



Spring / Summer 2020

FUN 101: 101 Things to See & Do for \$10 & Under (Many are FREE!)

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1. The Kenosha Homecoming Car Show welcomes home AMC, Nash, and other Kenosha-manufactured cars. Events happen July 21-26, with the large car show on July 25. FREE for spectators
2. The 100th Kenosha County Fair happens Aug 19-23. Don't miss this Centennial Celebration! \$10 & under
3. Enjoy the Sculpture Walk, which runs along the harbor and features a dozen works of art. FREE
4. The Anderson Arts Center has re-opened after a \$4.3 million preservation and modernization project. Come see the revamped center and its exhibitions! FREE
5. View our Great Lake from the 1866 Southport Lighthouse. It's 72 steps to the top! \$10 & under
6. Kenosha has five beaches along Lake Michigan! Stroll down the boardwalk on Simmons Island Beach. FREE
7. Bring your pooch to play at one of our many off-leash dog parks. FREE to \$5 depending on park
8. Experience the 1950s with carhop service at Big Star Drive-In and The Spot Drive-In. Prices vary
9. Play at Kenosha's inclusive, 100% accessible playground: The Dream Playground at Petzke Park. FREE
10. Ride an authentic Electric Streetcar to restaurants, shops, museums, historic districts, lakefront events, and more. \$1 & under
11. This is the 90th year for the Kenosha YMCA. Seniors (ages 60 & over) can enjoy the Y for free on the third Tuesday of every month. FREE
12. Kenosha History Center Cruise-In Nights happen the second Friday of each month, April-September. Bring your classic car and visit the museum after hours. FREE
13. The Wilmot Flea Market takes place on Sundays, April 19-Oct 11 (excluding Aug 16 and 23) at the Kenosha County Fairgrounds. \$2 & under
14. Check out the get BEHIND the aRTS Studio Tour, April 24-26. The self-guided tour features artists' studios in two communities. \$5 donation / kids and students FREE
15. Play disc golf at Fox River Park, Lincoln Park, Silver Lake Park, or UW-Parkside. FREE
16. The Transparent Watercolor Society of America 44th Annual National Juried Exhibition opens May 2 at the Kenosha Public Museum. FREE
17. On select weekends, Kemper Center's Durkee Mansion is open for self-guided tours in the Third Avenue Historic District. FREE
18. Be sure to visit the world-famous Brat Stop – home of great brats, sausages, and much more. Prices vary
19. Enjoy community theatre! The Lakeside Players production of The Jungle Book takes place May 8-10 and May 15-17 at the Rhode Center for the Arts. \$10
20. Kenosha Craft Beer Week takes place at local craft breweries and other businesses May 9-17. Prices vary
21. Experience the outdoor Kenosha HarborMarket on Saturdays, May 16-Oct 10. Enjoy live music as you shop. FREE admission



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22. Get in your 10,000 steps! The newly named Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park (formerly referred to as KD Park) features 5 miles of hiking trails. FREE
23. The Library Park Historic District Walking Tour is offered the second Saturday of each month, May-October. One of the stops is the birthplace of Orson Welles. \$10
24. Visit Bristol 45 Diner for its cruise-in nights, May-September (first, third, fifth Monday of the month). FREE
25. The Washington Park Velodrome is the oldest operating track of its kind in the country. Enjoy bicycle races on Mondays and Tuesdays. FREE
26. Enjoy family-friendly, choreographed Aquanut Water Ski Shows on Lake Mary, most Wednesdays and Saturdays, May 23-Sept 5. FREE
27. When at a Wisconsin supper club, such as HobNob, one must enjoy a Brandy Old Fashioned! Prices vary
28. Root for the home team! The Kenosha Kingfish play baseball in the collegiate Northwoods League at the 100-year-old Simmons Field. \$8+
29. Learn about Lake Michigan shipwrecks and more local maritime history at the seasonal Southport Light Station Museum. FREE
30. Petrifying Springs Biergarten offers many activities, including Movie Night in the Park on Fridays and a Summer Concert Series on Saturdays and Sundays. FREE
31. Shop for bargains – especially during the sidewalk sales – at Pleasant Prairie Premium Outlets. Prices vary
32. See the 360-degree movie “Seeing the Elephant” at the Civil War Museum. \$9 & under
33. There are more than 130 miles of bike trails in Kenosha County, including the Kenosha County Bike Trail, the Pike Bike Trail, and mountain bike trails at Silver Lake Park. FREE
34. Looking for outdoor dining? You have many choices – including the Garden of Eatin’ at The Coffee Pot. Prices vary
35. A fun confectionery journey awaits you at Jelly Belly Visitor Center – with interactive exhibits and games, an indoor train tour, and candy samples. FREE
36. Go fly a kite! The Outta Sight Kite Flight in Kennedy Park is June 6-7. FREE
37. Watch for PUBLIC Craft Brewing Co. to move to its new, expanded location at 628 58th Street this spring! Beverage prices vary
38. Enjoy Mama P’s HoHo Cakes from Lou Perrine’s. The delicious cakes come in a variety of flavors. \$3 per piece or 2 for \$5
39. Go Fish! Fish anywhere in Wisconsin without a license or trout stamp on Free Fishing Weekend, June 6-7. FREE
40. Brighton Dale Links and Petrifying Springs Golf Course offer the \$10 Super Twilight rate when walking 9 holes after 5:30pm weekdays and 4pm weekends & holidays.
41. Enjoy free cheese samples and one-of-a-kind photo spots at Mars Cheese Castle. FREE
42. The Family Nature Faire happens at Richard Bong State Recreation Area on June 6. FREE park entrance; nominal fees for some of the activities



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43. Enjoy live music at Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary and Arboretum's outdoor amphitheater. June 12, July 10, and Aug 21 are the dates of the Pike River Benefit Concert Series. \$10
44. Events at Jerry Smith Produce & Pumpkin Farm include Babies on the Farm, June 13-14, and Sweet Corn Fest, Aug 8-9. Nominal fee
45. Summer is synonymous with outdoor grill season at Tenuta's Deli! Enjoy a mouth-watering homemade Italian sausage and more. Tenuta's is 70 years old! Prices vary
46. Have a handcrafted margarita on the multi-season outdoor dining terrace at Iguana Wana Mexican Grill & Tequila Bar. Prices vary
47. The 98th season of the Kenosha Pops Concert Band takes place at the Sesquicentennial Bandshell on Wednesdays starting in mid-June. FREE
48. What do a Mimosa, Bloody Mary, Cinnamon Roll, and Irish Coffee have in common? Each is delicious and under \$6 at Franks Diner!
49. Enjoy the Summer Concert Series at Bristol Woods Park on Wednesday evenings, June 17-Aug 5. FREE
50. At the Dinosaur Discovery Museum, kids will enjoy the interactive exhibit Little Clint: The Story of a Baby Dinosaur. FREE
51. Tour of America's Dairyland is the largest competitive road cycling series in the U.S. It kicks off June 18 at Food Folks & Spokes, organized by the Kenosha YMCA. FREE admission
52. Live music by many Kenosha area musicians is the focus of Bloomin' Bands, held June 19-20. FREE
53. Bring the family for a fun morning on the farm! The Kenosha County Dairy Breakfast is at Weis-Way Dairy on June 20. Nominal fee
54. Visit Kenosha ArtMarket at Union Park on the third Sunday, June-October. Meet the makers and enjoy live music. FREE admission
55. Make Music Day Kenosha debuts on June 21. Performances will take place outdoors across Kenosha as part of this annual global music celebration. FREE
56. Enjoy a refreshing cocktail and a great view of Downtown Kenosha at The Crow's Nest, a rooftop bar at The Stella Hotel & Ballroom. Prices vary
57. The first Friday of the month is Family Night at Alpaca Art. Parents and kids receive half price studio fees, so it's \$3.50 plus the pottery cost (\$3+).
58. Enjoy Lincoln Park Live concerts on June 24, July 8, July 22, Aug 5, and Aug 26 at the picturesque Lincoln Park. FREE
59. The City of Kenosha holds these patriotic events: the Kenosha Civic Veterans Parade (June 28) and Celebrate America (July 3-4). Fireworks are July 4. FREE
60. At the Kenosha Public Museum, see the excavated-in-Kenosha County mammoths and stop at The Field Station for hands-on activities. FREE
61. Twilight Jazz concerts are held June 30, July 14, July 28, Aug 11, and Aug 25 at Anderson Arts Center/Kemper Center. FREE
62. Walk, bike, or drive through Kenosha's four historic districts. FREE



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63. Libertyfest takes place in Twin Lakes July 3-4 - with fireworks on July 3 and a parade on July 4. FREE
64. At Jack Andrea, enjoy a Chocolate Malt – made the old fashioned way – at the vintage soda fountain counter in the café. \$4.25
65. Enjoy great live entertainment, a full bar, beer garden, and outdoor stage at Fusion, a Downtown performing arts venue. Some events FREE
66. Kids can cool off at the splash pad by the lakefront. It's located at HarborPark. FREE
67. Tuesdays At The Shell concerts happen at the Sesquicentennial Bandshell each Tuesday, July 7-Aug 25. FREE
68. Park once and enjoy the sights aboard the seasonal Lakefront Trolley, which travels along the scenic Lake Michigan shore. \$1 & under
69. Fly down the 200-foot-long water slides at Washington Park Pool and Anderson Park Pool. \$5 & under
70. Scoops Ice Cream offers Doggy Frozen Yogurt. \$2
71. The Peanut Butter & Jam Concert Series serves up two concerts each Thursday, July 9-Aug 27. FREE
72. On the second Saturday of every month, enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour of historic Simmons Library, which opened in 1900. FREE
73. Enjoy family fun at Bristol Progress Days, July 10-12. FREE admission
74. Watch the boats from the patio at Ashling on the Lough. Hoppy Hour is 3-6pm daily with \$4 Taps and \$4 Apps.
75. Be inspired during Kenosha's Secret Garden Walk on July 11. \$8-10; accompanied children under 12 FREE
76. Taste of Wisconsin™ takes place July 24-26 on the Lake Michigan shore. FREE
77. Add to your fun at Bristol Woods Park: rent a GPS unit to locate geocaches or a family-friendly Explorer Backpack at the on-site Pringle Nature Center. \$5
78. Visit Lemon Street Gallery and ArtWorks / Pencillarium in the Union Park Arts District. FREE to browse
79. The Charles and Kathryn Heide Schoolyard Observatory at Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary and Arboretum hosts open house events on select dates. FREE
80. Silver Lake is known for its excellent swimming beach! Memorial Day through Labor Day daily fee: \$5-10 per vehicle
81. From fine to functional art, view the work of local artists at Pollard Gallery. FREE
82. Have a kayak, canoe, or stand up paddle board? Experience the Lake Michigan Water Trail or Fox River Water Trail! FREE access
83. Sit back and enjoy the scenery as you take the Metra train from Chicago to Kenosha. \$10 Weekend Pass (unlimited rides on Saturday and Sunday)
84. Take a pic of one of Kenosha's most recognized landmarks: the North Pier Lighthouse, home to the Kenosha Lighthouse Studio. FREE



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85. Enjoy a smoothie and a great view of the harbor from the patio at Harborside Common Grounds. Prices vary
86. Treat yourself at Sandy's Popper. Popcorn and ice cream, as well as novelty and nostalgic candy are offered. Prices vary
87. String your own jewelry at Peacetree Originals. \$3+
88. The Colonial through Western Fur Trade era (1650s-1850s) is reenacted during Pike River Rendezvous, Aug 1-2. FREE
89. Stop at Elsie Mae's Bakery & Cannery for a delicious mini pie. Popular summer flavors include apple, cherry, and strawberry rhubarb. \$6 each
90. Drive, walk, bike, rollerblade, or sit and relax along the Lake Michigan shore. The sunrises are stunning! FREE
91. While at the I-94 Visitor Information Center for the First Fridays open house featuring local attractions and businesses, take a pic with the Welcome to Wisconsin sign. FREE
92. Enjoy free family activities, live music, fireworks, and more at Picnic in the Park at Petrifying Springs Park on Aug 22. FREE
93. Enjoy Farmer Markets at Pennoyer Park, Columbus Park, Lincoln Park, and Baker Park various days of the week. FREE admission
94. Whether you own classic cars – or just enjoy them – come to Downtown Kenosha for the Kenosha Classic Cruise-In on Sept 5. FREE
95. All things cheese will be celebrated during Cheese-A-Palooza, Sept 5-6. FREE
96. Mix and match a four-pack of your favorite cupcake flavors at Robin's Nest Cakery. \$8
97. A sight to see, the Wisconsin Giant Pumpkin Growers will host a weigh-off contest at the Sept 12 City of Kenosha Fall Festival. FREE
98. Pumpkin season begins Sept 12 at Jerry Smith Produce & Pumpkin Farm. FREE to see the pumpkin displays
99. Go birding at Chiwaukee Prairie, an ecological gem. FREE
100. Find and try your favorite childhood video game at Inner Child Comics & Collectibles. Many under \$10 to purchase / FREE to try
101. Electric Streetcars are celebrated during Kenosha Streetcar Day on Sept 26. It's been 20 years since streetcars returned to our city! \$1 & under fare