

Kent Heritage Festival...July 6th!

This year the 24th Annual Kent Heritage Festival will be held on **Saturday, July 6th**. The all-day celebration coordinated by the Kent Area Chamber of Commerce will be held in downtown Kent from 9:00 am - 11:00 pm. Fireworks will be set off from Kramer Ball Fields at **10:00 pm**.

There will be a few changes to the layout of this year's event. The Children's Section will be located on the Main Street Bridge. As in the past, there will be a rock climbing wall and bouncy house for kids of all ages to enjoy. The stage located in the past on N. Water Street, will now be on Franklin Avenue near the parking lot entrance for Treno Ristorante. This change will allow access to businesses located on N. Water whose customers were unable to get to them during the festival.

The biggest change will be relocating the Main Stage entertainment to the stage in Hometown Bank Plaza. Opening up Main Street between the Information Booth and railroad tracks will allow more space for booth vendors who were tuned away last year due to space restrictions. Also the last couple of years have brought scorching heat during the peak daytime hours that kept people from sitting on the chairs in front of the Main Stage. Many people sought refuge in the plaza area for shade. With the already permanent stage in place in the plaza, now people can enjoy the entertainment throughout the event in comfort. (*Fingers crossed for good weather on July 6th*).

As always, there will be a variety of food and craft booths, and many more local displays. The family-friendly event that is **FREE** and open to the public, concludes with a **fireworks display at 10:00 pm**.

A Classic Car Show, once again sponsored by Brimfield Insurance, will be located on West Erie and on North Franklin Street. Interested car owners who would like to participate are encouraged to get there early for a good spot.

Bring the family and come to downtown Kent. Come hungry, meet up with old friends and enjoy a day full of food and fun.

