



PRESS RELEASE

Celebrate America kicks off July 2, presented by the City of Kenosha and Happenings Magazine

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KENOSHA – Celebrate America, presented by the City of Kenosha and Happenings Magazine, kicks off with a concert featuring the Ecolimes at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, July 2 at the Midway Stage on the 5300 block of Third Avenue near the marina. The band BBI will follow, with a performance from 8-10 p.m.

A full line-up of entertainment continues July 3-4 on stages along the lakefront, leading up to the Festival Foods Fireworks at 9:30 p.m. on July 4. Pyrotechnics expert The Mad Bomber promises another spectacular show to light up the skies over the lakefront.

Most activities are free and open to the public, unless otherwise indicated.

July 1-4:

Rainbow Valley Carnival opens from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m Friday, July 1, and is open from noon to 11 p.m Saturday, July 2, Sunday, July 3, and Monday, July 4. Fees apply.

July 3:

1 p.m.: Kenosha Civic Veterans Parade presented by Snap-on. Highlights include the Navy Band Great Lakes, the Genesis Drum & Bugle Corps and the UW-Wisconsin Marching Band. The Kids From Wisconsin, sponsored by Leeward Business Advisors, will perform in the parade, followed by a full show at 3:30 p.m. on the Marina Stage.

The Brown's Lake Aquaducks from Burlington will thrill the audience with their stunts at 3:30 and 4:30 July 3 in the Kenosha Harbor. The Aquaducks – with skiers ranging from age 4 to 70 – will dazzle crowds with their advanced skills and passion for water skiing. Holding the world record for the largest pyramid pulled behind one boat, the Aquaducks will be sure to put on a fantastic show. Between shows, there will be live music performances.

Pier Pups Dock Diving Contest (west of the Civil War Museum on Second Avenue and 54th Street):

Dogs will entertain and refresh the crowds at the Pier Pups Dock Diving contest July 3-4, with a large pool set up for the contest. Dogs are encouraged by their owners and the crowd to jump off the dock to retrieve their favorite toy. To register your dog go to pierpups.com.

Shows on Sunday July 3 start with a distance race at 3:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., and 5:30 p.m., with the final jump off at 6:30 p.m. Shows on Monday July 4 start with a demonstration at 12:30 p.m., distance race at 2 p.m., 3:30 p.m., and 5 p.m., and the final jump off at 6:30 p.m.

Eating contests:

Registration forms for eating contests are available online at hap2it.com, or pick up a form at the Happenings information booth at the event. Forms must be submitted at least one hour before the event. This form is an application to be considered for the contest; not everyone can compete. Eating contests July 3 and 4 include: doughnuts, BBQ, pies, pizza, hot dogs and mac n' cheese. (Full details below.)

Midway Stage on July 3:

3:30 -5:30 p.m. Kids From Wisconsin presented by Leeward Business Advisors

6-8 p.m. Blackwater Gold

8:30-10:30 p.m. Mellencougar

Shoreline Stage (Located along the Harbor Walk at Second Avenue) on July 3:

3-3:30 p.m. Chicks With Pics

3:30-4 p.m. Aquaducks Waterski Show in the harbor

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5-5:30 p.m. Chicks With Pics

6-8 p.m. Alex & the Allstars

8:30-10:30 p.m. Big Al Wetzel

Gordon Food Service Family Stage with Laurie and Capt. Carl Constanzo (west of the Kenosha Public Museum along Second Ave.) on July 3:

Noon Kids Karaoke

2:30 p.m. Mike's Donuts and Chick Donut Eating Contest

3:30 p.m. Trolley Dogs Hot Dog Eating Contest

4:30 p.m. Choo Choo Charlie's Mac n' Cheese Eating Contest

Midway Stage on July 4:

11 a.m.-noon Larry Hinds

12:30-2 p.m. Acoustic Soul

2:30-4:30 p.m. HiFi Superstars

5-7 p.m. Heart To Heartbreaker

7:30-9:30 & 10-10:30 Infinity

Shoreline Stage on July 4:

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Haley Klinkhammer

1-2:30 p.m. Ecolimes

2:30-2:45 p.m. Hydro Fly WI in the harbor

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5-7 p.m. Eliminator- ZZ Top Tribute
7-9:30 p.m. RockStar Rodeo

Fireworks Stage (east of the Kenosha Public Museum parking lot) on July 4:

12:30-2:30 p.m. Kal Bergendahl Project
3-5 p.m. Personality Crisis
5:30-7 p.m. Donoma
7:30-9:30 p.m. TBA... visit hap2it.com for act

Marina Pops Stage on July 4:

7 p.m. Kenosha Pops Concert Band

Gordon Food Service Family Stage with Laurie and Capt. Carl Constanzo (west of the Kenosha Public Museum along Second Ave.) on July 4:

Noon Kids Karaoke
2:30 p.m. Big Matt's BBQ Rib Eating Contest
3:30 p.m. Savino's Brick Oven Pizza Eating Contest
4:30 p.m. Festival Foods Pie Eating Contest
5 p.m. Sunflower Artistry Body Painting