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2011 Coney Island Special Events Calendar

CINCINNATI, OH (May 20, 2011) – Coney Island, celebrating its 125th Anniversary Season in 2011, kicks off the summer season on Friday, May 27th with an active schedule of exciting, family-friendly events. For more information about the 2011 Coney Island season and events schedule, visit their website at www.coneyislandpark.com or call 513-232-8230.

May 27 - Preseason



Commemorative Brick Preview Party

This private reception will celebrate the installation of commemorative bricks at Sunlite Pool. This preview party is for those who have purchased bricks, and in doing so made a donation to Children's Hospital Medical Center. The commemorative brick program is an ongoing project, and the opportunity for patrons to own a piece of history will continue throughout the summer.

May 28



6th Annual Tri For Joe

A triathlon to benefit the Down Syndrome Association of Greater Cincinnati. The Sprint Triathlon consists of a 700-meter swim (2 long laps around Sunlite Pool perimeter), a 20-kilometer bike ride (flat and fast course along scenic Route 52) and a 5-kilometer run inside the park. Other events include a Duathlon (5-kilometer run, 20-kilometer bike, 5-kilometer run), a 5-kilometer Run/Walk and a Fun Run for kids age 8 and under.

May 28



Cincinnati Warbirds WWII Swing Dance and USO Show

Featuring Tom Daugherty Orchestra's "Swing Canteen" recreating Glenn Miller's Army Air Corps Band and Swing Dancers from Cincyswing.com. Click the "more info" link for event full details.

May 29



The Dream is Real Family Fest

Family Fest is the grand finale of The Dream is Real Weekend, an exciting three-day event designed to raise funds for Operation Step Up, a scholarship fund founded in 1968 by Barbara Howard Reece. The organization has provided college scholarships, youth training seminars, college education seminars, speakers' showcases, high school outreach and GED classes servicing over one thousand youth. The 2011 Family Fest will feature a variety of family activities.

June 3-5



Summerfair

Summerfair is Cincinnati's premier festival of fine arts and crafts. Celebrating 44 years in 2011, Summerfair features hundreds of artists from around the country exhibiting and selling their works. Other highlights include 5 stages of local entertainers, our Youth Arts Fest featuring hands-on craft projects for kids and a variety of delicious foods. Proceeds from Summerfair support grant and exhibition programs supporting the local arts community.

June 10



Moonlite Garden Party

Dance under the stars to fantastic live music from Four on the Floor while Mr. DJ, J.D. Hughes, spins tunes in between sets. At Moonlite Gardens. Gates open at 7pm and band begins at 8pm. Admission is \$8 per person.

June 18



125th Anniversary Celebration

Join us to celebrate a Cincinnati tradition like no other, 125 years of turning fun into history. The party starts at 4:00 with \$1.25 food specials throughout the park. From 6:00-9:00 P.M. Q102's Jon Jon (John Isaac) will host games for young and old with hundreds of birthday prizes to be given away. Enjoy a memorabilia display including archival films and learn what surprises are contained in the time capsule buried at Moonlite Gardens. The grand finale will include a spectacular Rozzi's Famous Fireworks display over the banks of Lake Como beginning at 10pm with a lucky contest winner lighting the fuse.

June 23-25



Paddlefest

Paddlefest has grown into the largest on-water canoe and kayak festival in the Midwest and the largest in the entire country with over 1,800 paddlers attending from over 15 states.

June 24



Moonlite Garden Party

Dance under the stars to fantastic live music from Ooh La La & The Greasers while Mr. DJ, J.D. Hughes, spins tunes in between sets. At Moonlite Gardens. Gates open at 7pm and band begins at 8pm. Admission is \$8 per person.

July 3



12th Annual LaRosa's Balloon Glow

Coney Island comes alive at the 12th Annual LaRosa's Balloon Glow! Live music, family entertainment and Coney's Classic Rides make for a fun-filled evening. New this year, see the Wallenda Family Thrill Show at Sunlite Pool! Later, the evening sky illuminates when as many as 15 hot air balloons of every color "glow" for all to see. The grand finale for the event is a spectacular Rozzi's Famous Fireworks display over the banks of Lake Como beginning at 10pm.

July 8



Moonlite Garden Party

Dance under the stars to fantastic live music from BlueStone Ivory while Mr. DJ, J.D. Hughes, spins tunes in between sets. At Moonlite Gardens. Gates open at 7pm and band begins at 8pm. Admission is \$8 per person.

July 22



Moonlite Garden Party

Dance under the stars to fantastic live music from The Cincy Rockers while Mr. DJ, J.D. Hughes, spins tunes in between sets. At Moonlite Gardens. Gates open at 7pm and band begins at 8pm. Admission is \$8 per person..

August 5



Moonlite Garden Party

Dance under the stars to fantastic live music from Frequency while Mr. DJ, J.D. Hughes, spins tunes in between sets. At Moonlite Gardens. Gates open at 7pm and band begins at 8pm. Admission is \$8 per person.

August 19



Moonlite Garden Party

The FINAL Moonlite Garden Party of the Season!! Dance under the stars to fantastic live music from BlueStone Ivory while Mr. DJ, J.D. Hughes, spins tunes in between sets. At Moonlite Gardens. Gates open at 7pm and band begins at 8pm. Admission is \$8 per person.

September 3



Big Band Dance

Step back in time as the Pete Wagner Orchestra plays wonderful music from the big band era. Admission is \$10 per person at the door. Gates open at 7pm and band begins at 8pm. Table reservations are available for groups of ten. Call 513-232-8230 to purchase advance tickets and reserve a table for your group.

September 3



Cruise-A-Palooza

This classic car show features hundreds of makes and models from all through the years! Professional judges will award trophies to the top 50 cars. Games, prizes and music make this event fun for the entire family!

September 24- Oct 9



Fall-O-Ween Festival

There's no place quite like Fall-O-Ween Fest to take in the tastes, sights and aromas of the fall season! Complete with decorative displays, interactive events for kids, Coney's Classic Rides, musical entertainment, farm babies and more... it's sure to be an experience the whole family will enjoy!