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News Release: First Ever Star Spangled Spectacular Themed Shirts Available Starting May 1st

Storm Lake, IA (May 1, 2025) — The Star Spangled Spectacular is proud to announce the launch of its first-ever themed shirts, celebrating this year's theme: "Celebrate Freedom, Feel the Vibe in 2025." These shirts will be available for purchase starting May 1st, bringing patriotic spirit and community pride to life in wearable form.

Commodores Matt and Linda Ricklefs are thrilled to introduce this fun, patriotic way for the community to show its spirit and support the Star Spangled Spectacular!

"We're incredibly excited to share these shirts with the community," said Commodore Linda Ricklefs. "They're a fun way to show your support and enthusiasm for the Spectacular—and to look great doing it!"

"This is just the beginning," added Commodore Matt Ricklefs. "We hope these shirts become a tradition and a must-have every year."

These patriotic themed shirts will be available for purchase online at <https://starspangledspectacular25.itemorder.com/shop/home/> starting May 1st in multiple colors and sizes. They can either be delivered directly to your door or picked up locally—whichever is most convenient. Online sales will end on June 5th. In addition, The Sugar Bowl will carry a selection of sizes and colors in-store, giving our community another easy way to grab their limited edition shirts before they're gone. All proceeds will go towards the Star Spangled Spectacular celebration.

About the Star Spangled Spectacular A favorite Northwest Iowa tradition, Storm Lake's annual Star Spangled Spectacular celebrates Independence Day along the City's beautiful shores. The family-friendly event is held July 3-4 and welcomes fresh entertainment and returning favorites such as The Big Parade, food and shopping vendors, a classic Car Cruise, the Ride-Run, fireworks, a Patriotic Ceremony, a Kiddie Parade, and more. Visit www.starspangledspectacular.net.

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