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BACK IN 1939

Take a look back at the world when the annual Sioux Empire Fair began in 1939:

President: Franklin Roosevelt
Vice President: John Garner
Life Expectancy: 59.7 years
World Series Champions:
New York Yankees
Pro Football Champions:
Green Bay Packers

Living Prices:

New House Average: \$3,850
Average Income: \$1,729
New Car Average: \$700
Tuition to Harvard: \$420
Gasoline: \$0.10 per gallon

Food Prices:

Granulated Sugar: \$0.59 per 10 lb
Milk: \$0.49 per gallon
Ground Hamburger: \$0.14 per lb
Bread: \$0.08

Music Hits:

Beer Barrel Polka by Will Glahe
Day In, Day Out by Bob Crosby
Our Love by Tommy Dorsey
Scatterbrain by Frankie Masters

Movies:

Gone with the Wind
The Wizard of Oz
Of Mice and Men
Mr. Smith Goes to Washington

75 YEARS OF DAZZLES AND DELIGHTS

The Sioux Empire Fair has changed with the times for seventy five years. Over time the fair has hosted events like horse races, stock car races, rodeo, destruction derby, and tractor pulls. Some artists that have graced the Grandstand stage are Hank Williams Jr., Toby Keith, ZZ Top, Pat Benatar, Christina Aguilera, Sheryl Crow, Britney Spears, and Hunter Hayes.



1970's Fair Exhibitors

Artists and events may come and go, but one thing that hasn't changed are the memories patrons are left with for a lifetime. Memories like watching your child show

for the first time, rocking out to your favorite artist, riding the ferris wheel with your first boyfriend, performing on the Front Porch, or eating cheese curds you've waited all year to enjoy.



Chicago in the Grandstand, 2008

The Sioux Empire Fair is ready to "Dazzle and Delight" patrons during it's Diamond Jubilee. This year we are proud to showcase all free concerts and rodeo with paid fair admission, a new Pipestone Discovery Barn, and traditional fair contests. We hope you come join the fun August 1 - 10 and leave with cherished memories.



1959 Aerial View of the Sioux Empire Fair

Upcoming Events



| Event | Date | Location |
|--|-------------|------------------|
| Sioux Empire Fair | Aug. 1 - 10 | Fairgrounds |
| Collective Soul w/ guest American Scarecrows | Aug. 2 | DLC Main Stage |
| Hairball | Aug. 3 | DLC Main Stage |
| Josh Turner w/ guest American Young | Aug. 4 | DLC Main Stage |
| Buckcherry | Aug. 5 | DLC Main Stage |
| The Beach Boys | Aug. 6 | DLC Main Stage |
| Randy Houser w/ guest Parmalee | Aug. 7 | DLC Main Stage |
| Scotty McCreery | Aug. 8 | DLC Main Stage |
| Pro Rodeo | Aug. 9 - 10 | Grandstand |
| Midwest Shrine Motor Corps | August 22 | East Parking Lot |
| Midwest Shrine Horse Corps | August 22 | Expo |

Sioux Empire Fair Concerts

Free with paid fair admission! Pay admission that day and watch that night's show for free! Begins nightly at 8 pm.



MIDWAY DEALS

- The Keloland Siouxper Pass is back for 2014! Only \$65 for rides and fair admission, August 1 - 10. On sale this July at local Hy-Vees.
- \$25 for a day wristband on Sneak Peek night, Friday, August 1st.
- Two for Tuesday: buy one, get one day wristbands.
- Dollar Rides on Wednesday.
- Cantastic Thursday: donate 3 non-perishable food items at a Midway ticket booth and receive \$10 off a day wristband.

Sioux Empire Fair Pro Rodeo

Free with paid fair admission!
Aug. 9 - 6:30 pm. Aug. 10 - 1:30 pm.

Seven events: Bull riding;
Steer Wrestling Bareback Riding;
Barrel Racing; Saddle Bronc Riding;
Team Roping;

Sioux Empire Fair

Admission: \$7 for adults. \$2 for kids ages 6 - 12. 5 and younger are free.

Free admission Aug. 1 and until 1 pm, Monday - Friday.

See the schedule and more deals at SiouxEmpireFair.com

FAIR FOOD

Deep fried, covered in chocolate, fresh squeezed, or smothered in deliciousness we have something for you to eat August 1 - 10. Below are the types of foods you can find.

- BBQ Sandwich and Brisket
- Fresh Strawberry Smoothies
- Fresh Squeezed Lemonade
- Tenderloins
- Indian Tacos
- Taco in a Tub
- Idaho Nachos and Loaded Fries
- Nachos (regular, BBQ, etc.)
- Mini Donuts
- Chislic
- Cheese curds
- Fried Cheesecake
- Fried Brownie
- Funnel Cakes
- Pizza and Chicken
- Turkey Legs
- Milkshakes, Floats, and Ice Cream
- Corn Dogs
- Cotton Candy
- Fried Mac n Cheese
- Gyros and Pitas
- Baklava
- Seafood
- Kettlecorn and Caramel Corn
- Cinnamon almonds and pecans
- Elephant ears
- Burritos
- Kabobs
- Pancakes and Pigs in a Blanket
- Eggs, Omelets, and Sausage
- Wood Fired Pizza
- Shaved Ice
- Wood roasted pork and ribs
- Kuchen

ADMISSION DEALS

- Free admission until 1 pm, Monday - Friday.
- Free admission opening day, August 1 at 5 pm.
- Free admission for military personnel and veterans with a valid form of ID.



4-H Sheep Show

4-H, FFA & AG EDUCATION

The Sioux Empire Fair is proud to host groups and activities that support agriculture education and our future farmers.

Step in the new Pipestone Discovery Barn to see events like live livestock births, chicks hatching, and cow milking. There will be hands-on activities available and real farmers to answer questions.

You can stroll down to Old Mac Donald's Farm where farm animals are on display with Harrisburg's FFA ready to talk to young kids about the animals.

FFA Shows and 4-H Shows take place during the week of the fair. Watching livestock shows and seeing the exhibitors in action is

a great way to learn and supports their livelihood.

Livestock Show Schedule:

Tuesday

8:30 am - 4-H Goat Show
4:00 pm - 4-H Sheep Show

Wednesday

9 am - 4-H Dairy Show
9 am - 4-H Poultry Show
9 am - FFA Market Hogs
2 pm - FFA Dairy Show
4 pm - 4-H Swine Show
6 pm - Open Market Lamb Show

Thursday

8 am - 4-H Beef Show
8 am - 4-H Rabbit Show
1 pm - FFA Market Lamb Show
3:30 pm - 4-H Round Robin Showmanship Contest
5 pm - Jr. Jackpot Market Hog Show

Friday

10 am - Open & Jr. Dairy Show
12:30 pm - FFA Beef Show

Saturday

8 am - All Purebred Beef Breeds
8:30 am - Open Rabbit Show
Noon - Open & Jr Market Goat

THE KIRBY SCIENCE DISCOVERY CENTER IS GOING TO THE SIOUX EMPIRE FAIR!

WATERMELON CONTEST

WHEN: Sunday, Aug. 10, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: The Arts Center, Sioux Empire Fair

WHAT: The heaviest watermelon contest will be held first. Participants will weigh their watermelon in the Arts Center. First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each age category. Prizes will be awarded based on the weight of the watermelon.

The watermelon seed spitting contest will be held following the weigh in. Participants can use their original watermelon or a different watermelon for the seed spitting. First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each age category. Prizes will be awarded based on how far you can spit the seeds.

AGE CATEGORIES:

- Ages 4-10
- Ages 11-17
- Ages 18+

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY AUGUST 9, 2014! LATE ENTRIES NOT ACCEPTED
Participants must bring their own watermelon. Participants may enter one or both contests.

YOUTH LEGO CONTEST

WHEN: Sunday, Aug. 10, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: The Arts Center, Sioux Empire Fair

WHAT: Participants will be allowed a maximum of 20 minutes to assemble their LEGO creation on a provided table space. Judges will observe and ask questions of each participant as they work. First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each age category. The public is invited to view.

AGE CATEGORIES:

- Age 3-5, using Duplos or LEGOs
- Age 6-9, using LEGOs
- Age 10-14, using LEGOs

Participants must bring their own Legos and a base on which to put their entry.
TO RESERVE A SPACE, PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY AUGUST 9, 2014! LATE ENTRIES NOT ACCEPTED

To register for either of these contests please visit www.siouxempirefair.com/competitive-shows/arts-and-hobbies
Presented by the Sioux Empire Fair

Buy a commemorative water bottle for only \$3 and receive \$1 refills at the fair concessions under the Grandstand.



BIG SIOUX RIVER

KEY

- First Aid
- Restrooms
- Food / Drink
- Information
- Cash Machine

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To Madison St.

To 12th St.

- Grandstand:** Free w/ paid fair admission concerts and Pro Rodeo.
- Pioneer Lane:** Great American Medicine Show, Nyberg Ace Bandstand Stage, and historic buildings.
- Family Stage:** Bob Bohm magic shows and Phil Baker.
- Bridlewood Barn Area:** 49's in Flight and White Tiger Exhibit.
- Exhibit Hall:** Benson's Flea Market (8/2&3) Fair Trade Show (8/5-10)