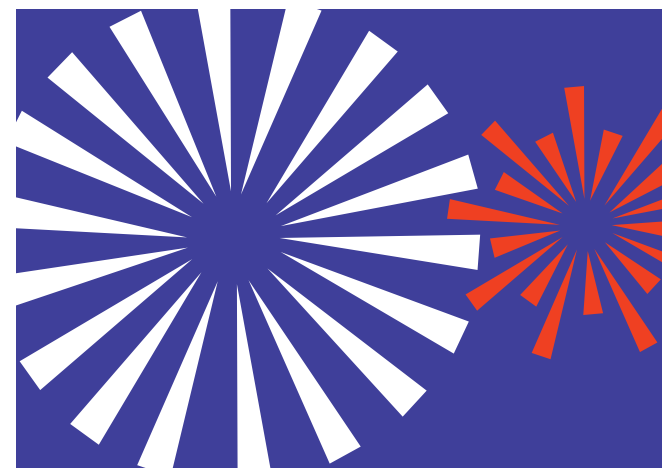


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- 1** Emergency services
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WHAT? An annual 4th of July celebration featuring live music and fireworks.

WHEN? Friday, July 4, 2008. Show begins at 8 p.m. Park opens at 5 p.m. for picnicking and pre-show family and children's activities. No pets, personal fireworks or grills allowed.

WHERE? River's Edge Sports Complex (also called 'River's Edge'), Roanoke, Virginia. (South side of the Roanoke River along Wiley Drive.) Wiley Drive will be closed to vehicular traffic all day July 4.

WHO? Event is co-sponsored by The Roanoke Times and The City of Roanoke with the Musical Performance presented by Kroger

COST? None. Event is free.

FIREWORKS: Presenting the display (9:30 - 10:00 P.M.) for a tenth consecutive year is "Fireworks By Pyrotecnico" of New Castle, Pennsylvania.

FAMILY FUN: An expanded children's and family play area near the tennis courts end of the field, sponsored by the Roanoke Parks & Recreation Department, will offer a inflatable slide, balloon bounce, putt-putt golf, potato sack races and other pre-show activities beginning at 5 PM.

A wide variety of refreshment concessions will be offered. Picnic baskets and lawn chairs are permitted. **There are no permanent seats at River's Edge.**

There is no parking at River's Edge. Access to the

event is by foot or shuttle bus. Shuttle bus service is provided from 5:00 P.M. on a continuing, non-stop cycle, until all patrons have been returned to their point of origin.

DO NOT: Please do not bring alcoholic beverages, fireworks, pets, tents, grills or large umbrellas that could obstruct the view for other patrons. All firearms are strictly prohibited.

SHUTTLE BUSES will operate to and from 2 locations: Williamson Road downtown parking garage, Williamson and Franklin Roads, and the Virginia Western Community College parking lot, Colonial Avenue at McNeil Drive. All buses are handicapped accessible and riders may bring chairs and coolers onboard. **NOTE: The entire street-level floor of the downtown garage is reserved for handicapped patrons.**

PROGRAM THEME:

**"America's Eagles"
Presented by Kroger**

A popular blend of patriotic symphonic and rock music saluting our great country and a tribute to one of America's iconic rock mega-groups, 'The Eagles', featuring The Roanoke Symphony Orchestra and special guests.

Note: There is no rain date for the complete show. However, in the event of a total washout, we will attempt to present the fireworks display on the following evening, Saturday, July 5, at 9:30 p.m. Should this happen, access to the area will be limited to the west end (Franklin Road,) portion of River's Edge, but no transportation (shuttle bus) will be operating.



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