

### **Mayor Chadwick's Message**

Welcome to this special mid-month edition of the City of Star newsletter—dedicated entirely to our biggest community event of the year: the **16th Annual Hometown Celebration**!

Whether it's your first time or your favorite tradition, **Hometown Celebration** is a full day of food, fun, and patriotic celebration right here in Star. This guide includes everything you need to plan your day—from when to arrive for the Fun Run, to where to park for the fireworks.

New this year: we've added a **free shuttle service**, expanded the food vendor options, and increased public safety. Be sure to review the parade route, road closures, and park rules to help keep the event safe and awesome for everyone.

We can't wait to celebrate with you!

Star = Community

Mayor Trevor A. Chadwick

# **Hometown Celebration Guide**



#### **New Location for 2025!**

### Firecracker Fun Run

#### **Essential Details:**

- Check in at 7:00 AM; race starts at 8:00 AM
- Location: Freedom Park
- Distance: 5K (3 laps around the course)
- Entry Fee: \$15 (includes t-shirt)

Register



# **Hometown Celebration Parade**

#### **Essential Details:**

- Seneca Springs Way between
   State and W Vega Drive Closure:
   9:00 AM
- Parade Route Closure: 9:45 AM to approx. 11:15 AM
- Traffic Impact: Full closure of W.
   State Street at Plummer to Star
   Road and Star Road from W. State
   Street to Blake Dr.

Road Closures, Participants & More



### **Old Fashioned Pie Auction**

### **Essential Details:**

• Pie Drop-Off: 9:00 to 9:20 AM

Live Auction: 12:30 to 1:30 PM

• Location: Star Riverhouse, 960 S.

Main Street

• Prizes: 1st Place - \$100 | 2nd -

\$50 | 3rd – \$25

• Top 10 pies go to live auction

All others sold via silent auction

**More Info** 

### Grand Old Flag Luncheon

### **Essential Details:**

• Time: 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

• Location: Star Riverhouse, 960 S.

Main Street

• Cost: \$7 per person

• Hosted By: Star Lions Club

**More Info** 

# Yankee Doodle Kid's Zone & Food Court

#### **Essential Details:**

Start Time: 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

- Location: Hunters Creek Park
- Water Activities Provided By
   Treasure Valley Bounce & Slide
- Includes: Inflatable slides,
   obstacle courses, water play, Star
   Fire Truck spray

Kid's Zone

**Food Court** 

# **Concert & Freedom Fireworks Show**

#### **Essential Details:**

• Concert: 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM

• Location: Hunter's Creek Park

• Band: Sweet Briar

• Mayor's Address: 10:00 PM

• Fireworks Start: 10:15 PM

Fireworks Zone: Marked &

barricaded for safety (do not enter)

**Sweet Briar Concert** 

**Freedom Fireworks** 

### Park Rules & Safety

#### **Essential Details:**

- No Alcohol or Smoking Not allowed anywhere in the park.
- No Pets Fireworks are loud.
   Leave them home.
- No Personal Fireworks That includes sparklers.

Stay Out of Drop Zone –
 Marked with blue barricades. No entry.

PLEASE READ ALL RULES HERE!

## NEW FOR 2025! Shuttle Service

#### **Essential Details:**

- Morning Service: 8:00 9:45 AM (for parade access)
- Evening Service: 3:30 11:30
   PM (for concert and fireworks access)

**Shuttle Stop Info** 

# 2025 HOMETOWN CELEBRATION GRAND MARSHAL - CARSON SPEAR

The City of Star is proud to announce that **Carson Speer**—a decorated U.S. Army veteran, Executive Director of the Warhawk Air Museum in Nampa, and proud **Star resident**—will serve as our **2025 Hometown Celebration Parade Grand Marshal!** 

Carson's incredible journey from growing up near Beale Air Force Base to leading combat missions in Iraq is a story of grit, service, and sacrifice. He was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart for his actions under fire,

and today he continues serving veterans through his leadership at the Warhawk Air Museum.

Carson, his wife Erin, and their children make their home right here in Star, and we're honored to celebrate one of our own this Independence Day.



Read the full article—reprinted with permission from *Idaho Veterans*Network—about Carson's journey from the battlefield to the museum and why he's an incredible representative of our community:

**Read Carson's Story HERE** 

**From Star Fire** 

# Know Before You Light: Fireworks Laws & Safety

Before you light that fuse, make sure you know the rules. Aerial fireworks are illegal in Star, and injuries are no joke—over 10,000 people were hurt nationwide last year. Check out these important safety tips and local laws from our Fire Marshal to help keep your holiday fun and fire-free.

**Fire Safety** 

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS & EVENTS

# Historical Committee Plans Time Capsule

The City of Star's Historical Committee is in the process of putting together a time capsule to be opened on July 4th, 2050. The committee is seeking one-page letters from the community to be included in the time capsule. The prompt is "What will Star be in 2050." The letters must be printed or typed on 8.5 x 11 and can be dropped off at Star City Hall.

# ISO CDL Driver for July 4th Shuttle

The City of Star is looking for a qualified CDL driver with a Passenger (P) endorsement to operate our city shuttle bus during the Hop-On, Hop-Off parking service on Friday, July 4th.

- Must have a valid
   Commercial Driver's
   License (CDL)
- Clean driving record and current insurance required
- Full Day \$500

If interested, please email info@staridaho.org

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