

**SATURDAY, JUNE 24 - 6PM**  
AT THE EAST JORDAN FREEDOM FESTIVAL



**The Michael Allman Band**

*Performing Allman Brother Music*

**“LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON”**

*Featuring special guest*

**KENNY OLSON**  
*on guitar*

Also **OZZ** from Grand Rapids  
& **MIDNIGHT CATTLE CALLERS**

**Saturday Night Entertainment Sponsors**

LUV Productions – Roeloff Construction – Bingham Well Drilling  
Save A Lot – Hildee's Auto – Olstrom Excavation & Paving  
4front Credit Union – Hilltop Trucking & Excavating – BC Pizza  
Dr. & Mrs. Patrick Ryan – Mr. Richard Grimes – Mr. & Mrs. Paul D'Angelo  
Music in the Park – Black Birch Design + Build  
Great Lakes Energy – FO Barden – East Jordan Lion's Club

*Thank you to all the individuals and organizations whose contributions and support make the East Jordan Freedom Festival possible. Thank you to the City of East Jordan and our department heads for their support.*

**Thank you to our Restroom & Wash Station Sponsors:**

East Jordan Auto Parts • Stonehenge Fiber Mill  
EJ Shoppe/Mary's of Boyne • Billie's Floral  
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**A special thank you to**



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**EAST JORDAN  
PLASTICS, INC.**



**BINGHAM  
WELL  
DRILLING**

**OKKONEN CONSTRUCTION**



*Refreshment Sponsor for participants:*

**BLARNEY CASTLE EZ MARTS**

*Tim's DJ Service - Sponsored by DTE Energy*

**FREEDOM FESTIVAL  
T-SHIRTS**

**\$20 Each**

Pre-Sale @ EJ Chamber Office & EJ Shoppe  
on sale at Festival Events



**NOTICES**

All registration forms can be downloaded from [www.EastJordanFreedomFestival.org](http://www.EastJordanFreedomFestival.org)  
Downtown 2 Hour **Parking** will not be enforced during Freedom Festival, June 21-25



**JUNE 21-25 2023**



**JUNE 21 – WEDNESDAY**

**6:30 PM Miss & Mr. Firecracker Pageant** – Location: Memorial Park Bandshell (rain location – The Boathouse)

Little Miss & Mr. – Ages 5-8 years old, Junior Miss & Mr. 9-12 years old, Miss & Mr. Firecracker 13 – 16 years old. *Contestants must have an East Jordan, MI address. Please see East Jordan Freedom Festival website for full pageant details, rules and registration form. Sponsored by: Castle Farms, 1918 Cellars Tasting Room and Bistro, A+ Entertains & Kay Marie Photography*

**JUNE 22 – THURSDAY**

**10AM-2 PM – Farmers Market** – Tourist Park

**5-10PM – Carnival** – Family Fun Tyme, LLC (Main & Esterly Street)

**6PM – Youth Parade Registration & Check-in** – Main Street (near Penzien Funeral Home)

**6:30PM – Youth Parade** – Theme: “Hippie Me”  
South on Main Street, Right on Hammond Street to Spring Street.  
– Sponsored By – Monarch Family Chiropractic & Louis Drapeau Concrete, Line up by: East Jordan Helping Hearts

**6:50PM – Youth Parade Awards** – Memorial Park Bandshell

**7:15-8PM – Magic by Jania** – Magic Show – Sponsored by: Burnette Foods, Inc. & T&R Yamaha. Rain location Harvest Barn Church

**FIREWORKS Saturday, June 24**



**EAST JORDAN FREEDOM FESTIVAL**

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## JUNE 22 – THURSDAY (Cont.)

**8:15PM – Special Button Drawing** by – TG Plumbing & Heating

**8:15PM – Special Kid's Drawings** by – Clean Lifestyle Cleaning

**9PM - Special Button Drawing** By – Ernst Construction LTD (At Loveday Field)

**9:30PM – Outdoor Movie “Sonic 2”** Loveday Field - Sponsored by: Charlevoix State Bank & Bill, Shannon, Marcy & Janice

## JUNE 23 – FRIDAY

**2-10PM – Carnival** (Main & Esterly Streets)

**5:30-6PM – Corn Hole Tournament Check-in / Registration** (Memorial Park near restrooms)

**6PM – Corn Hole Tournament** – Sponsored by: Foundry Craft Grillery, Hejka & Sons Construction & Dogman Baggers - \$20 per team, Cash Prizes, only 16 teams

**6-9:30PM – Friday Night Block Party** (Memorial Park, Spring Street & Harbor Parking Lot) Sponsored by Mobile Marine, Inc. – Food/Game booths by local non-profits ~ Button Drawings. Rain Location Harvest Barn Church

**6:30-9:30PM – Live Entertainment on the bandshell featuring “Derailed”** – Sponsored by East Jordan Plastics Inc.

**7 PM, 8 PM, 9 PM – Button Drawings BIGGER & BETTER**

## JUNE 24 – SATURDAY

**10:30AM-1:30PM - Kid's Events in Memorial Park** – Bounce Houses, Face Painting, Tattoo Booth, Make & Take Craft and more– Sponsored by: Whitaker Construction, Jordan River Arts Council, Okkonen Construction, Korthase Flinn Insurance & Financial Service, Hilltop Trucking & Excavating, SpartanNash

Megan the Balloon Artist – Sponsored by Okkonen Construction

**8-11AM** – Building Photo Backdrop in Memorial Park

**5:30-9:30PM** – Balloon Art near Memorial Park

**8AM – 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament Check-in** - Community Basketball Court (behind Murphy Field) –Must pre-register, registration available on Freedom Festival website or Chamber Office

**8:30AM – 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament** play begins – Community Basketball Court (behind Murphy Field) - Sponsored by Marty's Dairy Grille & Buffman & Sons Excavating LLC

**Noon-2:30 PM – Grand Parade Line-up** check in by South Arm ORV Club at the East Jordan Family Health Center, 601 Bridge Street

**11AM-10PM - Food Vendors** (Memorial Park)

**Noon-11PM – Carnival** (Main & Esterly Street)

**3PM – Grand Parade** – Sponsored by Gill Roy's Hardware  
Grand Marshall – Jerry Olson Route: West side of the bridge to Main, Main to Division end at Watson Field

# East Jordan Freedom Festival BUTTON DRAWINGS MORE PRIZES TO WIN



Cost \$5.00 each

*\* Must be present to win*

Drawings held at Memorial Park Bandshell

**FRIDAY: 7pm • 8pm • 9pm**

Button art by: Priscilla Kibbe

Buttons sponsored by  
**THE INSURANCE SHOP**

## 10 DRAWINGS - GREAT PRIZES!

**7pm WIN**

**3rd Prize Gravity Chair Set** Sponsored by Steve's Towing Service

**3rd Prize Handmade Wooden Bench & Coat Rack**  
Sponsored by Atlas Electric & Twin Valley Trading Post

**3rd Prize Car Detailing Package** Sponsored by C&L Excavating

**8pm WIN**

**2nd Prize Raft Trip for 4 on the Jordan River & \$100 spending money at Jordan Valley Outfitters** Sponsored by Jordan Valley Outfitters

**2nd Prize Bistro Table & Chairs & Fire Pit** Sponsored by Carey Construction

**2nd Prize Kayak Package** Sponsored by Huntington National Bank

**9pm WIN**

**1st Prize 50" LG UHD Color TV** Sponsored by MPN Inc.

**1st Prize 36" Blackstone Griddle** Sponsored by Northern Michigan Elder Law

**1st Prize Laptop Computer** Sponsored by The Computer Center & Subway

**Chance to “Push the Button” to start the Fireworks**

Sponsored by **Great Lakes Fireworks**

## FESTIVAL GRAND RAFFLE!

Drawing Sat., June 24 at 8:15pm

Memorial Park • only \$10.00 Per Ticket

**BIGGER PRIZES:** Grand Prize - \$1,000 / 10 - \$100 Prizes

## Carnival Arm Band Pre-Sale

**Saturday, June 17 • Community Park, 10am-Noon**

(while supplies last) In the soccer concession stand

Cost \$15.00 (\$25 at the carnival)

## JUNE 24 – SATURDAY (Cont.)

**5-6PM – Lip Sync Contest** – Sponsored by: The Inner Structure

**6-6:45PM – Live Entertainment “Midnight Cattle Callers”**

See Saturday Entertainment Sponsor List

**7-8:15PM – Live Entertainment “OZZ”** See Saturday Entertainment Sponsor List

**8:15PM – Festival Grand Raffle Drawing** (Memorial Park) One \$1,000 prize/ ten \$100 prizes, Ticket Sponsor BA Accounting LLC

**8:30-10PM Live Entertainment Michael Allman** “Like Father Like Son” performing Allman Brothers Music featuring Kenny Olson on Guitar (Memorial Park)

**Dusk (10:30) – Fabulous Fireworks** by Great Lakes Fireworks – Shot from a barge in Lake Charlevoix, Synchronized to music – 88.9 FM Best viewing – Memorial Park, City Harbor area \*Rain Date Sunday, June 26 – Barge - Partially Sponsored by: Lyons Marine Construction. The bridge will be closed for a short time following the fireworks for safety – per East Jordan Police Department

## JUNE 26 – SUNDAY

**7:00 AM – Noon – Freedom Lovers Breakfast** Sponsored by East Jordan Trailblazers, @ Clubhouse – Mt. Bliss Rd. ORV Radar Runs & Obstacle Course. Riders must be 18 YO or older & wear a helmet.



## 2023 Grand Marshall Jerry Olson

*Gerald (Jerry) Olson was born and raised in East Jordan where he has lived his entire life. Jerry is an EJHS 1951 Graduate. Upon graduation he married Nancy Ikens together they raised 4 children. After Nancy's passing, Jerry married Carol Bromley and added her 3 children. He currently has a total of 70 Grand & Great Grandchildren. Jerry is now 90 years old and*

*has served our community and country in many ways. He is a Korean War Veteran and has participated in the Memorial Day Services since returning from Korea. For many years he performed the Chaplain Duties for Memorial Day and funerals. Jerry is a member of the VFW and American Legion. He has served as a Councilman, Mayor and Firefighter. While his children were in school he was active in the Band and Sports Boosters. He worked for the Co-op for many years and then sold real estate and did tax assessing. Jerry drove school bus for 17 ½ years. He has and continues to make many great memories of the people and places in East Jordan.*