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Storm Lake Classic Car Cruise & Show Kicks Off July 4th Celebrations

Storm Lake, Iowa (June 4, 2026) — The engines will roar and the celebration will begin as Storm Lake's annual Star Spangled Spectacular kicks off with the beloved Classic Car Cruise & Show on Friday, July 3, 2026. As part of this year's theme, *Built on Freedom. Bound by Community.*, the event will bring together residents and visitors for an evening of nostalgia, entertainment, and family fun.

Classic cars, sports cars, motorcycles, and other unique vehicles are invited to participate in the cruise. No registration is required. Participants should gather at 4:00 p.m. at the Storm Lake Administration Building (formerly the AEA Building), located at 824 Flindt Drive. The cruise will depart at 4:45 p.m., following a scenic route around the lake coordinated by organizers Jason and Robert Knapton.

Residents along the route are encouraged to enjoy the procession from their homes, while spectators can gather at Sunset Park for prime viewing and an evening full of activities.

The Classic Car Show begins at 5:30 p.m. in Sunset Park, where attendees can admire an impressive collection of vehicles representing generations of automotive history. Food vendors will begin serving at 5:00 p.m., offering a wide variety of food and refreshments.

Family-friendly activities throughout the evening include the popular Kiddie Parade, balloon art, and live music by returning favorite PetRock Band, taking the bandshell stage at 7:00 p.m.

The celebration continues on Saturday, July 4, beginning with the popular Ride-Run Around the Lake. Registration is now open at runsignup.com/Race/IA/StormLake/RideRun. The annual Big Parade along Lakeshore Drive will begin at 10:30 a.m., businesses, organizations, and community groups are encouraged to register and participate.

Throughout the day, attendees can enjoy more than 30 food vendors, live music, family activities, and community entertainment before the festivities culminate with the grand fireworks display at 10:00 p.m., lighting up the skies above Storm Lake.

For questions regarding the Classic Car Cruise, please contact:

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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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