

Press Release for Town of Yates, NY, September 19, 2022

Grand Finale Lake Fair Celebrating Town of Yates' 200th Anniversary

On Saturday, September 24th, the Town of Yates will celebrate its bicentennial with the last of its three fairs - the "Grand Finale Lake Fair." The event will be from 1pm-6pm at the Yates Town Park at the northern terminus of Morrison Rd on Lake Ontario, and will be free admission to all.

After the "Family Fair" in July and the "Street Dance" in August, this final event of the bicentennial year for Yates will feature the unveiling of the newly renovated town park.

"We are very grateful for the NYS Resiliency and Economic Development Initiative and the Lyndonville Area Foundation grants," Yates Town Supervisor Jim Simon said. The \$2.5-million dollar upgrade to the park includes a new pavilion, playground, kayak launch, pier and walking path.

The event will begin at 1pm under the new pavilion with proclamations and brief speeches from state and local officials, followed by a ribbon and cake cutting.

Throughout the afternoon, food will be provided by the Polish Cadets and Mrs. Ribs food trucks (pay as you go), and free cake and cookies from Case-Nik cookies will be available. There will also be several craft vendors.

The new pavilion features handicap accessible bathrooms, and the new playground for kids ages 2-12 will be officially opened.

There will be several scavenger hunts with bicentennial commemorative prizes. There will also be chalk drawing on the new kayak launch. Weather permitting there will be stone skipping competitions on the lake.

Eagle Creek band will be playing live music from 3-5pm.

The event will take place rain or shine and, although there are a number of picnic tables available, organizers recommend bringing lawn chairs.

"Our 200th Anniversary Committee has worked hard for over a year to provide these three events, and we are very excited to see the culmination of our efforts. Members of the committee are Brad Bentley, Kelly Cousins, Cindy Grabowski, Susan Hrovat, Ginny Hughes, Russ Martino, Dawn Metty, Jim Simon, Cal Stinson, Georgette Stockman, Joanne Suhr, Valerie Wells, Tom Wenhold and Katie Whipple," Simon said.

Simon also acknowledged the important contribution of the Town government, especially the Highway Department, and the Yates Town Park Task Force including Linda Fisk, Jon Hinman, Ann Marie Holland, Paul Lauricella, Russ Martino, John Riggi, Jim Simon, Georgette Stockman and Roger Wolfe.

For more information go to the Town of Yates website: townofyates.org, or call Town Supervisor Jim Simon, 716-946-2075.