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Lower Township Independence Day Festival and Fireworks Rescheduled to Saturday July 5

Lower Township officials have made the decision to reschedule the township's annual Independence Day Festival and Fireworks until Saturday July 5 due to the forecast of inclement weather.

"We want to give people the best experience possible at our Independence Day Festival and Fireworks," said township manager Mike Voll. "Faced with numerous reports of inclement weather, we opted to change the date until Saturday July 5 in order to give the public a fun and safe environment to enjoy themselves."

The move to Saturday won't change other aspects of the event. Times, locations, entertainment and road closures will remain the same.

On Saturday July 5, the festival will begin at 5 p.m. along the bay front on Beach/ Shore Drive in North Cape May between Lincoln Boulevard and Emerson Avenue.

Amusement rides such as the Americana Chair Swing, the three-lane Fun Slide, the Kidstown Firehouse ride, the Road Rally Chariot ride, the Mickey Mouse Club obstacle course and the fire engine bounce house will be on Rosehill Parkway. The event will also feature live music, food vendors, games and fun for the entire family.

As the festival winds down around 8:45 p.m., grab your beach blankets and chairs and head down to the bay to watch the fireworks illuminate the Delaware Bay. The fireworks will start after 9 p.m. and are one of the largest pyrotechnic shows in the region.

If You Go: Lower Township Independence Day Festival is held on Saturday July 5 along Beach/ Shore Drive in North Cape May between Lincoln Boulevard and Emerson Avenue beginning at 5 p.m. The fireworks start after 9 p.m.

Traffic Patterns Change: Due to the amount of foot traffic that will be along Beach/Shore Drive for the Fireworks Festival, the Lower Township Police Department will close Beach Drive from Lincoln Boulevard to Pinewood Avenue in North Cape May on July 5, from 2 p.m. until the conclusion of the event, approximately 11 p.m. Douglass Park will also be closed the entire day of July 5 and will re-open on July 6.

Vendors and amusement rides will stay open until approximately 10 p.m. on July 5 to allow traffic to

filter out of the area. Shore Drive and Beach Drive will be closed to all vehicular and bicycle traffic during this time.

There will be no parking along Beach Drive from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. on July 5 to allow for the set up and take down of vendors along Beach Drive.

Motorists are warned not to block driveways, fire hydrants or intersections. Handicapped parking will be available on Holmes Avenue and Townbank roads between Beach Drive and Atlantic Avenue.

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