

JUNE EVENTS continued from previous page**22-24-RACINE**

Greek Festival: Ethnic festival featuring Greek music, roasted lamb and chicken, Gyros, shish kabobs, honey puffs and pastries. Dancing, church tours, carnival rides and fun for the whole family. Kimissis Greek Orthodox Church, 1335 S. Green Bay Rd. Friday 5 p.m.-midnight, Saturday 11 a.m.-midnight, Sunday 11 a.m.-7 p.m. 262-632-5682, www.kimissis.org

22-STOUGHTON

Bach Dancing and Dynamite Society: Chamber music with a bang! Innovative chamber music played with joy, creativity, spontaneity and technique that are second to none. 7:30 p.m. Stoughton Opera House, 381 E. Main St. 608-255-9866, www.stoughtonoperahouse.com, www.bachdancinganddynamite.org

23-SUN PRAIRIE

Taste of Sun Prairie: 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m. at Cannery Square Plaza, East Main Street. Fifteen or more area restaurants will be set up so that you can sample their best dishes for \$5 or less. Kids activities, games and lots of fun. Special sales by local vendors. Live music. 608-298-3475, www.sunprairielions.org

23-24-NEW GLARUS

Heidi Festival: The weekend is filled with great food, entertainment, music, and fun for the whole family. Downtown streets will be lined with food stands and colorful sidewalk sale displays. Arts and crafts, flea market, entertainment and food in the city park. Various locations. Heidi performances will occur Friday and Saturday at New Glarus High School Auditorium. See website for details. 608-527-2095, www.swisstown.com

23-JANESVILLE

Mercury Open Water Ski Tournament: See the best water ski teams in the country compete in the first ski show tournament of the season. Each team will present a one-hour show and be judged by a panel of experts in such areas as doubles, barefoot, ballet line and pyramids. Concessions, beer tent and vendor booths throughout the day. Free admission. Traxler Park - RAJ Stadium, 600 N. Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. 608-757-3171, www.rockaquajays.com

23-24-CEDARBURG

Cedarburg Strawberry Festival: A free, family-oriented festival, now in its 33rd year. Come celebrate everything strawberry, or stroll along Washington Avenue browsing the art fairs located throughout the downtown. Enjoy lively music, unique shopping, fun-filled contests, children's activities and live demonstrations. Downtown Historic District. Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 262-377-5856, www.cedarburgfestivals.org

24-ALBANY

Albany Lions Car Show: An impressive variety of vehicles, a great selection of food and drink, great music and car enthusiasts having a fun day. Albany Lions Building, 402 N. Cincinnati St., 8 a.m.-3 p.m. 608-751-2895, www.albanylionsclub.com

24-WAUKESHA

Carl Zach Cycling Classic: See first hand jaw-dropping speed as international bicycle racers take hairpin turns on the streets of downtown Waukesha during the last leg of the Tour of America's Dairyland series. Downtown, 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. 262-524-3737, www.tourofamericasdairyland.com

24-EAGLE

Midsummer Magic: Spend an enjoyable evening strolling the grounds, sampling foods, shopping and listening to music during Old World's annual adult fundraising event. Old World Wisconsin, W372 S9727 State Road 67. 6-9 p.m. 262-594-2922, www.friendsoww.org

26-27-RURAL MILTON

Lobster Boil at Buckhorn Supper Club: Advance reservations and payment required. Space is limited.

Bar opens at 5 p.m., boil-over and dinner at 6:30 p.m. On Lake Koshkonong, 11802 N. Charley Bluff Rd. 608-868-2653, www.thebuckhorn.net

27-July 8 (closed July 2)-MILWAUKEE

Summerfest: Celebrate summer at the world's largest music festival. With more than 800 acts playing on 11 stages, you'll find alternative, rock, country, R&B, pop, reggae headliners and more, from national headliners to indie artists. The 23,000-seat Marcus Amphitheater hosts some of the biggest tours in music. Enjoy good food, comedians, a children's play area, daily demonstrations and activities and exciting amusement park rides. Henry Maier Festival Park, 200 N Harbor Dr. 414-273-2680, www.summerfest.com

June 28-July 1-PLEASANT PRAIRIE

Jelly Belly Carnival: The eighth annual Jelly Belly Carnival, a four-day event filled with fun for the family, returns. The summer celebration features an array of carnival rides and midway games. Enjoy complimentary tours and samples inside. Jelly Belly Visitor Center, 10100 Jelly Belly Lane. 262-947-3800, www.visitkenosha.com

30-July 4-WHITEWATER

Whitewater 4th of July Festival: A parade will take place on the 4th along with fireworks, live music, food vendors, car show, and a carnival happening each day. Cravath Lake Park, 341 S. Fremont St. www.ww4th.com

30-July 1, July 3-4-EVANSVILLE

Community of Evansville Fourth of July Celebration: Come to historic Leonard-Leota Park for picnics, car show, music and more. Enjoy adult beverages under the big tent or munch on fair food from local vendors. Saturday, the day starts with the kids fishing tournament at Lake Leota. At noon, the festival tent opens and live music fills the day. Sunday, it's church service in the park, followed by the pancake breakfast and car show. At noon, the festival tent opens. Monday, it's a quiet day. Tuesday at 5 p.m., the festival tent opens again, with more live music from the area's most popular bands. The parade will start your Fourth of July day with fun at 9:45 a.m. Or start a little earlier at 7:30 a.m. in the park with the 5K/10K/1mile run-walk fundraiser. The festival tent opens at noon and kids activities fill the afternoon. At dusk, Evansville's famous fireworks king will create another memorable explosive, starry display. Events take place at Leonard-Leota Park (Leonard Park Drive). 608-882-0598, www.ecp-wi.org

30-JANESVILLE

Freedom Fest: Between 25,000 and 30,000 people attend each year, with its attractions, food, carnival rides, stage performances and an incredible fireworks display. The festival now includes the Day of Compassion from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is also a children's area with a petting zoo, face painting and balloon animals. Presented as a family-friendly, Christ-honoring, patriotic event. Free event. New Life Assembly of God, 2416 N. Wright Rd. 10 a.m.-10 p.m. 608-756-4175, www.freedomfestnewlife.com

30-July 1-NORTH FREEDOM

Stars and Stripes Special: Come celebrate America's independence at Mid-Continent Railway Museum with its Stars and Stripes Special weekend. What better way to celebrate America than to explore the history of the railroads that helped shape the nation. The train will be specially decorated in red, white and blue for the occasion. Trains depart at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. each day. Mid-Continent Railway Museum & Gift Shop, E8948 Museum Rd. 608-522-4261, www.midcontinent.org

3-Edgerton Lions Fest and Fireworks: Annual 4th of July celebration typically featuring Little League All-Star Game, family activities/entertainment, chicken bingo with Dan Reilly at 4 p.m., food, beverages and spectacular fireworks display at dusk. The Edgerton Lions have provided Independence Day fireworks and activities for the Edgerton area for more than 65 years. 4 p.m.-midnight, Racetrack Park. edgertonlions.org, edgertonfireworks.com

**3-JANESVILLE**

Patriotic Concert in the Park: The Beloit Janesville Symphony Orchestra presents a traditional July Pops concert honoring our servicemen and women and celebrating the anniversary of our nation's independence. Enjoy favorite classics, such as the Armed Forces Salute, the Star Spangled Banner, The Stars and Stripes Forever, and The 1812 Overture. Bring your own chairs. Food vendors will be on site. 6:30 p.m., Janesville Courthouse Park. 608-313-1200, www.beloitjanesvillesymphony.org

3-4-MONONA

Community Festival and Art Fair in the Park: Food, drinks, bands, kids' entertainment and fireworks draw thousands from the Madison area. On July 4 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., visit the renowned art fair in Winnequah Park, Winnequah Road. Approximately 50 exhibitors. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 608-216-0157, www.mononafestival.com

4-BELOIT

Pops on the Rock: 7:30 p.m., Harry C. Moore Pavilion, Riverside Park, 1240 Riverside Dr. in Beloit. Celebrate the Fourth of July with an outdoor concert on the riverfront. The Beloit Janesville Symphony Orchestra's patriotic performance is followed by a spectacular fireworks display. Free family event. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. 608-365-4838, www.rockriverphil.org

4-JANESVILLE

Independence Day on the Rock: The Rock Aqua Jays Water Ski Show Team presents this annual festival on the Rock River celebrating our nation's independence. Enjoy an "anything that floats" competition, helicopter rides, bounce house plus other family fun events. Capped off with nearly half an hour of colorful fireworks. The show is free and open to the public (donations welcome) with concessions available. Starts at 3 p.m. with fireworks at dusk. Traxler Park, 600 N. Main St. 608-757-3171, www.rockaquajays.com

4-8-STOUGHTON

Stoughton Fair: Midway rides, commercial exhibits, tasty treats, Kiddie tent with baby farm animals, and 4-H/FFA exhibits. Great grandstand entertainment including rodeo, tractor and truck pulls, and demolition derby. Fireworks Sunday night. Mandt Park, 400 Mandt Parkway. 608-873-4653, stoughtonfair.com

4-EAGLE

Old World Independence Day Celebration: Fun, games and patriotic activities. Try climbing the greased pole, help make ice cream, enter the pie-eating contest and test your muscles in a tug-o-war competition. Plus, a grand old parade through the crossroads village. Old World Wisconsin, W372 S9727 State Road 67. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 262-594-6300, www.oldworldwisconsin.org

5-8-MIDDLETON

National Women's Music Festival: The National Women's Music Festival is a four-day musical and cultural extravaganza that incorporates all facets of women's lives. It's a jam-packed long weekend where choices for things to do range from workshops, concerts, comedy, theatre presentations, a marketplace and more. Marriott Madison West, 1313 John Q Hammons Dr., Middleton. 317-395-3809, www.wiaonline.org

6-8-NEW HOLSTEIN

Firemen's Picnic: Family fun all weekend. Live music Friday night, Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Saturday night is the largest fireworks display north of Milwaukee. A huge parade begins at 11 a.m. on Sunday followed by a chicken dinner. Also available all weekend are carnival rides, food and beverages. Civic Park, 2200 Washington St. 920-898-5766, www.travelcalumet.com

6-8-IOLA

Iola's 44th Annual Old Car Show and Swap Meet: Antique auto enthusiasts from throughout the Midwest and nation attend the show with more than 2,200 fascinating and valuable automotive vehicles from vintage cars of the early 1900s through 1983 models. Gates open at 6 a.m. each day. 715-445-4000, www.iolaoldcarshow.com

7-8-MONROE

8 Miles of "Ag-tiques": Unique tractor show on eight miles of Highway 69 south, from Monroe, Wis., to Orangeville, Ill. Stops along the way with different brands (John Deere, Oliver, etc.). Food stands and craft shows at some locations. Meet the owners and hear their tractor stories. John Deere stop features lunch stand with brats, pulled pork and cheesy potatoes. John Deere Exhibitor's Tractor Drive on Sunday goes through Orangeville. 815-789-4570, 608-558-0530, www.greencounty.org

8-DELANAN

The Cars Time Forgot: Classic and collector cars from all eras. Food, music and sales. Lake Lawn Resort, 2400 E. Geneva St. 262-728-5095, www.delawanwi.org



Celebrate Independence Day at Pops on the Rock at the Harry C. Moore Pavillion in Beloit's Riverside Park. (Photo courtesy of Visit Beloit)

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