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## **Y'ALL-STAR MONTH KICKS OFF WITH TWO BANGS**

*Florence's Celebrate Independence Day Event to be held at Freedom*



**FLORENCE, KY** – If you're a fan of fireworks, the City of Florence and the Florence Freedom, then UC Health Stadium will be the place to be for the Independence Day holiday as the July 'Y'All-Star Month' kicks-off.

The Frontier League's 2016 Y'All-Star Game presented by Aire Serv of Greater Cincinnati, will be hosted at the Freedom's UC Health Stadium on Wednesday, July 13.

To help celebrate, the City of Florence and the Freedom have partnered together this year to host the City's annual 'Celebrate Independence Day Event' (typically held at the Florence Government Center) on Sunday, July 3 at UC Health Stadium.

One night later on Monday, July 4, the Freedom will host the Southern Illinois Miners in a Frontier League West Division showdown at 7:05pm. The crowd will be treated to performances by national entertainer Mad Chad, best known for his dangerous juggling acts, including chain saws, which were featured on a recent Progressive Insurance television commercial. The July 4<sup>th</sup> game will conclude with a 'Double Fireworks Show', detonated by Elite Pyrotechnics (tickets for this event go on sale on Tuesday, March 15).

### **JULY 3 – CITY OF FLORENCE'S CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENT @ UC HEALTH STADIUM**

The July 3 event will include carnival rides, a car show, live music, food tents, beer & wine tastings, a vintage baseball game, and fireworks for citizens to enjoy in and around the stadium. Admission to the stadium will be free to the public for the July 3<sup>rd</sup> event.

"The City of Florence has even more to look forward to this year with our baseball team hosting its league's All-Star Game," Mayor Diane E. Whalen said. "As a celebration of our team hosting the Y'All-Star Game, we thought we'd kick-off Y'All-Star month with a tremendous event at the stadium."

To celebrate our country's independence, the event will conclude with a fireworks show over the ballpark detonated by northern Kentucky-based Elite Pyrotechnics, the official fireworks company of the Florence Freedom.

"This is going to be a special year for the City of Florence and for us with these marquee events," Freedom General Manager Josh Anderson said. "We're honored to host the City's fireworks event. If you enjoy the Freedom's Friday night firework shows, be prepared to be even more in awe of the show planned for the July 3<sup>rd</sup> event by the City."

**Event itinerary for the July 3<sup>rd</sup> event includes:**

- 4pm – 9pm KidZone Activities featuring Cincinnati Circus
- 4pm – 10pm Food booths and beer & wine tastings
- 4pm – 11pm Murray Bros. Shows Rides & Games
- 6pm Florence Police Honor Guard's Patriotic Salute
- 6pm – 7pm Florence Community Band's Patriotic Tribute
- 6pm – 8pm Independence Day Cruise-In
- 6pm – 8pm Vintage Baseball Game
- 7pm Musical Performance by The Leroy Ellington Band
- 10pm Fireworks display by Elite Pyrotechnics

Single game tickets for the Freedom's 2016 season will go on sale to the public on Tuesday, March 15. Fans can guarantee Y'All-Star, Home Run Derby and opening day tickets before they go on sale to the general public by purchasing season tickets, or a group outing starting at 16 people.

The Freedom, presented by Titan Mechanical Solutions, are members of the Independent Professional Frontier League and play a 96 game schedule with 48 regular season home games at UC Health Stadium, located at 7950 Freedom Way in Florence, Kentucky. The 2016 Frontier League Y'All-Star game, presented by Aire Serv, will take place on Wednesday, July 13. The Frontier League Home Run Derby, presented by Toyota, will take place on Tuesday, July 12.

Visit the Freedom online at [FlorenceFreedom.com](http://FlorenceFreedom.com), or call the stadium at 859-594-HITS (4487).

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