

Lonsdale 'waver' is Community Day Grand Marshal

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Every motorist driving in and out of Lonsdale's east side gets a wave. The city's unofficial greeter is Johnny Carson, who loves waving to everybody and hopes it makes their day.

He's famous for his waves and cheerful demeanor, so much so that he was chosen as the Grand Marshal for the 2022 Lonsdale Community Day that will be held on August 13.

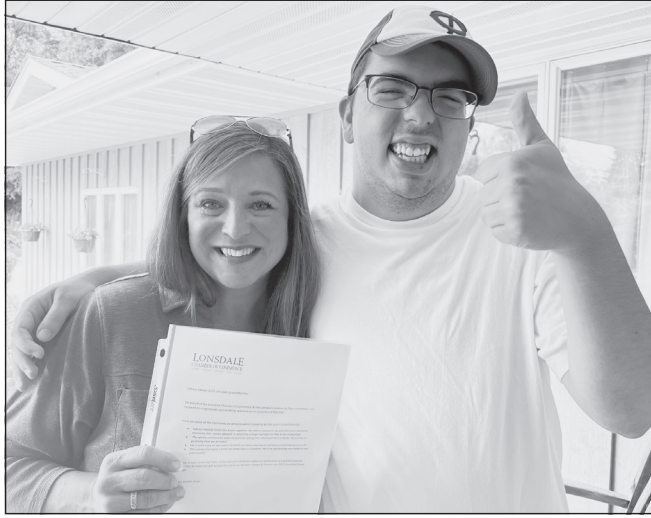
The announcement was made by Shanna Gutzke-Kupp, Executive Director of the Lonsdale Chamber of Commerce on July 7 after the chamber asked the community for nominations.

To be nominated, the person must live in Lonsdale, be in good standing in the community and display outstanding service and support, and be more than 18 years old.

Almost 60 people cast their nominations, which the Lonsdale Chamber Board of Directors and Lonsdale Community Day Committee reviewed.

Here are some of the comments on why Carson was chosen to be this year's Grand Marshal:

- "Johnny literally holds this town together. He cheers everyone up and whenever someone mentions him, smiles abound. It would be a huge highlight for him to be recognized."



Johnny Carson, Lonsdale's 'waver' to passing cars, is the 2022 Lonsdale Community Day Grand Marshal. He is pictured with Shanna Gutzke-Kupp, Executive Director of the Lonsdale Chamber of Commerce.

- "The whole community looks forward to seeing him whenever he is outside. He is a ray of positivity that we all need!"
- "He is such a joy to see and is ALWAYS out there waving to everyone and bringing joy to all!"
- "This young man puts a smile on every face in Lonsdale. He is an upstanding role model in our community!"
- "He's always smiling, waving and he brightens my day on my way back from work! Plus, he's super friendly whenever I run into him at a store!"
- "He is a staple of this community ... not a day goes by I don't look to see if he's there! Johnny, 1,000%."
- "He's from this community spreading love and happiness - brings a smile to everyone's face and warms the heart - which in this day and age is so deeply needed!"
- "Ambassador to Lonsdale! So friendly. Waves to everyone going by. He deserved this so much. He truly seems to love everyone. Residents of Lonsdale sure do love him."

Gutzke-Kupp stated, "Because of his amazing heart, smile, and ability to unite our community in a positive way we THANK YOU & are thrilled you accepted this honor to become always and forever our 2022 Lonsdale Grand Marshal!"

MONTGOMERY'S KOLACKY DAYS 2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Broadcasting Live from the Bohemian Triangle

The area including Montgomery, Lonsdale and New Prague is the Bohemian Triangle where you will find the love of Czech Culture and a strong appreciation for old time music. The Arts and Heritage Center will be displaying a large number of old radios, collected and owned by Duane Jindra, and other music memorabilia. The whole town will be involved with window displays celebrating favorite old time music scores. Many people will remember, or still do enjoy polka music on the radio. This Kolacky Day we will help you relive and reminisce these wonderful parts of our lives.

Thursday, July 21

ARTS & HERITAGE CENTER EXHIBIT*

Broadcasting Live from the Bohemian Triangle
2:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Hilltop Hall

LEGO CHALLENGE CONTEST - NEW FOR 2022

Entries accepted 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. | Judging 7:00 p.m.
MACC Office | 206 1st St. S

Friday, July 22

REDBIRD REUNION*

Noon - 9:00 p.m. | Montgomery Brewing Company

ARTS & HERITAGE CENTER EXHIBIT*

Broadcasting Live from the Bohemian Triangle
Noon - 5:00 p.m. | Hilltop Hall

ROYALTY AT THE REVIVAL DINNER

5:00 p.m. | Revival on Main | 213 1st St. S
Open to the Public | Questions (612) 756-0938

PIVO (BEER) GARDEN & FOOD STANDS

Opens 5:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

INFLATABLES BY JUMP CITY PARTY RENTALS

Opens 5:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

7TH ANNUAL US NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP OF PRUNE SPITTING

6:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

MUSIC IN THE PARK

Jumpin' at the Woodside | Variety
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

QUEEN'S PAGEANT

7:00 p.m. (Doors open 6:15 p.m.) | TCU Performing Arts Center located at 700 4th St. NW | Admission Charge

FLAMING BURRITO CHALLENGE PRESENTED BY TACO BIEN - NEW FOR 2022

7:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

HOMEMADE WINE COMPETITION - NEW LOCATION FOR 2022

Open blind judging, no default winners

Entries accepted 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Judging 7:30 p.m. | City Hall | 201 Ash Ave. SW

PARK DANCE

Blue Ringers | Get Up & Dance & Drink Kind of Music
8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. | Memorial Park

Saturday, July 23

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BREAKFAST*

7:45 - 11:00 a.m. | American Legion Post #79

57TH ANNUAL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT*

Begins 8:00 a.m. | ASA Officiated

North Side Park

32ND ANNUAL TOUR de BUN BIKE CLASSIC

8:00 a.m. | 15, 35 and 50 mile courses

Start at Memorial Park Stadium. Parking available by Grandstand. Enter off of Oak Ave. SE

CO-ED VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

8:00 a.m. | Memorial Park

23RD ANNUAL KOLACKY CLASSIC CAR SHOW

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Along 1st St.

Historic Downtown Montgomery

KOLACKY VINTAGE SNOWMOBILE SHOW

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. | 1st St. & Vine Ave.



BE A KOLACKY DAYS SUPPORTER! TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PRESALE BUTTON AT \$5.00 BEFORE KOLACKY DAY WEEKEND. BUTTONS PURCHASED DURING THE WEEKEND WILL BE \$8.00.

Good for admission to Memorial Park Fri. & Sat. Evenings. Memorial Park free to ages 12 and under. No admission charge on Sunday! No minors in Pivo (Beer) Garden after 9 p.m. Fri. & Sat. Evenings!

Saturday, July 23

BOHEMIAN MARKET - REVAMPED FOR 2022

10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. | Crafters, Makers, & More

Memorial Park

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

Begins 9:00 a.m. | Memorial Park | (Must Pre-Register)

PINEWOOD DERBY* - FREE HOT WHEELS

9:00 a.m. - Noon | Frandsen Bank & Trust | 125 1st St. S

RESTORED KECK-GONNERMAN ENGINE FROM THE JOE RYNDA COLLECTION DISPLAY

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. | Frandsen Bank & Trust

ARTS & HERITAGE CENTER* - FOOD AVAILABLE

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Hilltop Hall | 206 1st St. N.

Broadcasting Live from the Bohemian Triangle

HOMEMADE KOLACKY BAKING CONTEST - NEW TIME FOR 2022

Entries accepted 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. | Judging 10:00 a.m.

City Hall | 201 Ash Ave. SW

BLACKSMITH MUSEUM*

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. | 505 1st St. S

ANTIQUE TRACTOR & SMALL ENGINE DISPLAY

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Along Ash Ave. SE -

Historic Downtown Montgomery | Alley East of 1st St. S

Near Frandsen Bank & Trust

PIVO (BEER) GARDEN & FOOD STANDS

Opens 10 a.m. | Memorial Park

KIDDIE PARADE

10:00 a.m. | (Registration begins 9:45 a.m.)

Memorial Park

INFLATABLES BY JUMP CITY PARTY RENTALS

Opens 10:00 a.m. | Memorial Park

CENTER STAGE DANCE

Performance at 11:00 a.m. | Memorial Park

TRI-CITY UNITED DANCE TEAM

Performance at 11:30 a.m. | Memorial Park

TACO SPEED CHALLENGE PRESENTED BY TACO BIEN - NEW FOR 2022

Noon | Memorial Park

BLACKSMITHING DEMONSTRATION*

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Heyda Blacksmith Shop next to

Antique Tractor & Small Engine Display

KIDS' PEDAL PULL

Noon | In the Heart of Memorial Park

OLD TIME MUSICIANS' JAMBOREE

Noon - 3:00 p.m. | Hosted by Tom Goetzinger

Memorial Park

BEAN BAG TOSS TOURNAMENT*

1:00 p.m. start | 2-member teams

American Legion Post #79 | 102 Elm Ave. SW

LOG CABIN DISPLAY

The Art of Arrowhead Making | 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Memorial Park

BOHEMIAN TRACTOR PULL

3:00 p.m. | In the Heart of Memorial Park

ROCK-N-ROLL IN THE PARK

Gold Star | Classic Country, 50s & 60s, & Classic Rock

3:30 - 6:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

OLD TIME MUSIC IN THE PARK

Larry Novotny and the Novotny Trio | Polka

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

PARK DANCE

Bootleg | Rock-N-Roll Cover Band

8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. | Memorial Park

PIVO (BEER) GARDEN & FOOD STANDS

- FULL BAR & DELICIOUS FOOD -

SUPPORT MANY OF MONTGOMERY AREA'S NONPROFITS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND ASSOCIATIONS BY STOPPING BY MEMORIAL PARK!

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Sunday, July 24

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT*

Continues 8:00 a.m. | North Side Park

43RD KOLACKY DAYS 5K BUN RUN

9:30 a.m. | Starts at TCU Middle School and ends on 1st

St. (Main Street)

KOLACKY DAYS TWO-MILE FITNESS WALK

9:30 a.m. | TCU Middle School

BOHEMIAN MARKET - REVAMPED FOR 2022

11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. | Crafters, Makers, & More

Memorial Park

FLAG-RAISING CEREMONY

11:00 a.m. | Frandsen Bank & Trust | 125 1st St. S

KOLACKY DAYS KIDS' RACE - ONLY \$13 IF YOU REGISTER EARLY

11:30 a.m. - Ages 10-12

11:35 a.m. - Ages 8 - 9

11:40 a.m. - Ages 7 and Under

Starts at 1st St. N by Center Stage Dance

KOLACKY DAYS GRAND DAY PARADE

Noon | Along 1st St.

PIVO (BEER) GARDEN & FOOD STANDS

Opens Noon | Memorial Park

INFLATABLES BY JUMP CITY PARTY RENTALS

Opens 1:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

MUSIC IN THE PARK

The Charlie Sticha Band | Polka, Waltz, & Country

1:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Memorial Park

LOG CABIN DISPLAY

The Art of Arrowhead Making | 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Memorial Park

ST. PAUL CZECH & SLOVAK FOLK DANCERS

2:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

42ND ANNUAL TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL

2:30 p.m. | 1 mi. S of town on Hwy. 13

Admission Charge

KOLACKY DAYS PROGRAM & KOLACKY EATING CONTEST

3:00 p.m. | Hosted by Tom Goetzinger

Memorial Park Stage

KOLACKY DAYS RAFFLE

4:00 p.m. | Memorial Park Stage

SOME EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. SOME REGISTRATION DEADLINES APPLY. SOME EVENTS MAY REQUIRE REGISTRATION OR ADMISSION FEES.

*EVENT MANAGED BY ORGANIZATION OTHER THAN THE MONTGOMERY AREA COMMUNITY CLUB



SAVE A LIFE, DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE
SOBER RIDES AVAILABLE FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHT

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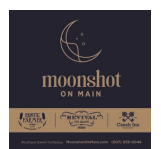
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