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Hometown Picnic features summertime traditions

Naperville, IL — Naper Settlement’s Hometown Picnic features summertime traditions including games, contests, a vintage baseball game and an apple pie baking competition from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at 523 S. Webster St. in Naperville. All activities are included with admission, which is \$12 adults, \$10 seniors (62+) and \$8 youth (4-12). Naperville residents (with proof of residency) and members receive free admission.

“The annual Hometown Picnic offers traditional summertime fun featuring family-friendly activities and contests,” said Vice President of Community Engagement and Audience, Donna Sack. “The apple pie baking competition and the vintage baseball game will give visitors a chance to experience some American nostalgia.”

Visitors are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets and a picnic to enjoy the fast-paced action of bare knuckle baseball, based on the original rules from 1858, when the Lemont Quarrymen take on the Springfield Long Nines at 1 p.m.

More bakers are needed for the apple pie baking competition. Past year’s entries have included double-crust pies, streusel-topped pies and apple-fruit combinations. Bakers are encouraged to enter the contest by contacting Colleen Stanek at (630) 305-5252 or email her at stanekc@naperville.il.us. Rules are available on the Naper Settlement website, www.napersettlement.org.

Pie judges include State Senator Michael Connelly, Illinois State Representative Grant Wehrli, Naperville City Councilwoman Patty Gustin, Naperville Heritage Society Board members Erik Long and Mark London, Naper Settlement Museum Board members Bill Jeffries and Gregory Waite, and DeEtta’s Bakery Owner Kevin Tyschper.

Games and activities include lawn twister, a candy walk, 3-legged race, pop bottle ring toss, croquet, a children’s coloring contest, and a Joe Naper Fire Pumper demonstration at 2:45 p.m. Food for purchase will include some tasty desserts from DeEtta’s Bakery.

About Naper Settlement

Naper Settlement is a nationally accredited, award-winning outdoor museum set on 12 magnificent acres in the heart of Naperville, where history comes to play and community comes to connect. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.org or call (630) 420-6010.

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