



Hartford Lions Club

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In the four years that the Hartford Lions Club has operated Concerts in the Park, average attendance has increased from about 30 to around 200. We could easily accommodate 500 a week. We have added free popcorn and done extensive promotion of the events. We have made a strong effort to book a wide variety of entertainment groups and the 2021 season will be no different. We have booked some top entertainment which will help to enrich the lives of Hartford citizens.

Concerts in the Park is one of four major projects of the Hartford Lions Club. The others are the Community Honors program, Christmas in Hartford and Project HELP which provides food baskets for the needy at Christmas and has been a major project since 1946.

Bringing top entertainment to the summer concert series costs money. Our budget for the 2021 season of 13 concerts is \$6,000. We have applied for a grant from The Pokagon Fund for half of that cost. In the past, the City has provided \$1,000 towards the concert program and we are requesting the same amount this year.

A schedule for the 2021 season is attached.

Sincerely,

PETE SINCLAIR
Concert Manager
Hartford Lions Club

**HARTFORD LIONS CLUB
CONCERTS IN THE PARK
2021**

All concerts start at 7 p.m. in Ely Park – Enjoy free popcorn

June 3 – Southwestern Michigan College Brass Band
(traditional English style band)

June 10 – Blue Water Rockers
(50s and 60s music)

June 17 – High Life Band
(classic country and rock)

June 24 – Park Avenue Band
(traditional favorites)

July 1 – Jimmy & the Mortals
(classic rock)

July 8 – Jared Knox
(country)

July 15 – Past Time
(your favorite 50s and 60s)

July 22 – VanDyke Revue
(4-piece variety band)

July 29 – Elvis Tribute – Tim Dudley

Aug. 5 – Lake Effect Jazz Big Band
(a mix of traditional & modern jazz)

Aug. 12 – Diane and Lisa
(blend of jazz, blues & boogie-woogie)

Aug. 19 – Mike Cortson
(old blue eyes Frank Sinatra)

Aug. 26 – Blue Shoes Jazz
(not your typical jazz band)