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READY, SET, FIREWORKS TO LIGHT UP FAYETTE

Uniontown, PA - Independence Day is all about the red, white and blue. What better way to enjoy the colors of our nation than by seeing them bursting from the sky in a colorful display of fireworks? Fayette County residents don't have to go far to enjoy a dazzling light show. There are plenty to choose from around the area this weekend.

Fireworks Over Fayette are back, this time as the finale event for the Founding Day 2023 celebration. The festivities will be held Saturday and Sunday, July 1, and will include a variety of activities for adults and kids alike. Commemorating the City of Uniontown's founding on July 4, 1776, the Founding Day celebration will kick off with a Birthday Firecracker 5K run/walk on Saturday, along with Art on Wheels and Easels; a Main Street vendor market; and a police, fire and EMS "show and tell." There will be a Kids Zone with fun activities for children, as well as a food truck food court and live music in Storey Square.

The display is presented by the 84 Lumber, WMBS Radio, the Herald Standard and the members of the Fayette Chamber of Commerce will begin at dusk on Sunday evening.

Some of the best spots to view the fireworks are the area surrounding the Uniontown Mall.

"We're excited that the tradition continues, and we're thankful to 84 Lumber and the members of the chamber who help to support the fireworks every year," Fayette Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Muriel Nuttall said. "We couldn't do it without them."

Nuttall said the fireworks display is the chamber of commerce's way of giving back to the community as a thank-you for supporting local businesses throughout the year.

A few miles to the north, Connellsville will host its Red, White & Boom celebration on Saturday, July 1. Sponsored by the Connellsville Festival Association and Parks and Recreation Board, the event will be held on Arch Street beginning at 3 p.m., when The Cash Out Band takes the stage. Laurie & Shirley featuring John Rickard on steel guitar will perform at 5 p.m., and Variety Pack will hit the stage at 7:30 p.m. DJ Big E will be on hand all day, and there will be plenty of food and vendors to check out before the fireworks at 9:45 p.m.

Other Fayette County fireworks hotspots include:

- **West Brownsville American Legion Post 940**, 800 Middle St., Brownsville. Enjoy food, drinks, a tiki bar and a fire pit while the kids jump around in a bounce house from 3 p.m. Saturday, July 1, until fireworks light up the sky at dusk.
- **Luzerne Township Volunteer Fire Company**, 1101 LaBelle Road, LaBelle. Feast on pork sandwiches and hot dogs at the fire company's annual hog roast beginning at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 1, at the ferry landing. Fireworks are slated to begin at dusk.

- **Farmington Volunteer Fire Department**, 119 Elliottsville Road, Farmington. The Mountain Area Fair, which began June 25, culminates with a fireworks display at 10 p.m. Saturday, July 1, at the Farmington Fairgrounds off Route 40.
- **Patsy Hillman Park**, Luzerne Township, 100 Hillman Park Drive, Brownsville. The fireworks tradition will continue on Monday, July 3, and will include music, food and children's activities.
- **Indian Creek Baptist Church**, 311 Baptist Church Road, Mill Run. The church's annual Fourth of July celebration will begin at noon Tuesday, July 4, and include music, food and fireworks at dark.
- **Merrittstown July 4th Celebration and Fireworks**, Merrittstown, PA. A celebration of our nation's independence will begin at 10:30 a.m., in the Clarence E. Hess Mini Park. A parade will follow. Fireworks will begin that evening at dusk.
- **Masontown**, Water Tank Hill on Ronco Road, above the Route 21/166 cloverleaf. Fireworks will begin at dusk Tuesday, July 4, from the highest point in Masontown.
- **Rich Farms**, 2043 Springhill Furnace Road, Smithfield. Proving it's more than just a Halloween destination, Rich Farms will put on a fireworks extravaganza to begin at 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 4. There will be a midway festival featuring host/emcee Aristotle Jones, along with food, drinks, giveaways and prizes. Volleyball, badminton and cornhole will be among the games to be played. Metro will take the stage at 6 p.m., and fireworks will begin between 9:30 and 9:45 p.m.

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