

# THE FESTIVAL CHASER

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## Thursday Only

**52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kids Carnival:** pony rides, petting zoo, inflatables, carnival games, and more. Games only 25¢, Special Tix \$1, but a Carnival Fun Stamp that includes all activities & 8 game tix is only \$8. 3-8p, Bolich Middle School, 2630 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Cuyahoga Falls. [cityofcf.com/activity/carnival](http://cityofcf.com/activity/carnival)

**14<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of Akron:** food samples from over 30 of Akron's best ethnic & classic restaurants, and live entertainment. **FREE** parking & admission. Food tickets are \$2 and items cost 1-3 tickets. Hardesty Park, 1615 W Market St. 6-10p.

**Taste of Wooster:** wine & beer garden, live music, and tasty food from 13 local restaurants. Tickets are \$1 and items cost 1-4 tickets. Downtown Wooster beginning at 6p.

**Edgewater Live:** pack a picnic, and bring your blanket, to enjoy the best Thursday nights of the summer at Edgewater Beach. Enjoy the sunset while listening to live music, yoga, hands-on activities, Cleveland Food Trucks, adult beverages, the Beach House will be open serving food, beverages & ice-cream, the Nature Shop will be there renting paddleboards, chairs, and selling beach necessities. Every Thursday 4:30-9 thru August 15<sup>th</sup>. This week: The Cover Ups. **FREE**

**Movies in the Park:** **FREE** movies at dusk at Crocker Commons, just South of Market Square in Crocker Park every Thursday. This week: *The Grinch*.

**Flicks on The Falls:** **FREE** movie at dark at Cuyahoga Falls Amphitheatre. Stadium seating & snacks available, or bring your own. This week: *The Incredibles*.

**PEACE Park Movie Night:** every Thursday at 9p enjoy an outdoor movie in Coventry. This week: *UP*. **FREE!**

## Thursday - Sunday

**Streetsboro Family Days:** midway rides & games (\$15 wrist band good all day), craft vendors, fireworks Saturday 9:45p, car & bike, dog show & Jungle Bob on Sunday, contests, beer tent, great food, and live music. Thursday: Mother Ale 7p, Friday: Escape 8p, Saturday: Disco Inferno 9p, Sunday: Post Road 1p. Thursday & Friday: 4-11p, Saturday: noon-11p, Sunday: noon-6p. Streetsboro City Park, 8970 Kirby Lane. \$5/parking. [streetsborofamilydays.org](http://streetsborofamilydays.org)

**51<sup>st</sup> Annual Grecian Festival:** one of the largest Greek festivals in Ohio (actually started yesterday)! Traditional food & pastries, ethnic music & dancers, fireworks Friday & Saturday, and rides. St. Demetrios, 429 High St NE, Warren. Thursday: 4-10p, Friday & Saturday: 4-midnight, Sunday: 1-10p. [warrengreekfest.com](http://warrengreekfest.com) **FREE!**

## Friday Only

**Concerts Over the Valley:** begin your evening at 6p at Mapleside Farms for wine, food, a fantastic view and live music. This week: Morrison Hotel \$5/person. 294 Pearl Rd, Brunswick. [mapleside.com](http://mapleside.com)

**Euclid Beach Live:** bring a blanket or chair and enjoy the sunset while listening to live music at Euclid Beach. Great music, delicious food and family fun every Friday 6-9p thru August 2<sup>nd</sup>. This week: Ras T Dubflex.

**Rock the Lock:** **FREE** Friday night concert series at Lock 3 on Main Street in Akron. This week: 11 After and 5150 the Van Halen tribute, the Sammy era. Show begins at 7p. [lock3live.com](http://lock3live.com)

**Rock the Park:** gates open at 6:30p for Apostle Jones & Disco Inferno at Perici Amphitheatre, 10260 Ravenna Rd. Great food & cold beer available. Tickets start at \$15. Bring a blanket or a chair. [rocktheparkconcert.com](http://rocktheparkconcert.com)

**Rockin' on the River:** Northeast Ohio's longest running and highest attended outdoor concert series. This week: Moving in Stereo and Face to Face (Billy Joel and Elton tribute). Doors open at 5:30p, music until 11p. Admission/\$5, free parking and designated motorcycle parking. Great food, cold beverages, give-a-ways, and vendors. Black River Landing, Lorain. [rockinontheriver.com](http://rockinontheriver.com)

**Christmas in July:** face painting, Euclid Beach Rocket Car rides, balloon twister, and more kid's activities. A visit from Santa Claus, flat screen TV & bike raffles, food & beverages, and live music. It's a 50s themed evening, so wear your best costume. 4-9p in Kamm's Shopping Plaza, Rocky River Dr and Lorain. **FREE!**

**Kids Fest:** music, dance, make & take crafts, interactive play and more at this family oriented event in Downtown Cuyahoga Falls. Plus, *Incredibles 2* at dark. 4-8p, 2085 Front Street. **FREE!**

**Friday Night Flick:** *The Grinch*, 9p at Lakewood Park Bandstand, 14532 Lake Ave. **FREE!**

#### Friday & Saturday

**Summer Market:** a lovely & unique outdoor festival with delicious food, live music and over 95 vendors & shops selling jewelry, artwork, produce, vintage items, home accessories, furniture & more on the shore of Lake Erie. Delicious food too! Friday: 3-9p, Saturday: 9-5p. Veteran's Memorial Park, Rt 83 & Lake Rd, Avon Lake. [thesummermarket.com](http://thesummermarket.com)

**LaGrange Lions Festival:** giant inflatables, 7p Friday parade & hot air balloon rides, beer tent, contests, 50/50s, Chinese raffle, Saturday night Fireworks, and live music. Friday: Whiskey Outlaw 7p, Saturday: Bacon Cake 7p. Friday: 6-11p, Saturday: 6-10:30p. 240 Glendale St. **FREE!** [lagrangelionsoh.org/](http://lagrangelionsoh.org/)

**46<sup>th</sup> Annual Seven Hills Home Days:** Friday night fireworks, carnival rides, bingo, kids zone, contests, magic show, beer tent, vendors, safety fair & city vehicle touch a truck Saturday at noon, and live music. Friday: Elvis tribute 8p, Saturday: The Jam Machine 8p, and many others. Friday: noon-11p, Saturday: noon-11p. Seven Hills Community Center, Broadview & Pleasant Valley. Free parking and shuttle from the Giant Eagle parking lot. [sevenhillsohio.org/pdf\\_sevenhills/en-US/HD%202019.pdf](http://sevenhillsohio.org/pdf_sevenhills/en-US/HD%202019.pdf)

#### Friday - Sunday

**St. Justin Martyr Festival:** one of the great church fests of the summer! Euclid Beach Rocket Car rides, Car Cruise on Sunday 4p, midway rides, kids games, mini-golf, giant inflatables, raffles & auctions, casino, instants, money wheels, wine bar, \$10K grand prize raffle, festival & parish made food, Sunday Polka mass, and live entertainment. Friday: Ace Molar 7:30p, Saturday: Caliber Band 7:30p, Sunday: Out of Eden (Eagles tribute) 5p and more. Friday: 6-midnight, Saturday: 4-midnight, Sunday: 12:30-9p. 35781 Stevens Blvd, Eastlake. [stjustin.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Festival-2019.pdf](http://stjustin.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Festival-2019.pdf)

**Summerfest:** midway rides & games, vendor booths, Friday 6p parade, Saturday night fireworks, bingo, DIY art, kids activities, and more. Friday: The Spazmatics 7p, Saturday: Colin Dussault's Blues Project 7p, and more. Sunday: Friday: 6-11p, Saturday: 10-11p, Sunday: 10-5p. Bohlken Park, 3885 W 210<sup>th</sup>, Fairview Park. **FREE!** [fairviewsummerfest.com](http://fairviewsummerfest.com)

**Whiskey Island Still & Grill:** I love this location and they have **FREE** live bands every weekend. Friday: JiMilleer Band 8p, Saturday: Aftermath 8p, Sunday: Spazmatics, a 2p.

**20<sup>th</sup> Annual Solon Home Days:** community vendors, corn hole & closet to the pin tournaments, Movie in the Park *The Incredibles 2* Friday, K9 demos, carnival games, inflatables, zip line, cultural garden, food trucks, petting zoo, pony rides, beer & wine garden, parade and live music. Friday: Pop Culture 5p, Saturday: The Spazmatics 7p. Solon Community Park, 6679 SOM Center Rd. Friday: 6-11p, Saturday: 11-10p, Sunday: 1:30-8p. [solonohio.org/908/Home-Days](http://solonohio.org/908/Home-Days)

**Balloon Classic:** dozens of food & beverage vendors, children's activities, more than 60 hot air balloons participate in daily launches with a Night Glow event Friday, fireworks Saturday at 10p and live music. \$5 parking at KSU at Stark County College lots, downtown Canton. [profootballhoffestival.com](http://profootballhoffestival.com)

**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Russian Festival:** Russian tea room, traditional food & pastries, arts & crafts, vendors, beer truck & cash bar, children's activities, pony rides, bubble soccer, and non-stop entertainment with live music & dancers. Friday: 6-11, Saturday: 1-11p, Sunday: 1-9p. \$5/admission, children under 14 free. German Central, 7863 York Rd, Parma.

**Polish Food Festival:** traditional food, Friday night fish fry, pastries, beer garden, music & dancing, mass Saturday 5:30 & Sunday 11:30, church tours, and more. Friday: 4-10p, Saturday: 2-11p, Sunday: 12:30-6p. St. Casimir, 8223 Sowinski Ave, Cleveland. \$5/admission, includes a soda.

**22<sup>nd</sup> Season Cleveland Shakespeare Festival:** *FREE* outdoor performances at 7p of *Much Ado About Nothing*, last week. Friday: Mentor Civic Amphitheatre, Saturday: Notre Dame on S Euclid, Sunday: Euclid's Sims Park. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. [cleveshakes.org](http://cleveshakes.org)

#### **Saturday Only**

**Storm Drain Stenciling:** learn about storm-water run-off and how it effects our great lake & fresh water sources. Then you'll head out with your group to stencil "Lake Erie Starts Here" at residential storm drains, and distribute information. Meet at Lower Lake Dam (Brook Road on Google Maps) at 9:30. *FREE!* [doanbrookpartnership.org/july-storm-drain-stenciling-saturday](http://doanbrookpartnership.org/july-storm-drain-stenciling-saturday)

**Street Fest:** the Cleveland Public Library celebrates 150 years with a street fest. Family friendly fun that includes storytelling, kids crafts, puppet shows, food trucks, live music, VR gaming, and more. Later in the day it becomes more adult themed. Free shuttle buses from local CPL branches to the fest at the Main Library, 325 Superior. 1-10p. *FREE!* [150.cpl.org/cpl-150-street-festival](http://150.cpl.org/cpl-150-street-festival)

**Return to Love Fest:** enjoy a day full of live music and celebration of love at the Historic Farnam Manor. Food, vendors, fire spinners & more. Asking for a \$10 donation at the door for the preservaton of the manor. 4223 Brecksville Rd, Richfield.

**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Rainbow Babies Cruise-In:** classic car & truck show, food, Chinese raffle, 50/50s, and more to benefit Rainbow Babies. 10-2p, D&S Auto, 7588 Tyler Blvd, Mentor.

**Children's Festival:** *FREE*, family-fun day with games, prizes, carousel rides food, and live entertainment. 10-2p, Downtown Mansfield.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual India Food Fair:** traditional and amazing food, culture, music & Bollywood dancing. Inflatables, Henna artists, vendors, raffles, and more. 1-8p, St. Gregorios, 1252 E Aurora Rd, Macedonia. *FREE!* [indiafoodfaircleveland.com](http://indiafoodfaircleveland.com)

**Pirates Day:** the Kiwanis host this kid's fest at Portage Lake in Akron with boat rides to Treasure Island, crafts, vendors, and more. 5031 Manchester Rd. 11-3p. *FREE!*

**Boat Parade of Lights:** Cleveland boat clubs are hosting their annual Parade of Lights on the Cuyahoga River beginning at 9p. The decorated & lighted boats will begin the parade at the West Basin, near Whiskey Island and head up the river to the Irishtown Bend and back. *FREE!*

**Rocky Horror Picture Show:** Akron's Pride Festival with Kings & Queens Drag Crawl prior to the showing of the *FREE* movie outdoors at 9:30p. Food, beverages, and prop packages available. Lock 3 in Akron.

**Dancing at the Docks:** dance the moonlit night away to the sounds of the Swing City Big Band from 7:30-9p at the Municipal Boat Ramp, Vermillion. Outside refreshments permitted. *FREE!*

**Wildroots:** vintage clothing, food trucks, handmade jewelry, live music, yoga and more. 9-3p at JoAnn Fabrics Stores, Corporate Parking Lot 5555 Darrow Rd, Hudson.

**Wizardly World of Kent:** a fun event for wizard and magic fans of all ages in downtown Kent. Magic Shows, special activities, 100+ vendors and 14 food trucks, photo booths, costume contests, crafts, and more. 10-8p, Main Street Kent. [mainstreetkent.org](http://mainstreetkent.org)

#### **Saturday & Sunday**

**40<sup>th</sup> Annual Akron Arts Expo:** fine arts & craft show with over 160 national artists and over 30,000 visitors. Strolling musicians, dance performances, costumed characters, children's area, hands on art projects, silent auction, food and more. Saturday: 10-6p, Sunday: 10-5p. Hardesty Park, 1615 W Market St, Akron. [www.akronartsexpo.org](http://www.akronartsexpo.org) *FREE!*

**9<sup>th</sup> Macedonian Festival:** traditional food, pastries, adult beverages, live music & dancing. Saturday: 11-11p, Sunday: 11-8p. St Clement, 38665 French Creek Rd, Avon. *FREE!*

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine & Walleye Festival:** wine & craft beer tasting, gourmet food, food trucks, boutique shopping, lighted boat parade followed by fireworks Saturday, and live music. Saturday: noon-10p, Sunday: noon-6p. Historic Ashtabula Harbor. Discounted wine tasting available online. [wineandwalleyefestival.com](http://wineandwalleyefestival.com)

**46<sup>th</sup> Annual Zoar Harvest Festival:** more than 60 top antique dealers, craftsmen, tour all the historic buildings, America's top Folk artists, food, and more. Saturday: 10-5p, Sunday: 10-4p. Zoar Village, 198 Main St. \$10/admission. 12 and under 12 free. [historiczoarvillage.com/event/antique-show-and-artisans-tent-at-the-harvest-festival](http://historiczoarvillage.com/event/antique-show-and-artisans-tent-at-the-harvest-festival)

**82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Serbian Festival:** traditional food, delicious pastries & beverages, giant inflatables, and live music. Noon-10p both days at St. Archangel Michael, 2552 Pickle Rd, Akron. **FREE!**

#### Sunday Only

**3<sup>rd</sup> Summer Smorgasbord Street Fest:** food trucks, local food tents, beer garden, kids' zone with inflatables, carnival games & more, roaming entertainers, and continuous live music. 5-9p, 4193 Pearl Rd (road will be closed for the fest). **FREE!** [oldbrooklyn.com/smorgasbord](http://oldbrooklyn.com/smorgasbord)

**44<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest:** live music by Ace Molar 6p, bake sale, ethnic & festival foods, casino & instant tickets, contests, inflatables & adult beverages. 2-10p at St. Mary's, 2640 Stoney Ridge Rd, Avon. [stmaryavon.org/oktoberfest](http://stmaryavon.org/oktoberfest)

**Regal Movie Express:** Tuesday & Wednesday mornings at 10a enjoy a G or PG movie for \$1! [regmovies.com/static/en/us/promotions/summer-movie-express](http://regmovies.com/static/en/us/promotions/summer-movie-express)

**Kids Bowl Free:** 2 **FREE** games every day at select alleys all around the area. [kidsbowlfree.com](http://kidsbowlfree.com)

**Kids Workshops:** [homedepot.com/workshops](http://homedepot.com/workshops)

**Lakeview Cemetery:** search for unforgettable people whose lives shaped our city, walk amongst one of our city's most beautifully landscaped park at Lakeview Cemetery. 12316 Euclid Ave, Cleveland. **FREE!**

**Self-Guided History Tour:** download the **FREE** Cleveland Historical app (available on iOS or Playstore by searching for Cleveland Historical) for more than 30 history tours of NE Ohio's neighborhoods and learn about the influential people, places and events that shaped our city.

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#### Kids Eat **FREE!**

*Check their website for details*

#### Mondays:

- Burntwood Tavern
- Harry's Steakhouse
- Macaroni Grill

#### Tuesday:

- Bob Evans
- Denny's
- IHOP
- Ruby Tuesday

#### Wednesday:

- Pizza Fire
- Quaker Steak & Lube
- Red Robin

#### Sunday:

- El Rodeo
- IHOP
- Steak N Shake



**164<sup>th</sup> Annual Lake County Fair**  
thru July 28<sup>th</sup>  
[lakecountyfair.org](http://lakecountyfair.org)

**Summit County Fair**  
thru July 28<sup>th</sup>  
[summitfair.com](http://summitfair.com)



**Ohio State Fair**  
thru August 4<sup>th</sup>  
[ohiostatefair.com](http://ohiostatefair.com)

**Medina County Fair**  
July 29<sup>th</sup> - August 4<sup>th</sup>  
[medina-fair.com](http://medina-fair.com)



**Cinemark Movie Clubhouse:** \$1 admission for G & PG movies at various Cinemark Theatres.  
[cinemark.com/smc](http://cinemark.com/smc)



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