

Music Returning to the City Park Bandshell....

The Valley City Parks & Recreation is planning another exciting summer of Music at the City Park Bandshell on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 pm starting June 7th. Local musicians are featured each week showcasing their talents for the community and surrounding area.

The free concerts started as “Music in the Park” the summer of 1996 and continued each summer until 2009. After the flood of 2009, the band shell was declared structurally unsafe and music in the park relocated to the courthouse lawn.

During late summer, 2014, work began to move the City Park Bandshell to a slightly new location in the park. It is now placed on a new concrete foundation. The Bandshell withstood the moving process with very little additional structural damage. The programs returned to the bandshell in July, 2015. Fully planning on returning to the bandshell the summer of 2016, the flood protection construction project at the entrance of City Park began that spring. Programs will be returning to the City Park Bandshell this summer, 2017!

“We are very excited to bring our programs to you from the bandshell and back to City Park,” Diane Sommerfeld said. “We have a great line up of programs again this summer. There is also a couple dates to fill, so let me know if you would like to join us!”

The bandshell stands strong. There is still some work to complete and is a continued work in progress. Donations can be made to “Save the Bandshell, PO Box 422, Valley City, ND 58072.

Kathie Brekke & The 42nd Street Jazz Band to open the season Wednesday, June 7 @ 7:15 pm, City Park Bandshell in Valley City

The Valley City Parks & Recreation is excited to bring Kathie Brekke & the 42nd Street Jazz Band, Moorhead, MN back to kick off the season at the City Park Bandshell on Wednesday, June 7 at 7:15 pm.

The 42nd Street Jazz Band is a highly energetic and entertaining musical group that performs a great mix of music for people of all ages at a variety of events around the region. They have over 40 years of musical entertainment experience and can do everything from background music, to entertaining shows or wedding dances. During the summer months, this group of talented musicians can be found performing at Jasper’s Theater in Park Rapids and have been the long time hosts of JAZZ NIGHT at the former Ramada now Delta Hotel in Fargo on Thursday nights.



The band includes: singer/pianist, Kathie Brekke; Sax/clarinetist, Harley Sommerfeld; drummer, Jim Knudson, Bassist/singer, Kent Karch; Trumpeter, Shawn Brekke. Each member of 42nd Street has performed in various styles of bands throughout the region with a combination of 40 years of musical entertainment experience. Give them a request – they are happy to play it!!

Plan to come out for the evening.... Bring your family & lawn chairs and enjoy the evening with neighbors & friends! A freewill offering is taken each night for the continued support of the City Park Bandshell. *(Due to inclement weather, the program will be held at the Foss Building on the VCSU Campus, College St. SW)*

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