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ENTERTAINMENT LINE-UP ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2013  
CENTRAL WASHINGTON STATE FAIR

Classic rock, country, Western, pop, Christian rock and some comedy will be part of the entertainment line-up at this year's Central Washington State Fair. A diverse group of well known entertainers will be performing as part of the U.S. Cellular® Concert Series during the ten-day Fair including: the classic rock band *Styx*; country performers *Lonestar* and *Sawyer Brown*; pop group *Plain White T's*; Christian rock group *Kutless*, Western group *Riders in the Sky*, and comedy duo *Williams and Ree*.

Fair officials have worked hard at creating a line-up of entertainers that appeal to a variety of different audiences while providing entertainment during the week days as well as on the weekends.

"We are very happy with this year's line-up of entertainers," said Fair president and general manager Greg Stewart. "We have worked hard at getting a variety of different kinds of groups to appeal to many different tastes."

Classic rock band *Styx* will appear on Saturday, September 21 at 7:30 p.m., the opening weekend of the Fair. The hugely popular 1970's & 80's band has had many hit singles including "Lady", "Come Sail Away" and "Renegade" and many others.

On the opening Sunday of the Fair, the Western band **Riders in the Sky** will perform at 6 p.m. on the Budweiser Stage. For more than 30 years the band has been keepers of the flame passed on by the Sons of the Pioneers, Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. Members of the Grand Ol' Opry and the Western Music Association Hall of Fame, Riders in the Sky has played thousands of concerts around the country over the years.

Pop group **Plain White T's** are set to perform at the Fair on Monday, September 23 at 5 p.m. Known for their smash hit "*Hey There Delilah*", the group has a new album out that continues to climb the charts.

On Wednesday, September 25 the Fair presents the Christian band **Kutless**. With nearly a million and a half albums sold over the past several years, Kutless has developed a strong following, playing to millions of people worldwide since 2002. Kutless plays at the Budweiser Stage at 7 p.m.

**Lonestar** plays the Fair on Thursday, September 26 at 7 p.m. The longtime country group has had dozens of hits over the past two decades including: "*Amazed*," "*No News*" and "*My Front Porch Looking In*" among many others.

Then, on Friday, September 27 the musical comedy duo **Williams & Ree** return to perform at the Fair. The popular duo known as the "Indian and With Guy" has performed at the Fair several times over the years and is always a big hit with their unique style of music and humor.

Country band, **Sawyer Brown**, will play the Fair on Saturday, September 28 at 7:30. One of the most popular country groups of all time, Sawyer Brown has had dozens of hits including "*Some Girls Do*," "*The Walk*," "*The Dirt Road*," and "*Drive Me Wild*" among others.

Stewart said the Fair is looking at adding an act on Tuesday of the Fair that appeals to a younger audience and they will be presenting a big name Latino act or acts on the final Sunday of the Fair.

At the Coca-Cola Grandstand, motor sports, a new rodeo event and a demolition derby will be back and entertaining fairgoers throughout the Fair. On the opening Friday and Saturday, September 20 and 21, the **American Sprint Car Series Northwest Region** races will hit the dirt for some wild racing action on the clay racing oval at the grandstand. Racing action will begin at 6:00 each evening.

On the final Saturday of the Fair, September 28, the Coca-Cola Grandstand will be the venue for the always-popular **Demolition Derby**, with all the car-crashing action starting at 2 p.m.

This year the Fair will feature some other free entertainment and attractions including the return of **Walk on the Wild Side**, an exhibit which features a number of exotic animals and reptiles. Also returning this year to Oak Park is the popular interactive display called **Barnville**, where children can milk a cow, see chicks hatching and experience other barnyard animals. These will be part of the Fair for the entire 10-day run

A new attraction set for this year's Fair is **Hall of Heroes**. This huge exhibit put visitors in the shoes of many of the favorite super heroes from comic books, movies and television. There will be a number of interactive displays and a chance to experience the Batcave and Batmobile among other famous props and replicas.

Of course all the great fair foods will again be awaiting fairgoers this year as will rides, exhibits, displays, animals and other attractions that make the Central Washington State Fair the single largest entertainment event in Eastern Washington.

The Fair is selling reserved seating for all entertainment at the Budweiser Stage and Coca-Cola Grandstand and those **tickets will go on sale on Friday, May 31 at 10 a.m.** Once again this year there will be some no charge seats for each performance, but those seats are limited. The prices for the reserved seats run from \$12 to \$30. Fair admission will be sold separately from any reserved seating for the shows. To purchase any **reserve seats call 1-800-325-SEAT.**

For more information on this year's Central Washington State Fair and the 2013 entertainment line-up, go to the Fair's website at [www.fairfun.com](http://www.fairfun.com). This year's Fair runs from September 20 through September 29 in Yakima.

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