



BEAR EVENT: RED, WHITE AND BLUE, BEARS AND GOLDBLOCKS, TOO!

On Saturday, July 5th, the Midwest BearPack will be hosting "Red, White and Blue, Bears and Goldilocks, Too!" at DJ's Saloon in Downtown Dayton Ohio.

The night will raise funds to help BearPack member Kendra McClain attend IMsL (International Ms Leather) in San Diego, California on July 19th.

During the evening there will be an auction and an activity called "Bear D Bear." In this activity, we will be taking bids from the crowd to entice preselected Midwest BearPack Bears to remove articles of clothing. Woof! Woof!

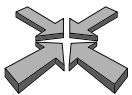
If you need accommodations, we have made arrangements with Best Western Dayton North at 3636 N Dixie Drive in Downtown Dayton. The confirmation number is 03663 and is under the name Kevin Barlow. Call the hotel direct at 937-276-6151.



Kendra McClain and Mike Davis at the back patio at Our Place.

This will be the third event in the past year the BearPack has been at DJ's Saloon. The BearPack will return to DJ's in August for Fur Blast II.

Help the BearPack show Kendra off to San Diego with our usual bear-style!



Upcoming Activities

Saturday, July 5 - Midwest BearPack presents "Red, White, and Blue, Bears and Goldilocks too!" at DJ's Saloon (237 N Main) in Dayton Ohio. Hotel information in above article.

Saturday, July 19 - Hurricane Party at Spurs in Cincinnati Ohio.

Monday, July 21 - Midwest BearPack's monthly meeting at the Diversity Center in Indianapolis, 8:00pm.

Friday - Sunday, July 25-27 - Black Swamp Bears and Mid-Michigan Bears' Bear Invasion '97 in Toledo Ohio.

Saturday, August 2 - Bluegrass Bears Bar Night at Tryangles in Louisville, Kentucky. Earlier in the day the Bears will be doing **Kentucky Kingdom**.

Monday, August 18 - Midwest BearPack's monthly meeting at the Diversity Center in Indianapolis.

Saturday, August 23 - Darke County Fair Trip in Ohio (second largest county fair in the nation.) That night, Midwest BearPack's **Fur Blast II** at DJ's Saloon in Dayton, Ohio.

Saturday, September 20 - Midwest BearPack and the Bluegrass Bears will be making a combined trip to Wigwam Village in Kentucky for **Clan of the Cave Bears**. Get your name in now!

Saturday, September 20 - Official Red Day at Kings Island in Cincinnati.



Cards, Name Tags and Shirts Available

We have provided membership cards to our members with this newsletter. Please note the renewal date on the card. This is the date your membership with the Midwest BearPack will expire. We hope you are taking advantage of your membership and are enjoying all the activities the BearPack attends. If you are a member of the BearPack and did not receive a membership card, please contact us quickly.

We had a good number of bears ask for name tags in the last few weeks. In fact, because of the quantity of requests, we got a great deal on the cost of the name tags. We passed those savings onto our members and sold the name tags away for \$7.00 (not \$12.00 we reported in last month's newsletter). Hopefully, if we get the same deal, we can give the same break next time.

Again, we also have Midwest BearPack business cards available with your own name printed on it. These are available for \$1.00 for a sheet of 10. A fresh order of our t-shirts and tank tops are also in and are \$12.00 each to members.

Indianapolis Gay Pride



The Midwest BearPack hosted a pre-Gay Pride Weekend Cookout at Our Place on June 13th. We had a great showing of hungry characters there for hot dogs, fish, and hamburgers (see picture above). A big thank you goes to Joseph for being our coordinator-at-large for the cookout in general. And a big bear-hug goes to Our Place for hosting the cookout for us!

WIGWAMS, CAVES, AND GUNTOWN MOUNTAIN

We have put together a co-event with the Bluegrass Bears on September 20th. We will be joining with the bears in Kentucky in **Clan of the Cave Bears**.

We will be staying at Wigwam Village. At this location, the rooms are Indian teepees. Some teepees will have one double bed, a few will have



two double beds. We have bought out the entire hotel as the hotel has required we pay for the rooms in advance, in full. We will certainly be making a list of interested BearPack members going to this run. You **MUST** make plans now to attend.

Other activities during the weekend will be a tour of Mammoth Cave and a trip to Guntown Mountain. (Guntown Mountain appears to be Mike's favorite.) Tickets to the Cave Tour will be the responsibility of the individual and it is strongly suggested to get your tickets reserved by phone at least two weeks in advance.



The Bluegrass Bears will be providing grills and paper plates, etc for our use this year. Midwest BearPack will provide some of the food for it's members. Note: This is a DRY county (BYOB.)

We are really looking forward to this event. We would like to encourage all our members to take advantage of this opportunity to visit the Bluegrass State and it's BEARS!