

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

A rundown of this week's family fun

MOUNTAIN: Mountain Fire Department Auxiliary Fireworks Celebration, 9 a.m. to close Friday, July 2, fire station, 13412 State Highway 32-64. Rummage sale 9 a.m., food at noon, meat raffle starting at 5 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions flea market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 3 and Sunday, July 4, Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St.

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GRESHAM: Independence Day Celebration, Veteran's Park on Main Street, Saturday, July 3. Parade at 11 a.m., lineup at 10:15 a.m. at Gresham Schools. Free entry. Little League game (Gresham vs. Leopolis) following parade. Kids activities/bounce houses, Bike raffle (intermission - between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.), 50/50 raffles, Food vendors, live music by Adam Trask Band 6:30-10:30 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

GILLET: Independence Day Celebration, 4 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 3, and 9 a.m. to midnight Sunday, July 4, Zippel Park.

SATURDAY - Lawn chair concert with music by Back When 4 p.m. Kim Thompson Songbook 6 p.m. Truck pull at 7 p.m. Country Outlaws 7 p.m.

SUNDAY - Antique & classic car and truck show 9 a.m., Horse pull 10

a.m., Fourth of July parade 2 p.m., music by Jess Hav'n Phun 3 p.m., Antique tractor pull 5 p.m., music by Rapid Transit 8 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

OCONTO: "Waterfest" 4-11 p.m. Saturday, July 3, at Oconto Breakwater Park and Harbor. Fireworks over the Oconto River at 10 p.m. Live music, lumberjack show, aerial dancers, vendor booths, concessions, kids activities.

SHAWANO: Fireworks at Shawano City/County Airport, after dark Saturday, July 3.

MOUNTAIN: Everbreeze Fireworks at Chute Pond, dusk Saturday, July 3.

LEOPOLIS: Triathlon 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 4, three divisions: Under 16, Beer Belly and Jock.

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto Falls Flea Market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 4, Memorial Field.

BONDUEL: Independence Day Celebration, Village Park, Sunday, July 4. Parade 11 a.m., Nu Tymes Polka Band following. Dairyland and Legion Baseball games begin at approximately 1:30 p.m. Bike raffle at 3 p.m., FFA Chicken Poop Bingo and free yard games to play. Music by Boombox 5 p.m. Fireworks at dusk.

TOWNSEND: Independence Day Celebration 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the fire station on Front Street. Crafters, music, beverages, raffles. Parade at noon, Front Street to School Street



Shawano kicks off the July 4 celebrations with fireworks on July 3. Shot off from the Shawano Municipal Airport, they can be seen around Shawano Lake. In 2020, firework watchers at the Shawano County Park anticipated the show with a few fireworks of their own.

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to Pickerel Lake Road to Timberedge. Fireworks at dusk by the Townsend Ball Park.

BREED: Sportsman's Club Independence Day Celebration, noon-5 p.m., 13436 County Road AA.

TIGERTON: Fireworks at dusk, July 4, Community Park.

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, Highland Plaza, 323 E. Highland Drive.

OCONTO: Tunes on Tuesday featuring Gabriel Sanchez, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, Beyer Home Gazebo, 917 Park Ave.

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 7, Smalley Park. Pre-show 5:30 p.m.

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin featuring Wasted Stay, 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 8, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Food and beverage vendors.



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Kids From Wisconsin returns to Shawano

The Kids From Wisconsin's 53rd year will present "Live! In Living Color" at 7 p.m. July 10 at Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St., Shawano. Admission is free.

This year's Kids From Wisconsin troupe features two Shawano Community High School graduates — Nathan Edwards on woodwinds and Sarah Bergmann on piano.

Bergmann will be a sophomore this fall at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, where she is studying business. She began playing the piano at a very young age and started working as an accompanist six years ago. Since then, she has enjoyed playing many different styles of music in a variety of instrumental and vocal ensemble settings.

This is Bergmann's first summer with the Kids program.

Edwards is a graduate of Shawano High School. He loves all things music. Tenor sax, alto sax, and clarinet are some of the instruments he plays. Edwards had played in the pit orchestra for school musicals and is a member of the Tri-M musical honor society. He has competed all over the



Sarah Bergmann and Nathan Edwards, two graduates from Shawano Community High School, will be returning home for one night only as they perform with the Kids From Wisconsin on July 10 at Franklin Park in Shawano.

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country with the school's jazz band.

Edwards was asked to be part of the Honor Band during the Louisville Jazz Festival. He will be attending

UW-Stevens Point to pursue a degree in music education.

An iconic Kids From Wisconsin performance is a professional, fully

staged Vegas-style performance designed for a multi-generational audience. The group tours the Midwest and will perform to more than 120,000 people during a summer. "Live! In Living Color" will highlight the greatest live music venues throughout the history of this country and the musical artists that helped define their legacies — including The Ed Sullivan Theater, Caesars Palace, The Grand Ole Opry, House of Blues and Broadway, just to name a few.

Prior to the show, there will be an Arts Spotlight starting at 4:30 p.m., featuring music, dance and culture groups from across the Shawano area.

Arts organizations that would like to participate can sign up at <https://www.kidsfromwi.org/event-details/sign-up-your-arts-organization-to-participate-in-a-community-arts-spotlight>.

The Shawano performance is being sponsored by the Shawano Community High School Music Boosters. For information, visit www.kidsfromwisconsin.org.

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Grand Union rocks Thursdayz at Franklin



ABOVE: Grand Union performs Little Big Town's "Little White Church" in the rain on June 24 in Franklin Park.
RIGHT: Hanna Smyth dances in front of the crowd. See more photos at newmedia-wi.com.



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