

# Festival News Letter

April 2016

Frontier Days Festival, (847) 577-8572



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## Message from the President

Spring is here and it's hard to believe Festival 2016 is just around the corner. The Co-Chairs and the Coordinators are busy getting the many activities ready for the Festival. These activities could not take place without your help.

Last year our Area of Interest sign-up process had a glitch and we missed calling some of

you who signed up. We have made some changes and promise to contact you. Please fill out your **Area of Interest form** and return it to the Festival office or fill out this form online at [www.frontierdays.org](http://www.frontierdays.org). You can also sign up for different areas at our **General Meeting, Thursday, May 26, 7:30 pm at North School Park.**

All of your hard work and hours of volunteer time is the reason that Frontier Days continues to be such a popular event each summer.

Come join us for ice cream and a chance to hear the Co-Chairmen and Coordinators give updates on what's going on for Festival 2016.

Look forward to seeing you at the May meeting,

Pat Peery

## 2016 Co-Chairs News

Greetings from your Festival Co-Chairs. Festival 2015 was a great success. Due to everyone's hard work and dedication, we were able to give back to 17 organizations here in the Northwest Suburbs. The weather held out, during the 5 days of Frontier Days, Mother Nature made set-up a little challenging, but we were able open on time, and were a great success.

I'd like to thank all of you, for your time, dedication and hard work. It takes a large army to make Frontier Days what it is, the best festival in the Area. It also

takes the year round efforts of the Coordinators, and of course the Board of Directors. Without their dedication and direction, I'd be lost.

I thought you'd like to know this year's entertainment. We are breaking tradition, by announcing our artists early. The acts are in order of appearance are: **The Semple Band with Keith Semple, Plain White T's, The Wallflowers, Here Come the Mummies, and American English.**

I hope to see everyone at the next **General Meeting, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at Park**

**District Administration building, at North school Park.** It will be a good time to catch-up, meet our new Red-Shirts, and look at some other areas you might be interested in.

I'd also like to let everyone know, that my Co-Chair Matt Ottaviano, was involved in a motorcycle accident several weeks ago, and by the time you get this note, he should be back at home getting back into his daily routine, and getting back to his Co-Chair duties.

Tom Peterson

## Festival Organization

The Arlington Heights Festival Committee is made of volunteers just like you. Here is how the volunteers are organized: Board of Directors, Festival Co-Chairmen, Area Coordinators, Event Chairmen, and Red Shirt Volunteers

### **Board of Directors**

There are nine members of the Board of Directors who oversee the policies and procedures of the organization. They are elected by the general membership and serve a two year term.

### **Festival Co-Chairmen**

The two Co-Chairmen oversee the operational side of the Frontier Days' Fourth of July festival. They are appointed by the Board.

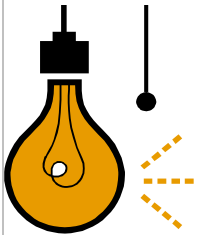
### **Area Coordinator Role**

A Coordinator is responsible for obtaining chairmen for all events in their area. They assist their event chairmen with the budgeting and planning for their specific event or operation. An Area Coordinator also attends monthly meetings with the Festival Co-Chairmen and other Co-Coordinators for overall communication and planning of the Festival.

### **Chairman Role**

A chairman, with the assistance of the Area Coordinator, plans the event, obtains volunteers for shift(s) during the event, obtains equipment and supplies, and meets budget allowances.

## FESTIVAL HELP WANTED



### **Food Booth Chairmen**

Use your supervisory skills to work with our volunteer staffing groups to prepare food. If you are more mechanical, we could use your help in servicing the cooking equipment. If you would like to work in the cool this summer, we have openings working with inventory in the food trucks. Please contact Jim Ray [food@frontierdays.org](mailto:food@frontierdays.org)

**Frontier Store** Looking for volunteers to help in Frontier Store for two-hour shifts. Contact Joe Klapka if you have any questions [sales@frontierdays.org](mailto:sales@frontierdays.org).

### **Parade**

Counting your steps this year, become a parade marshal - [parade@frontierdays.org](mailto:parade@frontierdays.org)

### **Stampede Run**

The run is on Sunday and we are always looking for help on the course. Contact [stampede@frontierdays.org](mailto:stampede@frontierdays.org) for more information.

### **Teen Team Meeting**

The Teen Team Meeting will be held at the Recreation Park building on **Wednesday June 1 at 7pm**. Come and find out about this year's volunteer opportunities for teens (age 12-17) and young adults (age 18-20). Membership applications can be found on the [frontierdays.org](http://frontierdays.org) website. Remember all Teen Team applications must include a parent/guardian signature. See Ryan Danzinger with any questions at [ryandanzinger@yahoo.com](mailto:ryandanzinger@yahoo.com) or 847-624-0806.

### **Disability Days**

We are grateful for the dozens of Redshirts that volunteer to help each year on Citizens with Disability Day. With the 4th falling on Monday this year, this event will be held **Saturday, July 2**. Please keep this in mind as you plan your holiday weekend so you can share in this fantastic Festival event. Jim King [jfk4382@aol.com](mailto:jfk4382@aol.com)

## 2016 FESTIVAL COORDINATORS

### ADMINISTRATION

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### BEER/WINE

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### ENTERTAINMENT

Bill Peery

### FAMILY ACTIVITIES

LeAnn Lenz

### FINANCE

Erv Campbell

### FOOD

Jim Ray

### GROUPS & SERVICES

Gary Lenz

### MARKETING

Nicole Bjorgo

Diane Hanc

### SALES

Joe Klapka

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Jim King

### SPONSORS

Pat Peery

### SPORTS ACTIVITIES & SOCCER

Morris Minuskin

### STAFFING

MaryAnn Kornblum

### STAMPEDE

Steve Sawyer

### VOLUNTEERS

Ryan Danzinger

## New Members

The 2016 Festival begins in just under two months. We are expecting a large number of new members this year to keep this a vibrant and modern organization. As part of that program we are looking for Red Shirts to act as mentors to new members. This would involve making a personal contact with a new member (we would let you know who that is), inviting them to meetings, checking in with them during the Festival, and inviting them to the recognition dinner after the Festival. You would get a maximum of two to three new members. This should not take up a lot of time but we know that making a personal contact with new members will increase the likelihood that they stay with the organization for many years to come. If you are interested please contact a member of the Membership Committee (Ryan Danzinger, Tom Hahn, and Matt Ottaviano) or e-mail us at [membership@frontierdays.org](mailto:membership@frontierdays.org). This is a vital part of keeping Frontier Days a world-class organization for another forty-one years. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Ryan

## Redshirt News

Beverly Ottaviano won the Daily Herald Community Art and Writing Contest - Poetry Category, won for the poem, "A Murder of Crows." Award presented at Arts Unlimited Reception, April 13, 2016.

Get well goes to:

Janelle Kulisch who had knee surgery and Matt Ottaviano who had a motorcycle accident and is recovering.

Our condolences go to:

Donna Jonas on the death of her fiancé, Robert Growney.

Joe Hess, as his wife Naseem Anjam, passed away. Naseem was a long time Festival member.

Margaret Arden, Wayne Arden passed away in recent months.

Fun News: Audrey Olsen volunteers in the winter at the Naples Zoo and loves giraffe's. Last fall she dressed up as a giraffe for Halloween.



## Announcements

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### 2016 Food Vendors

We are excited to announce to you the food vendors at the festival this year. We have Sweet Baby Rays coming back in the main food tent. Please welcome Grande Jakes as a first time vendor in the main food tent. Lou's Pizza Factory will be returning in the backyard.

At the taste booth we have a first time taste booth vendor New Golden Dragon on Thursday, another first time taste booth vendor Cortland's Garage on Friday and Saturday, China Kitchen returning this year on Sunday and New Golden Dragon again on Monday.

Please give a frontier days welcome to these food vendors this year.

### Red Shirts & Hats

Shirts and hats can be picked up at the June 16 General Meeting and the June 29 Walk Through. To have your shirt order ready for the June 16 General Meeting, you must place your shirt order by the May 26 General Meeting. The final deadline for shirt orders is June 16. Order forms can be found on the [frontierdays.org](http://frontierdays.org) website. See Ryan Danzinger with any questions at [ryandanzinger@yahoo.com](mailto:ryandanzinger@yahoo.com) or 847-624-0806.

