-KENOSHA

Pike River Rendezvous: Step back in time as costumed re-enactors talk about what life was like during the fur-trading era of the 1740s through 1840s. Simmons Island Park, 5001 4th Ave. 262-653-4140, www.kenosha.org/wp-museum

5-6-PEWAUKEE/WHITEWATER/MADISON

Bike MS: An unforgettable ride with an unbeatable destination – a world free of multiple sclerosis. This all-inclusive, fully-supported cycling event travels from the Milwaukee area to Madison with an overnight stay in Whitewater and features 50-, 75- and 100-mile route options each day. 262-369-4400 or 800-242-3358, main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Bike/WIGBikeEvents?pg=entry&fr_id=28198

5-6-ELKHORN

Madison Classics Car Show & Swap Meet, Walworth County Fairgrounds, 411 E. Court St., Elkhorn. Offers more than 1,300 car part vendors, perfect for finding the parts you need for your summer project. There are also 100s of cars in the Cars for Sale Corral. Saturday, 6 a.m.-4 p.m., and Sunday, 6 a.m.-3 p.m. 608-244-8416, www.madisonclassics.com

6-NEW GLARUS

Volksfest: Swiss Independence Day celebration with music and dancing. Swiss choral folklore music, yodeling, flag throwing, alphorn playing and accordion music. Telling Shooting Park, County Road O. 1 p.m.-3:30 p.m. 608-527-2095, www.swisstown.com

6-RACINE

Armenian Fest: The largest Armenian festival in the midwest with food, music and dance. Fun for the whole family. Festival Park, 5 Fifth St. 11 a.m.-8 p.m. 262-639-0531

6-RACINE

Annual Job's Daughters Craft Fair: Outdoor craft fair held adjacent to Pershing Park on Lake Michigan. Featuring the works of more than 70 crafters from Wisconsin and Illinois. Food available for purchase. Free admission. Masonic Center, 1012 Main St. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. 262-878-4843, www.realracine.com

6-JANESVILLE

Tallman Arts Festival: The Rock County Historical Society hosts this annual festival on the grounds of the historic Lincoln-Tallman House, 440 N. Jackson St. The festival is juried and draws artists from throughout the Midwest to display fine arts and studio crafts in a variety of media and styles. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 608-756-4509, www.rchs.us

10-13-WATERTOWN

Riverfest: A music, food and entertainment extravaganza in Riverside Park in the center of the city. Live music throughout the weekend, nationally renowned bands, regional acts as well. Bartolotta Fireworks, carnival midway, taste of Watertown all four days. Craft show Saturday and Sunday, classic auto show with more than 350 vehicles on Sunday. Riverside Park, Labaree St. 920-261-6320, www.watertownriverfest.info

11-12-SEYMOUR

Burger Fest and Balloon Rally: Witness "The World's Largest Hamburger Parade," get your fill at the hamburger eating contest, take the plunge on the ketchup slide and check out the complete burger memorabilia collection at the Seymour Community Museum. Events also include a car show, motorcycle charity ride, bun run, kid's activities, parade (Saturday at 11 a.m.) and live music. Hot air balloons will ascend around 6 p.m. both Friday and Saturday evenings with a balloon glow to follow at dusk each night. Admission fee for fest, balloon rally free. 129 Depot St. 920-833-6688, www.homeofthehamburger.org

11-12-WEST BEND

West Bend \$1,000 Cache Ba\$h: West Bend is known as the "Geocaching Capital of the Midwest." Find the event at www.geocaching.com. Geocaching is a year-round, outdoor treasure hunting game using a handheld GPS unit, that is fun for all ages. West Bend has become a hot spot for Geocachers with nearly 1,400 caches located within a 10-mile radius with 50-plus new ones being added specifically for this event. Regner Park. 262-338-2666, www.visitwestbendwi.com/cache-bash

11-13-BRODHEAD

Covered Bridge Days and Wildflower Art Festival: The festival, running 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 12, features native plant tours and educational programs as well as a juried, high-quality art festival in downtown Veterans

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