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**Main Street Wadsworth Announces “July First Friday: Fireworks & Food Trucks”
Friday, July 1, 2022 at 6:00-10:30 p.m.**

(Wadsworth, Ohio—June 23, 2022) – The City of Wadsworth and Main Street Wadsworth invite visitors to head to downtown Wadsworth to celebrate our nation's independence by enjoying July First Friday: Fireworks & Food Trucks on Friday, July 1, 6:00-10:30 p.m. The free event is sponsored by the City of Wadsworth Electric and Communications Department.

Downtown streets will be closed to traffic starting at 3:30 p.m. and re-opening at 11:30 p.m. Fireworks will go off at dusk around 10:00 p.m. The rain date for the event is Saturday, July 2. Wheelchair accessibility drop-off/pick-up and accessible parking during the event will be at the Maple Street parking lot near City Hall (enter from North Lyman St.), which will provide a short traveling distance to the downtown square. Indoor restrooms will be available at City Hall, with ADA porta-johns also located on College Street in the alleys near Sub Station and NEO Dance, on Main Street in the alley near Domino's Pizza, on Broad Street in the alley near The Strand, and in the Wadsworth Public Library parking lot.

The Wadsworth Community Band will perform a free Independence Day Celebration concert at 7:00 p.m. on the lawn of Central Intermediate School (151 Main St.). Please bring lawn chairs.

Over 30 downtown restaurants and merchants will be open, offering delicious food and unique shopping. Over 20 food trucks will offer a variety of options, including tacos, Italian sausage, barbecue pork, gyros, cheesesteaks, comfort food, pretzels, and more.

Mosaic (118 High Street) will provide a fun kid zone in front of their building. Stop by for fun and free activities for families, including inflatables inside and outside! Radiant Life Church will also have a kid zone with games and activities set up on Main Street near Alexandris.

Visitors are invited to help paint an interactive “Be the ‘I’ in Kind!” community mural at the Garage Ministry, 126 North Pardee Street. Visitors can stand in front of the “I” for photos. The Garage will be offering cotton candy and an open house and activities for teens.

Follow www.facebook.com/mainstreetwadsworth for updates. Interested in volunteering for downtown events? E-mail teri@mainstreetwadsworth.org. Main Street Wadsworth events are made possible by the generous support of Main Street Wadsworth's Premier Sponsor, Clampco Products, Inc., Friends of MSW, MSW Sponsors, and with support from The City of Wadsworth.

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