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Kids' Camp Moves to Flat Branch Park *New Location Will Take Advantage of MKT Trail Extension*

Columbia - Today *The District* announced that the Commerce Bank Kids' Camp will be moving to Flat Branch Park for the 2007 Twilight Festivals. A section of Fourth Street will be closed as well. The Kids' Camp had been located in Courthouse Square but moving to the park would consolidate all the children's activities, provide a traffic-free area for children and would take advantage of the newly completed MKT Trail extension.

The undergrounding of the MKT Trail means that families will now be able to safely bike or walk to the Commerce Bank Kids' Camp without having to cross either Providence or Stewart. To encourage more biking and walking, the Pednet Project and Parks and Recreation will provide Valet Bike Parking so families can enjoy the festival, not the traffic. Bikers can leave their bike at Flat Branch Park as they walk throughout *The District*. Those who choose to bike to the festival will receive a free commemorative t-shirt while supplies last.

Flat Branch Park will be "Family Central" throughout the month of June. With bounce-houses, balloon-animals, entertainers and hands-on activities provided by local organizations, the Commerce Bank Kids Camp is the perfect place for families with little ones. And when the kids have had their fun, Flat Branch is just steps away from the rest of the Twilight Festival.

June events at the Commerce Bank Kids' Camp include:

June 7 - Twilight Car Night with The Bubbas

The Kids' Camp will feature the Mid Missouri Corvette Club's new, classic and competitive corvettes on display as well as rock and roll favorites from the Bubbas, everyone's favorite

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family band. Special that night is the Flat Branch Outdoor Cinema featuring American Graffiti (PG) at 8:45 p.m. Bring a blanket or a low lawn chair and enjoy this classic.

June 14 - The Longshot Band

Enjoy some classic rock from another fantastic family band. Plenty of kids' activities as well!

June 21 - Together with Drumming

Sally Burnley, is an energetic, family friendly Drum Circle Facilitator. She gives everyone the fun, community experience of creating music together. Sally provides the mixture of African and Asian hand drums and World percussion woods, shakers and bells.

June 28 - Poetry in Motion- Breakdance/Vanguard Drum and Bugle Corps

Breakdance is a street dance style that evolved as part of the hip hop movement. It is arguably the best known of all hip hop dance styles. Poetry in Motion will perform from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and again from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. get ready for brass, percussion and precision when the 100-member Drum and Bugle Corps from Santa Clara, California will perform. The world-champion corps travels throughout the United States and Canada performing and is stopping here just for Twilight.

Kids' Camp is made possible with help from Commerce Bank, Columbia Parks and Recreation and the City of Columbia Convention and Visitors Bureau. Commerce Bank

recently opened a new location their historic 1921 building at Ninth and Broadway.

The Twilight Festival is organized by the Central Columbia Association, a voluntary merchants' association dedicated to promoting shopping, dining and entertainment in *The District*. The Columbia Special Business District, its sister organization, is dedicated to beautification, business recruitment, economic development, historic preservation and other issues.

For more information:

- www.twilightfestival.com - New Website!
- www.commercebank.com
- www.gocolumbiamo.com/ParksandRec - For more information about the MKT Trail