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Welcome To Dennison Days 2024



The Dennison Lions Club are excited to host Dennison Days coming up June 21 & 22. Yes, it is earlier this year. Because of so many summer events and festivals in the area, the decision was made last fall to try it a little earlier in 2024. With all the rainy weather this spring, event organizers remind everyone the tents are up and if there is rain, many events will still continue. Watch the facebook pages of both 625 and Fireside as well as the Lions Club Face Book Page for updates if needed.

The 2024 Festival will see many favorite activities returning to the weekends event schedule.

Check the website www.dennison-days.org for any schedule updates. Friday night will kick off in front of 625 Bar & Grill with the Garden Tractor Pull on mainstreet and Free Live Music from local artists Russ Franek and The Biscuits.

Saturday morning brings the Pancke & Egg Breakfast hosted by the Nerstrand-Dennison Fire Department and Dennison Lutheran Community Church under the tent.

City Wide Garage sales are also part of the days events. Just look around for the signs. (In the event of and weather concerns it will move inside to the Fireside Patio area)

The Classic Car Show hosted by the Clutchmen Club will again be on main

street across from the Fireside.

Other activities include Euchre, which will be at The Fireside Lounge this year,(In the event of bad weather, the euchre tournament may move to city hall if needed) and the Truck and Tractor Pull on the north side of town. The 5 K Run/Walk returns this year. Participants can sign up after 7 AM near Pauls Plumbing and be a part of a fun activity to help raise funds for the Dennison Community Lutheran Church and their outreach programs. The race kicks off at 8.

For participating runners, a Free Breakfast is included that you may enjoy before or after the run. The Cow Milking Contest is at 10 AM on mainstreet..

The Kids Pedal Pull returns this year at 11 AM with sign up beginning at 10:30. The Kids carnival will be from 1-3 pm beside city hall. In the event of challenging weather, the activities will be moved inside city hall.

The Dennison Days Parade is at 1:30 PM, with a \$100 Prize for Best Float. 625 will host a bags tournament at 2 pm. Kids Bingo under the tent will take place at 2 PM this year followed by

Gift Card and Purse Bingo under the big top at 4 PM.

Again this year you can enjoy FREE Saturday EVENING ENTERTAINMENT under the Mainstreet tent, with Minnesota artist SHANE MARTIN. He will kick off the evening of music around 7pm,

with his ALABAMA Tribute as well as great music the rest of the evening.

Remember to get your Raffle Tickets as well for your chance at the \$500.00 Grand Prize. Raffle Tickets are Available

at Heritage Bank, Dennison Depot, Fireside Lounge, 625 Bar & Grill, or any Lions Club Member

Watch www.dennisondays.org for updates.

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1st Prize: Leah Ament



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Winning numbers will be posted at Heritage Bank and on Dennison Days Facebook page.

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June 21, 2024

LIVE MUSIC

UNDER THE TENT

8:30 PM

Russ Franek & The Biscuits

Live Music From "Shane Martin" Saturday, June 22

Shane Martin is quickly becoming one of the top draws in the Midwest with a unique blend of modern country rock routinely performing over 200 shows per year as a solo artist and with his full band. From sharing the stage with numerous national acts to captivating audiences at festivals or in a packed venue, Martin's concerts are a high energy good time that gets crowds on their feet dancing, singing along and always leave them wanting more... "Shane is a great singer songwriter on the teetering edge of country, pop, and rock where it's just dangerous enough to be fun," Nashville EMMY award winning engineer/producer Kenny Royster

A Top 5 Finalist in the 2012 Texaco Country Showdown where he competed for "Best New Act in Country Music" at Nashville's legendary Ryman Auditorium (hosted by LeAnn Rimes), Martin's live band is a group of talented veteran musi-

cians that has performed at some of the top country music festivals in the country, including WEfest, Countryfest, Moon-dance Country Jam, Lakes Jam, and Winstock. The group has shared the stage with a wide variety of top artists, including Ronnie Dunn, Lee Brice, Ronnie Milsap, Granger Smith, Eric Paslay, Bel-lamy Brothers, Sara Evans, Dustin Lynch, Big & Rich, Clay Walker, Tyler Farr, Jerrod Niemann, David Nail, Josh Thompson, Easton Corbin, Sawyer Brown, The Cadillac Three and Black Hawk.

As a solo act Martin loops multiple guitar and bass rhythms and beat patterns from tapping on his acoustic, all while singing. Adding harmonica, guitar solos and other percussion instruments creates a unique entertaining experience and full sound. The singer/songwriter has been hailed as the "One Man Band".

Martin grew up in the small town of Al-



bertville Minnesota which is located 30 miles northwest of Minneapolis and learned early-on the meaning of hard work and family. Growing up on a dirt

road he spent his summers helping out at his uncle's on the Martin family farm.

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SAVE THE DATE!
Dennison Days
5K RUN
Dennison, MN
WALK
Saturday, June 22, 2024
8:00a.m.
Sign Up Begins at 7:00a.m. in front of Paul's Plumbing
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Start off Dennison Days on the right foot - literally - by joining others for the Dennison Days 5K Fun Run and Walk. Continue the celebration by inviting all of your family and friends for the day filled with entertaining events and activities for everyone. You can run, walk and roll.

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DENNISON DAYS
June 22, 2024
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7:30 PM
Shane Martin
Anywhere



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Live Music From "Shane Martin" Saturday, June 22

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The singer/songwriter's musical background started at a young age playing piano and sketching out song ideas. It wasn't long before he picked up his brother's guitar and had a creative connection with playing and singing. "I would hear melodies, choruses, and song inspirations in my head. I then felt compelled to create and put my thoughts and sounds into a song format," remembered Shane. Learning to play guitar by ear he soon found himself starting a rock band with friends from school and practicing to play a few club shows and house parties.

As an emerging regional talent, the young singer/songwriter self-released his first solo album in 1998, entitled "Moody Waters". This six song acoustic e.p. featured the song "She Could Cry in Heaven", which appeared on the television show "The Young and the Restless". From 2000 – 2003 Shane fronted the group "Faith Nation". In 2005 Martin released his sophomore solo project entitled "Thread", co-produced and recorded with Levi Seacer from Prince's The New Power Generation, featuring the fan favorite "It's Alright" and the song "White Fences" that was featured on the sound track of a Michael Wilson documentary.

Martin's 2010 release "REWIND" was recorded in Nashville with EMMY award winning engineer/producer Kenny Royster. Shane states "I finally found my sound

and writing style and started to dig deep into my songs getting back to my small town roots and experiences. It felt natural to write from more of a story telling aspect and modern country style."

After writing "Rewind" by himself, Martin took a new approach and began collaborating with other writers, including several in the Nashville area".

The singer/songwriter continued to write, co-write and commute to Nashville to record and self-release follow singles, albums and EP's.

2012 "Light it Up" 11 songs

2015 "Til The Wheels Fall Off" 7 songs

2017 "Keepin' The Night Alive" 8 songs

2020 "Anywhere" 7 songs

Singles:

2022 - I Can't Replace You

2022 - Candles on the Cake

2023 - I'll Drink to That

In 2020 Martin and his band started an

Alabama Tribute called "Songs Of The South". Martin states "We've had an Alabama medley in our set for quite some time that we love to perform and audiences enjoy. I've always admired Alabama's timeless downhome songs and sweet harmonies and thought it would be great to put together an entire set of their music. It feels right at home when we sing one of their many hits and fits right in our wheelhouse with all the vocal har-

monies. Adding to the band, I've recruited a top notch fiddle/utility musician to get the full Songs Of The South sound."

"My goal as an artist is to connect and move audiences through my songs and performances"

The singer/songwriter continues to write/co-write and record while building a steady fan base touring.



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Lions Club President Diane Ruddle presents Nerstrand-Dennison Fire Chief with a donation towards the new Dennison Station at 2023 Dennison Days.



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Dennison Lions Club - Service to Dennison & the Surrounding Area



What is The Dennison Lions Club?

The Dennison Lions Club was started in Dennison Minnesota around 1977 by a group of local business owners, farmers and individuals from Dennison and the surrounding area. Local Lions clubs, like the one in Dennison are part of the larger Organization of Lions International. A Service Organization. You can learn more on line at www.lionsclubs.org Many times, in smaller towns, like Dennison, the Clubs serve not only as a service club supporting activities in the community, but also like the "chamber" to help promote events and businesses in the community. Other area clubs can be found supporting their hometowns in Goodhue, Wanamingo, Kenyon, West Concord, Mazeppa, Zumbrota, Northfield and more.

Lions Clubs international is the largest membership-based service organization in the world. With 1.4 million members in more than 49,000 clubs and serving in over 200 countries and geographic areas. Since 1917 Lions clubs have improved health and well-being, strengthened communities and supported those in need locally, regionally, nationally and globally. The Lions Clubs international motto is "we serve".

Lions clubs act as the local or regional civic organization in many small medium and larger communities all over the United States and the world. Lions International represents both the Lions Clubs International and the Lions Clubs International Foundation. The Lions Club International Foundation is the global foundation supporting the 1.4 million members of Lions Clubs through grant funds that expand their works and empower service at home and around the world. Since its founding in 1968, the foundation has awarded more than 19,000 grants totaling more than \$1.2 billion.

Locally, The Dennison Lions Club and its members work to support the Dennison area in a variety of ways. This in-

cludes awarding scholarships each year to area graduating students or making donations to families and individuals that may be experiencing a medical emergency or financial hardship. In addition to local contributions, the club supports area school activities like class field trips that help further student education. The Dennison club supports several of the larger programs Lions International works on like Lions Eye Bank program and The Leader Dog program, and also provide support to other area Non-profit groups, schools and activities that benefit the area and its residents.

The club has continually worked to support the city park in Dennison, helping get new equipment in the park for several years ago. The club also supports area fire departments and first responders, including the Nerstrand Volunteer Fire Department, which not only provides fire protection to Nerstrand, but also the City of Dennison, area townships, and mutual aid to surrounding fire departments. The club made contributions to help expand the Nerstrand Fire Department to include keeping an additional truck in Dennison and add equipment back into the Dennison Fire Hall on Main Street.

Other local community events and activities the club supports is the annual Dennison Days Festival in August, The Halloween Pizza and Game Party at City Hall, Thanksgiving Turkey Bingo, Christmas with Santa and Christmas Sharing, The Flake Out Festival (The Clubs winter community event in February) and annual Spring breakfast.

All of these activities, in addition to the club's charitable gambling location at Fireside Lounge in Dennison, help raise funds to support these activities all year round. The club generally meets monthly to take care of the business of the club and plan events and activities in the town and the area.

The members acknowledge it can be a challenge to get new members to step up and be a part of this important community organization, but for the club to survive and continue doing this important

hometown work, the Dennison Lions Club is always looking for local volunteers. The club understands everybody can't always make a monthly meeting, nor do you need to. Some members come in and help a couple times a year with various events but still stay a part of the club, community and what the lions' clubs stand for. If you are interested in getting involved more in the Dennison Lions Club, please reach out to lions president Diane Ruddle or any Lions Club member for more information.

Our Story

1917 The Beginning

Chicago business leader Melvin Jones asked a simple and world-changing question – what if people made a commitment to improving their communities? More than a century later, Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world, with more than 1.4 million members in 48,000 clubs acting on the same simple idea – when Lions come together for the good of humanity, there's nothing we can't achieve.

1920 Going International

Just three years after our founding, Lions became international when we established the first club in Canada. Mexico followed in 1927. In the 1950s and 1960s, international growth accelerated, with new clubs in Europe, Asia and Africa.

1925 Saving Sight

Helen Keller addressed the Lions Clubs International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, USA, and challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind." Since then, we have worked tirelessly to aid those who are blind or visually impaired.

1945 Uniting Nations

We were one of the first nongovernmental organizations invited to assist in the drafting of the United Nations Charter. We host an annual Lions Day with the United Nations to continue our partnership and identify global solutions to the challenges facing humanity.

1957 Organizing Youth Programs

We started the Leo program to provide the youth of the world with an opportunity to serve and lead with Lions. There are approximately 180,000 Leos and 7,200 Leo clubs in more than 140 countries worldwide.

1968 Establishing Our Foundation

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) assists Lions with global and large-scale humanitarian projects. Through our global Foundation, Lions have received more than US\$1 billion in grants to help meet the needs of their local and global communities.

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1990 Launching SightFirst

Through the support of LCIF, Lions are restoring sight and preventing blindness on a global scale with the SightFirst program. Launched in 1990, Lions have raised more than US\$351 million for this initiative that targets the major causes of blindness.

2017 Celebrating Our Centennial

Lions celebrate a century of service by serving more than 250 million people around the world through a special Centennial Service Challenge.

2018 Rallying Around Global Causes

Lions unite to support the global causes of vision, hunger, the environment, childhood cancer and our new global focus, diabetes. LCIF launches Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service to raise US\$300 million to increase the service impact of Lions around the world.

2020 Responding to COVID-19

Lions found innovative ways to safely serve their communities during this global health crisis. Our global Foundation, LCIF, donated millions of dollars in emergency grant funds, providing critical supplies and equipment to hospitals, medical clinics and emergency management systems, including front-line health care workers and first responders.

Our Service

Kindness matters to Lions.

Our motto is "We Serve" and Lions put it into action every day. We're caring men and women who come together to be the difference in our communities. We believe we can do so much more together than we can alone.

Lions serve global causes.

Lions around the world are rallying around the five global causes of vision, hunger, the environment, childhood cancer and our new global focus, diabetes. We have set a goal of serving 200 million people a year through these causes and other humanitarian initiatives.

Lions empower young people.

We believe young people are the leaders of tomorrow. And today. Our Leo clubs give young people opportunities to become volunteers and service leaders, developing new skills and a lifelong passion for service. Approximately 180,000 Leos in 7,200 clubs are serving more than 140 countries worldwide. We also provide valuable local services to youth such as mentoring, health programs and scholarships. Internationally, we empower youth through our Peace Poster Contest, youth camps and exchanges, and the Lions Quest program that has helped provide positive life skills to over 16 million students.



Some of the founding members of the Dennison Lions Club, shown here at their first Christmas Party held at Dennison City Hall around 1977. Pictured L-R Back Row: Chuck Zimmerman (Farmer), Ray Stenhaug (Stenhaug Oil Co.), SANTA, Richard Holten (Area Farmer), Art Nelson (Area Farmer). Front Row: Norm Gregerson (Postmaster), Mel Johnson (Mel's A G Food Store) and Walt Sorenson (Farmer)


Our Foundation empowers the service of Lions.

We also help our global neighbors through the support of our Foundation, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). LCIF has awarded more than US\$1.1 billion in grants to support Lions' humanitarian projects. In 2020, LCIF donated millions of dollars in emergency grant funds during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, providing critical supplies and equipment to hospitals, medical clinics and emergency management systems, including front-line health care workers and first responders.


Lions are making a world of difference.

Every day, every way, Lions are investing their time, talents and resources in the communities where we live, work and serve. We believe there is no challenge that can't be overcome when we unite for good. Lions are a global force for good. Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world, with more than 1.4 million members in 48,000 clubs serving 200 countries and geographic areas worldwide. Since our founding in 1917, we have been proving that where there's a need, there's a Lion.


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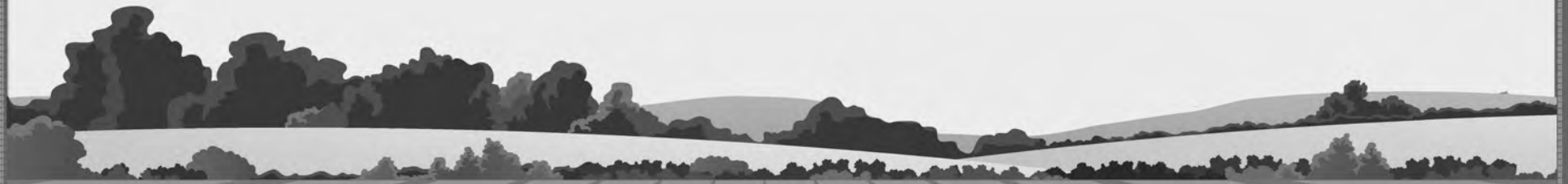
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- 10a.m. **Truck & Tractor Pull Begins on the Hill**, sign up begins at 8:30a.m.
Cow Milking Contest Main Street, hosted by David Flom Dairy
- 11a.m. **Food Stands Open**
Joel Stenhaug & Jim Tracy Memorial Horseshoe Tournament in City Park Presented by the Dennison Lions
Kids Pedal Tractor Pull on Mainstreet (At Mainstreet intersection) Sign up begins at 10:30a.m.
- 1-3p.m. **Kids Carnival**
- 1:30p.m. **Parade Downtown - A Kiddie Parade Leads Off Main Parade** (Ages 12 & Under)
\$100.00 Prize for Best Parade Entry! Sign up at 12:00 p.m. South Mainstreet. Call 507-645-9992
- 2p.m. **625 Bar & Grill Bags Tournament** Sign up at 625 or call 507-782-9061
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- 4:00p.m. **Purse & Gift Card Bingo** Presented by Dennison Lions & Fireside Lounge
- 5:30p.m. **Game Show TBD**
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In the coming months, the Messenger will be looking into our areas history and small towns from their beginnings to present day. As we celebrate Dennison Days 2024, we look back at a few historical photos of buildings around the city.

Morris Denison was an early settler on the land now known as the village of Dennison. According to historical accounts, originally from Vermont, Morris P Dennison arrived in Minnesota in 1849 and brought his family to the area in 1856. He built a log house and what later became the center of the village. While the rail-

road line was being built in 1884, the village was platted as Spring Creek, then later given the name Dennison. In 1885 the Chicago Great Western railroad connected towns in southern Minnesota with markets from Saint Paul to Chicago. Dennison was incorporated as a village in 1904.

By the turn of the century, Dennison was a fair-sized town with nearly 200 people, overwhelmingly of Scandinavian descent. The town boasted a school three general stores, a hardware store, a bank, a Barber shop, two blacksmiths, a



Interior, Austinson General Store, Dennison, Minnesota 1900

meat market, the farmers elevator, a Creamery, a Methodist and Lutheran Church, a lumberyard and cafe. The town was also home to a post office at that time with two rural routes. Dennison maintained a population of around 200 thru much of the 20th century. Dennison was also home to Albert H Quie, the state of Minnesota's 35th governor from 1979 to 1983. Quie was born on a farm

outside of Dennison, attended Saint Olaf college and graduated with a degree in political science. 30 years after his tenure as the governor, Quie was honored again here in his home town of Denison, in 2006 Congress voted designate the post office on main street in Dennison the Albert H Quie post office.

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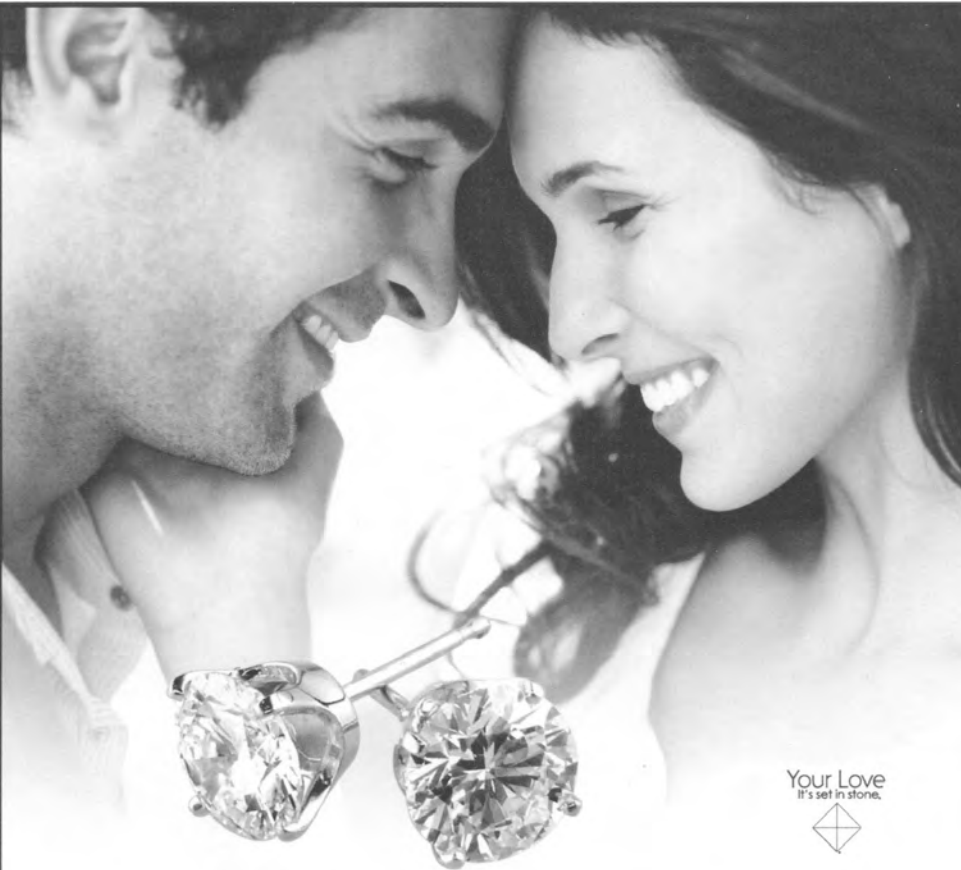
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Though a relatively small gesture, the post office shall forever bear his name. Quié passed away in 2023.

Dennison today is considered a bedroom community by most accounts, however, continues to serve its residents, with the bank, post office, convenience store, meat market, auto and truck repair

shop, plumbing shop, several cabinet shops, several eating establishments, church, The Lions Club community non-profit, along with a small, but growing commercial business area east of town. Watch future issues of the Messenger for historical accounts of Dennison through the years.



Mrs. Nels Estrem with children Selma, Thea, Alfred and Thomas, outside their home, Dennison. 1908

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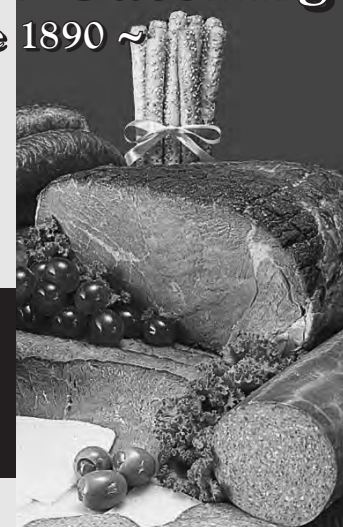
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9 am – 5 pm – Livestock Entry
10 am – Goodhue County Commissioners Meeting – PAVILION
11:30 am – Mandana Balloon Artistry – FREE STAGE
12:30 pm – Kids Pedal Pull Registration – Near Grandstand
1 pm – Kids Pedal Pull – Near Grandstand
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2 pm – 5 pm – Mandana Balloon Twisting – PAVILION
2 pm – 5 pm – Cannon Valley Youth Jackpot Beef Check-In & Weigh-In – ARENA
3 pm – Just for Kix Performance – FREE STAGE
5 pm – 4H and FFA Beef Show followed by Open Class Beef Show – ARENA
6 pm – Cannon Valley Youth Jackpot Beef Show – ARENA
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8:30 - Midnight - FREE STAGE

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