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# Town gears up for Timber City Days

By KELLY GERLACH

Events are continually being added but the purpose remains the same – affordable family fun in the Timber City.

The second annual Timber City Days, a two-day celebration of Maquoketa and its residents, will be held June 26-27. Family fun and entertainment will offered both days, including games, live music, food, garden tractor pulls, classic cars cruises and other new activities to promote the community.

For years area residents voiced their belief that the city needed to host some type of summer festival to entertain locals and draw in tourists from the surrounding areas. That's just what the Maquoketa Area Chamber of Commerce did last year with its inaugural Timber City Days.

"We went into this last year with the notion that we'd have to give it at least five years of hard work and growth to give it a viable chance," said Stacy Driscoll, chamber executive director.

"I think last year was a success. We were hampered a bit by the weather, but the crowd size is about what we thought we could handle. I think it was well received. We heard good comments from the public."

2008's event was only the beginning. Organizers selected the final weekend in June to incorporate the Jackson County Relay for Life and Timber City Adventure Race into a grander celebration, bringing in more people from surrounding areas and promoting the county as well as Maquoketa.

The Timber City Days Planning Committee expanded the 2009 event to include activities to suit every age and interest and at a cost most everyone can afford. Admission is free to all events prior to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 27.

The Jackson County Relay for Life starts weekend events at 6

p.m. Friday, June 26, at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. The county event celebrates the lives of those who are or who have been fighting cancer and raises money for cancer research through the American Cancer Society. The event includes opening ceremonies, auctions and luminaria-lighting.

The 61 Drive-In Theater opens at 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 27 dawns bright and early with canoers, bikers and runners competing in the Timber City Adventure Race beginning at 7:30 a.m. The race begins with canoes at Canton and concludes with runners on North Main Street in front of the Decker Hotel & Restaurant.

Canoes cover an eight-mile course on the Maquoketa River. Bicycles traverse a 14-mile course past scenic vistas in Jackson County. Runners hit the pavement for a 5K-course beginning at Hurstville.

Driscoll said more than 100 people have already registered for this, the 10th anniversary of the race.

People interested in competing may log on to the chamber's Web site at www.maquoketaia.com, click on the Timber City Days logo and download registration material, or simply call the chamber office at (563) 652-4602.

The last of the racers should complete the course around 11:30 a.m., just as other events are ramp-

The Farmer's Market runs from 7 a.m. to noon. Local growers will be selling their seasonal produce and other items in the municipal parking lot at Second Street.

Numerous events start 10 a.m. People can take advantage of a free Antique Tractor Historic Tour of Maquoketa. Organizers are mapping out the tour route. Roger Peet

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Fun for kids, there will be plenty of free and minimal-fee activities for children in the municipal parking lot behind US Bank.



Tye (left) and Isabelle Hardin test the seat of one of the fire trucks during the Maquoketa Firemen's Breakfast held Sunday morning, June 7. Their parents are Roger and Devin Hardin of Maquoketa. At last report Tye and Isabelle weren't licensed drivers.

## Hungry crowd drawn to event at local fire station



Ellie Hintgen (left) and Joy Sills stand on top of one of the trucks on display at the annual Maquoketa Firemen's Breakfast. The trucks and equipment drew the interest of many children during the annual event.



Shelley Muhlhausen serves a good helping of pancakes to Mary Walters at the Maquoketa Firemen's Breakfast at the new fire station on Sunday, June 7. Her husband, Rodney was next in line. They are from Monmouth. The station area provided ample seating of an estimated 875 patrons at the annual fundraiser for the department. The servers and hosts were department members and their families. There was very little delay in the lines. No customer went away hungry with the menu consisting of pancakes, sausage, eggs, apple sauce and a drink.