



Saturday Night

Entertainment Sponsors

Bingham Well Drilling, East Jordan Save A Lot, Olstrom Excavating & Paving, Inc., Hilltop Excavating, Hejka and Sons' Construction, LLC, Hildee's Auto LLC, and Four Seasons Marina Inc. - In Memory of Doug Stark



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.

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Refreshment Sponsor for participants:
BLARNEY CASTLE EZ MARTS

DJ Thomas Heath from A+ Entertains
**Sponsored by: BC PIZZA, DTE FOUNDATION, AND
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NOTICE

All registration forms can be downloaded from
www.EastJordanFreedomFestival.org



JUNE 18-22 2025



JUNE 18 – WEDNESDAY

10:30 – 11:30 Bubble Dance Party @ Library- Summer Library readers will enjoy playing with a big variety of bubble wands while dancing to family friendly music as bubble machines create tons of bubbles. If it rains, it will be moved inside.

5pm-10pm Carnival -Family Fun Tyme Amusements (Main and Esterly)

6:30 PM Firecracker Pageant – Location: Memorial Park Bandshell (rain location – The Boathouse)

Little Firecrackers – Ages 5-7 years old, Junior Firecrackers 8-11 years old, . Firecrackers 11 – 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: A+ Entertains & A13 Creative

JUNE 19 – THURSDAY

10 AM – 2 PM – Farmers Market – Tourist Park

5 PM – 10 PM – Carnival – Family Fun Tyme Amusements (Main & Esterly Street)

6:00 PM – Youth Parade Registration & Check-in – Sportsman's Park

6:30 PM – Youth Parade – Theme: "Cartoons - Old or New"

Parade Route: The Parade will begin at Sportsman's Park turn right on Bridge Street and then turn left on Spring Street and end at Memorial Park. Sponsored By – Monarch Family Chiropractic & Louis Drapeau Concrete, Line up by: East Jordan Helping Hearts

FIREWORKS Saturday, June 21



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JUNE 19 – THURSDAY (Cont.)

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

7:15 PM – 8:00 PM – Gordon Russ and his Big Comedy Magic Show – Memorial Park - Sponsored by: Burnette Foods, Inc. and KAM Powersports

8:15 PM – Special Kid’s Drawings – Memorial Park - Sponsored by – Clean Lifestyle Cleaning, Ernst Construction LTD, TG Plumbing & Heating

9:30 PM – Outdoor Movie “The Wild Robot” Loveday Field - Sponsored by: Charlevoix State Bank & Bill, Shannon, Marcy & Janice

JUNE 20 – FRIDAY

Noon – 10:00 PM – Carnival (Main & Esterly Streets)

5:30 – 6:00 PM – Corn Hole Tournament Check-in / Registration (Memorial Park near restrooms)

6:00 PM – Corn Hole Tournament – \$50 per team, Cash Prizes, only 16 teams. Sponsored by: Foundry Craft Grillery

6 PM – 9:30 PM Friday Night Block Party (Memorial Park, Spring Street & Harbor Parking Lot) – Food/Game booths by local non-profits. Sponsored by Mobile Marine, Inc.

7 PM – 10:30 PM – Live Entertainment on the bandshell featuring “Tom Zipp and the Bullpen” – Sponsored by East Jordan Plastics Inc., Gosling Czubak.

6:45 PM, 7:45 PM, 8:45 PM – Button Drawings

JUNE 21 – SATURDAY

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Walk-In BINGO American Legion

10:00 am – 2:00 pm - Kid’s Events in Memorial Park – Bounce Houses, Face Painting, Tattoo Booth, and more – Sponsored by: 4Front Credit Union, Trustream•Powered by Great Lakes Energy, Whitaker Construction, Korthase Flinn Insurance & Financial Services.

Megan the Balloon Artist Sponsored by Okkonen Construction

10:00 – 2:00 PM – Building Photo Backdrop in Memorial Park

6pm – Dusk – Balloon Art near Memorial Park

1:00 – 3:30 PM – Grand Parade Line-up check in by Megan Herriman and Kim Herriman at the East Jordan Family Health Center, 601 Bridge Street

11:00 AM – 10:00 PM - Food Vendors (Memorial Park)

Noon – 10:00 PM – Carnival (Main & Esterly Street)

Noon – 3:00 PM – The American Legion Post 227 Chicken Dinner

4:00 PM – Grand Parade – Sponsored by Gill Roy’s Hardware
Grand Marshall –Dan Reece Parade Route: West side of the bridge to the intersection of Mill Street & Second Street

5:00 – 7:00 PM – Live Entertainment “RPM” (Memorial Park)

See Saturday Entertainment Sponsor List

7:15 PM – Festival Grand Raffle Drawing (Memorial Park) One \$1,000 prize/ten \$100 prizes, Ticket Sponsor BA Accounting LLC

East Jordan Freedom Festival BUTTON DRAWINGS



Cost \$5.00 each

* Must be present to win

Drawings held at Memorial Park Bandshell

FRIDAY: 6:45pm • 7:45pm • 8:45pm

Buttons sponsored by
THE INSURANCE SHOP

10 DRAWINGS - GREAT PRIZES!

6:45pm WIN

3rd Prize Beach Set Sponsored by Carey Construction

3rd Prize Car Detailing Package
Sponsored by Billie’s Floral & Claudie’s Fresh Flaves

3rd Prize Handmade Wooden Tray & Let’s Get Toasted Sign
Sponsored by Atlas Electric & Twin Valley Trading Post

7:45pm 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 3 Piece Set & Smokeless Fire Pit

Sponsored by Huntington National Bank

2nd Prize Yeti Package Sponsored by C&L Excavating

8:45pm WIN

1st Prize 55” Color TV Sponsored by Northern Michigan Elder Law

1st Prize 36” Blackstone Griddle Sponsored by Marty’s On Main Street

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 21 at 7:15pm

Memorial Park • only \$10.00 Per Ticket

Grand Prize - \$1,000 / 10 - \$100 Prizes License # R78996

Carnival Arm Band Pre-Sale

Saturday, June 14 • Community Park, 10am-11am

(while supplies last) In the soccer concession stand

Cost \$20.00 (\$25 at the carnival)

JUNE 21 – SATURDAY (Cont.)

7:30 – 10:30 PM Live Entertainment Derailed (Memorial Park)

Sponsored By: See Saturday Night Entertainment Sponsors

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 22nd – Barge - Partially Sponsored by: Lyons Marine Construction

The bridge will be closed for a short time following the fireworks for safety -per the East Jordan Police Department

JUNE 28 - SATURDAY

8:30am - 3-ON-3 Basketball Tournament Check In Play

Begins at 9 East Jordan Middle/High School Gym Sponsored By Buffman and Sons Excavating



2025 Grand Marshall Dan Reece

Dan Reece retired from the East Jordan Police Department in 2024 after 34 years of dedicated service to our community. Dan was raised in Traverse City and moved to East Jordan in 1990 to begin his career in law enforcement. In the early years, Dan could be seen patrolling downtown on a bicycle, making it easy for him to meet and interact with both locals

and tourists. Dan chose to build his life here, making many friends along the way. He and his wife Melissa, raised their daughter Madelyn here. Dan treated everyone with respect and kindness and served the people with integrity and honor.

Over the duration of his career, Dan served as both Sargent and Chief of Police. He’s proud to be able to say he stayed with one department for his entire career. Because of his courage and selflessness, Dan was twice awarded the Medal of Valor. When asked what he loved most about living and working in East Jordan, he said it was all of the people he met and was able to help. While he will be missed as a member of the EJPD, he still calls this town his home. You might spot him out on Lake Charlevoix, or cruising on local trails, enjoying his well deserved retirement.