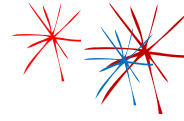


James “Dutch” Fogarty
Independence Day Celebration Committee
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To Organize, Fund, Promote and Deliver
Manchester’s long standing Independence Day Celebration and Fireworks

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MANCHESTER FIREWORKS

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TALENT

The Town of Manchester is pulling out all the stops for the most “you better be there” party of the season. The James “Dutch” Fogarty Fourth of July Celebration committee is celebrating 39 years of legendary live music, kid’s zone activities, market place offerings, food, family, friends and fireworks-filled fun. This annual get-together will be the highlight of the summer and is not something to be missed. It all starts at 4:00 p.m. and goes until the last rocket lights up the sky at 9:55 p.m.

Our artist lineup begins with the “Silver Fox String Band” taking the stage at 4:45. SFSB, founded in 2020, is a group of passionate musicians who have come together from diverse musical backgrounds to create and share music they love with their fans. With roots ranging from country, bluegrass, rock and R&B, the band offers a truly unique and transcendental experience for those in search of a fresh new sound inspired by the classics.

The band “Nightshift” formed in 2015 and since their very first gig has been one of the most in-demand cover bands in Connecticut. We feel fortunate to have them grace our stage for the second year in a row. They are the most appropriate band to play for Fourth of July celebrations because of their strong support for all of our veterans, active-duty military, Police, Fire and Dispatchers (and their families). They perform only the most popular and the most fun songs from the 60’s, 70’s and 80’s. You will definitely be up dancing and singing when Nightshift starts playing.

To perform our National Anthem we are bringing in a multi-talented performing artist from Manchester who has portrayed various characters on stage and performed in numerous live musical events, and she’s only ten years old. Rylie Pennington found her passion for performing and singing at a very young age. She has an abundance of rich, musical inspiration in her life such as her Dad, as well as her Fox Hill School of Music vocal, guitar and acting coaches. Rylie’s favorite role on stage thus far was playing Marty in Madagascar with CAST Children’s Theatre. Other memorable musical moments include singing the National Anthem and “God Bless America” at Hartford’s XL Center as well as the National Anthem and “America the Beautiful” at Dunkin Park. Rylie recently won the Connecticut VFW’s National Anthem singing competition. She loves performing live gigs with her band “Daddy Long Legs” which is an acoustic Father/Daughter duo. You can see Rylie this July as Matilda Wormwood in “Matilda the Musical” at the Chestnut Street Playhouse in Norwich.

With this much talent on stage and so much happening on the grounds, why would anyone miss Manchester's James "Dutch" Fogarty Fourth of July Celebration on July 6, 2024 on the grounds of CT. State Community College Manchester (Manchester Community College) at 60 Bidwell Street.

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