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## **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest to feature authentic German music, food, fireworks and wiener dog races**

PADDOCK LAKE – The 7th Annual Old Settlers Oktoberfest at Old Settlers Park, 24100 75th St., will be held noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9.

This year's Oktoberfest will feature a fun run, authentic German food and beverages, dancing, a classic car show, kids' games, the Dachshund Dash, raffle prizes and a fireworks finale. Event admission is free.

“This is a wonderful event for all of Kenosha County,” County Executive Jim Kreuser said. “It’s an opportunity to celebrate fall in the beautiful setting of Old Settlers Park.”

“We truly appreciate the support of the local businesses and our volunteers; they are what make our event possible,” said event organizer Rebecca Lancour. “Every dollar that we raise is going directly toward the construction of a permanent band shelter in Old Settlers Park for all to enjoy. Anything that brings people together is a benefit, and when you know your neighbor, it makes the whole community a safer place.”

The Oktoberfest 5k+ is taking place the morning of Sept. 9, starting and ending at Old Settlers Park. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the race will start at 10 a.m. The morning run/walk will be family friendly, and participants are encouraged to dress in Oktoberfest theme. Visit [www.XCThrillology.com](http://www.XCThrillology.com) to register and review the entry fees.

The Dachshund Dash is for dachshunds and dachshund mixes trying to be the fastest Top Dog or a Hot Dog. Free registration for the races begins at noon, with the races will commencing at 1 p.m. Immediately following the Dachshund Dash, there will be an Open Class/All Breed Dog Dash. All dogs are welcome to participate in the open-class event.

Event Schedule:

- 10 a.m. – Oktoberfest 5k+ fun run
- Noon-8 p.m. – German food and beer for purchase
- Noon-7 p.m. – Brew Haus Polka Kings
- Noon-4 p.m. – Classic car show
- Noon-6 p.m. – Free children’s games and hair braiding
- 1 p.m. – Dachshund Dash & All Breed Dog Dash
- 2, 3, 5 and 6 p.m. – German dancers, the D’Oberlanders Dance Crew
- 7 p.m. – Raffle Drawing
- 8 p.m. - Fireworks over Paddock Lake

Old Settlers Oktoberfest is sponsored by Old Settlers Oktoberfest Inc., County Executive Jim Kreuser and the Kenosha County Division of Parks. Proceeds from this event support the construction of a band shelter within Old Settlers Park.

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