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FIREWORKS OVER FAYETTE RETURNS THIS WEEKEND

Uniontown, PA – The Fayette Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Fireworks Over Fayette Independence Day Celebration Sunday, June 28, at Uniontown Mall, presented in large part by 84 Lumber and Nemacolin Woodlands Resort, as well as members and friends of the Fayette Chamber.

Due to COVID-19 safety restrictions, this year's event will forgo the evening festival and only feature the traditional fireworks display, which kicks off at 9:30 p.m.

Chamber Executive Director Muriel Nuttall said, while countless other events were canceled due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, Fayette County officials, chamber members and citizens are excited to still be able to celebrate in an outdoor, socially distanced setting.

"The Fourth of July is a critical celebration of our freedom. Our community has experienced so many unexpected and unprecedented challenges over the past couple of months that have significantly impacted people's lives. It's more important than ever to hold this traditional event for families to enjoy."

The free celebration is best viewed from the Uniontown Mall grounds on West Main Street. Parking at neighboring Mt. Macrina Manor will be prohibited this year.

Nuttall said the chamber has proudly hosted the event for nearly 30 years, and could not do so without their many generous sponsors, volunteers and supporters.

"We were genuinely concerned when we agreed to hold the celebration as our show costs upwards of \$10,000 each year and we knew that our business community had been hit hard through the pandemic," Nuttall continued. "Most of our businesses are just getting back on their feet. We put out a request as usual and also opened donation opportunities to the community – we have been pleasantly surprised! This is a great community, full of good people who are always ready and willing to help each other."

All sponsors will be recognized before, during and after the event. Sponsorships are still being accepted and donations will be accepted upon entry Sunday evening. To add to the excitement, music for the fireworks will be simulcast on local station and sponsor, WMBS – 590 AM.

Donations may be mailed to 65 West Main Street, Uniontown, PA 15401. To contribute online, visit <u>www.fayettechamberstore.com</u>.

Nuttall added, "This will be a great show and wonderful opportunity to celebrate. We want everyone to have a good time, but we also want to remind you to be careful, stay with your families, keep social distancing a priority, and have fun!"

For more information about the Independence Day Celebration, call the Fayette Chamber of Commerce at 724-437-4571 or visit <u>www.Facebook.com/FayCham</u>.

To learn more about Fayette County, visit <u>www.FayetteCountyPA.org</u>.

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