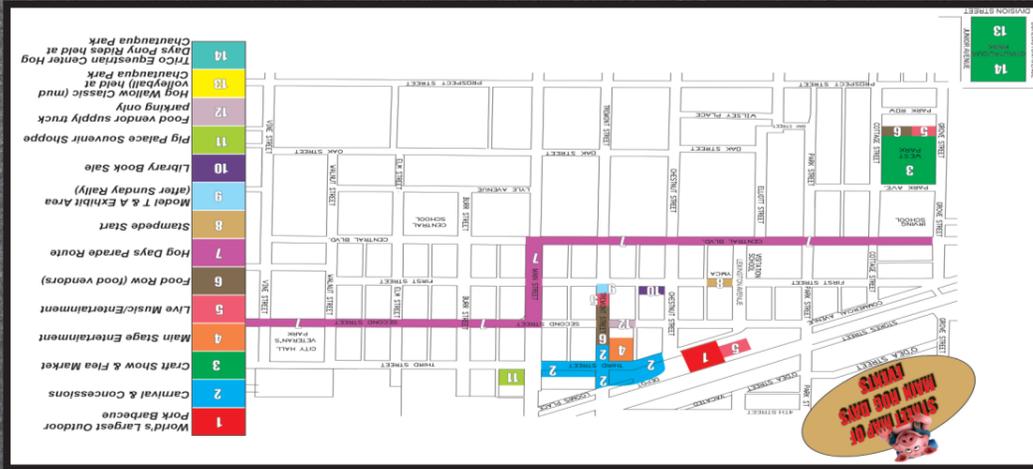


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Kewanee Hog Days had its start in 1947 and was established as an annual festival in 1954 to honor and celebrate our agricultural heritage. This year is the 72nd hog days. The event is held every Labor Day weekend.



The festival centerpiece is "the world's largest outdoor pork barbecue" where 25 THOUSAND pork chops and pork patty sandwiches are grilled and served in less than 3 days by a virtual army of volunteers.



There is NO festival admission or parking fees. Some events DO charge a fee to enter where prizes are awarded (and maybe a change of clothes!)

The Hog Days Stampede features hundreds of runners and walkers. The "Pig Parade" in recent years has featured the Budweiser Clydesdales and the United States Marine Corp Band!



If you're looking for a family-friendly weekend of food, festival and fun, we invite you to come to the "Hog Capital Of the World!" Kewanee, IL Labor Day weekend. It's Hog Days... because pigs just wanna have fun!

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August 29 - September 1, 2025

2025 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS!

LEADING UP TO HOG DAYS!

Miss World Festival Royalty Pageants! Saturday, August 2, 2025. Illinois National Guard Armory 1st and East Sts. Mini & Little Miss @ 2 pm. Jr. & World Miss @ 6 pm. More info at 309 540 8588 or 309 883 9031.

Kewanee Historical Society And B & B Printing Hog Days Banners! Available August 1st until sold out. All weather vinyl fabric. Available in 5 different bright colors. More info at 309 854 1452.

Hog Capital Barrow Show! Wednesday, August 27th, 6:30 pm @ the Black Hawk East College Agriculture Arena. Weigh-ins begin @ 3 pm. More info at 309 854 1700. This is the oldest event of Hog Days!

Baker Park Labor Day Week Golf Tournament! August 25 thru September 1, 2025. Baker Park golf course. Mens & ladies tournaments all week long. More info at 309 852 2872. Over 6 thousand dollars in prizes!

C.D.A.C. Carnival Advanced Sale tickets! Available until sold out! (usually within a few weeks). Each sheet of 12 tickets sells for \$10. Once hog days begins, a sheet of 20 tickets sells for \$20. More info at 309 852 2175.

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Friends of Kewanee Library Book Sale! 7 am to 11 am (or so) @ Chestnut & 1st Streets. More info at 309 852-4505.

Senior Citizen's Breakfast! 7 am to 10 am @ the Senior Center across from Wal Mart. A great meal for \$10. More info at 309 853 8831.

Hog Days Farmer's Market! 7 am to 11 am at the craft show/flea market in West Park between Cottage & Grove Sts.

Hog Days Stampede Fitness Run/Walk! 8 am at the YMCA Chestnut & 1st Sts. 3 events - 4 mile run/walk @ 8 am, kids run/walk @ 9:30 am, 1 mile run/walk @ 9:45 am. More info at 309 852 2175.

Daughters of the American Revolution Open House! 9 am til noon @ 610 Park Avenue, Kewanee, IL (across the street from Liberty/West Park). Bake sale too! Tour the oldest home in Kewanee, built in 1849!

Live at West Park - Jason Hamilton the Magic Man! 11 am to 2 pm. Watch Jason create incredible balloon art for the kids. No cost. Free will donations accepted.

Ryan's Round Barn Tours! 12 noon to 4 pm @ Johnson State Park five miles north of Kewanee on Route 78. More info at 309 507 2669.

Hog Days At Hill All Family Carnival! 12 noon to 2 pm @ 107 N. Main St. Kids games, crafts & a bouncy house all inside.

The Hog Days Parade! 2 pm start time. Bring your lawn chairs for seating along the route: 2nd & East (parade begins), west on 2nd to Main, south on Main to Central, west on Central to Grove St (parade ends). More info at 309 852 2175.

After Parade concert - The 2024-25 State Champion KHS Band! (Back to back State Championships we might add!) 4:15 pm (time approximate) on the Ed Morse Stage!

Live Music at West Park! 4 pm to 6 pm. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Live Music at the BBQ - Chris Stevens! 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

The Great Shadden! 6 pm to 7 pm near the Ed Morse Stage! Card tricks and slight of hand. Fun to watch before the live concert begins!

Live Concert - Decade of Decadence! 7 pm on the Ed Morse Stage! The ULTIMATE 80s Party Band. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Hog Days Late Night Live! 10 pm til midnight. Check your favorite Bar/Club/Lounge for what's HOT at their spot!

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 1

Fly-in/Drive-in Pancake Breakfast! At the Kewanee Municipal Airport. 7 am to 11 am. Hosted by the Kewanee Community Volunteer Fire Dept.

Hog Days Pony Rides! 10 am til 1 pm @ Chautauqua Park. Sponsored by Trico Equestrian Center of Kewanee.

Live Music at the BBQ - The Incredible 45s! 12 noon to 2 pm. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Hog Days Fire Sale! Special tickets sold beginning at 3 pm @ the bbq pits. Any left over uncooked chops & patties that didn't make it to the fire, sold by the case at cost. More info at 309 852 4644.

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Welcome to Kids Day - It's 312 Magic featuring Aaron Fasel! 2 shows at 12 noon and 2:30 pm. Peoples Bank lot. Bring your lawn chairs for seating. Designed for children 10 and under.

Welcome to Kids Day - Climb the GINORMOUS Rock Wall! 11 am to 3 pm in the Peoples Bank lot.

Welcome to Kids Day - Miller's Petting Zoo! 11 am to 3 pm @ 2nd & Tremont Streets. Over 30 animals to cuddle with!

Welcome to Kids Day - Ms. Fancy Paints & the Color Crew! 11 am to 3 pm in the Peoples Bank lot.

Welcome to Kids Day - Kewanee Fire Dept Meet n Greet! 11 am to 3 pm in the Peoples Bank lot.

Welcome to Kids Day - Kewanee Police Dept Meet n Greet! 11 am to 3 pm in the Peoples Bank lot.

Welcome to Kids Day - Kiddie Tractor Pull. 11 am to 3 pm @ 2nd & Tremont Streets.

Welcome to Kids Day - Adam Belmares Caricatures! 11 am to 3 pm in the Peoples Bank lot.

ALL WEEKEND LONG!

C.D.A.C. Carnival & Concessions! Over two dozen rides set up downtown along with games and food vendors. A special kiddie land area too. Rides in operation Friday 4 to 11 pm, Sat-Sun 11 am to 11 pm, Monday 11 am to 5 pm.

The World's Largest Outdoor Pork Barbecue! Downtown Kewanee @ the Green Space, 3rd & Chestnut Streets. Sat-Sun 11 am - 8 pm. Mon 11 am - 5 pm (or earlier if we run out of product to cook). Drive thru service Sat-Sun 11 am - 7 pm. Mon 11 am - 3 pm.

The Hog Days Craft Show & Flea Market! Liberty Park in Kewanee. Food vendors & live entertainment as well. Saturday and Sunday open 9 am until dusk. Many vendors will be open by mid-day Friday until dusk. Some vendors will also be doing business Monday til 1 pm. More info at 309 883 1743.

Kewanee Historical Society Museum! 125 North Tremont Street (across from Breedlove's Sporting Goods). Sat-Sun-Mon 10 am - 4 pm each day. More info at 309 853 7434.

The Pig Palace Souvenir Shoppe! 306 North Main St. (the Hog Festival building next to Community State Bank). Saturday & Sunday open 12 noon til 8 pm. More info at 309 883 4183.

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THURSDAY AUGUST 28

Kewanee Ministerial Association Luncheon! 12 noon under the big tent at the bbq pits.

FRIDAY AUGUST 29

Opening Day! Many events (carnival, flea market/craft show, entertainment) begin operation today.

The Great Shadden! 6 pm to 7 pm near the Ed Morse Stage! Card tricks and slight of hand. Fun to watch before the live concert begins!

Live Concert - Brushville! 7 pm on the Ed Morse Stage! Bring your lawn chairs.

Hog Days Late Night Live! 10 pm til midnight. Check your favorite Bar/Club/Lounge for what's HOT at their spot!

The main entertainment stage at Tremont & 3rd is sponsored by the Ed Morse Automotive Group, your Chevrolet GMC dealer for the greater Kewanee area. We appreciate their generous support and hope you'll be enjoying the acts appearing on the Ed Morse Stage all hog days weekend!

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SUNDAY AUGUST 31

The Hog Wallow Mud Volleyball Classic! 8 am at Chautauqua Park. This is a one day event. More at 309 567-4110.

Hog Days Pony Rides! 11 am til 2 pm @ Chautauqua Park. Sponsored by Trico Equestrian Center of Kewanee.

Live Music at West Park - James Herl! 11 am to 2 pm. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Ryan's Round Barn Tours! 12 noon to 4 pm @ Johnson State Park five miles north of Kewanee on Route 78. More info at 309 507 2669.

55th Ray Behnke Model T/A Road Rally! 11:30 am across from Menards in Kewanee. More at 815 263 0095. An exhibit of all cars will be held near the Elks Club in the 100 block of North Tremont St immediately following the rally (approximately 3 pm).

Live Music at the BBQ - Ryan Smith! 11 am to 2 pm. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Live at West Park - Jason Hamilton the Magic Man! 1 pm to 4 pm. Watch Jason create incredible balloon art for the kids. No cost. Free will donations accepted.

Community-wide Non-denominational Church Service! 2 pm on the Ed Morse Stage! Bring your lawn chairs for seating. A Kewanee Ministerial Association event.

Live Music Downtown - Jazz On the Sidel! 2 pm to 4 pm. Near Union Federal on Tremont St. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Live Music at West Park! 3 pm to 6 pm. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Live Music at the BBQ - The Tucked In T's! 3 pm to 6 pm. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

Live Music Downtown - Five Bridges Jazz Band! 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Near Union Federal on Tremont St. Bring your lawn chairs for seating.

The Great Shadden! 6 pm to 7 pm near the Ed Morse Stage! Card tricks and slight of hand. Fun to watch before the live concert begins!

Live Concert - Revel In Red! 7 pm on the Ed Morse Stage! Bring your lawn chairs for seating. From Central Illinois, incredible harmonies and lots of audience interaction!

Hog Days Late Night Live! 10 pm til midnight. Check your favorite Bar/Club/Lounge for what's HOT at their spot!

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