



Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce
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2021 Taste of Glen Ellyn & Carnival will take place August 11 - 15 in Downtown Glen Ellyn

The Taste of Glen Ellyn is a five-day event that takes place in the heart of downtown Glen Ellyn, northwest of Main Street and the tracks on Glenwood Avenue and Crescent Boulevard. The annual event features a variety of live entertainment including nationally known performers, a community stage showcasing local youth groups and a back-to-school celebration. Enjoy all the event has to offer with festive foods, cold beverages, a business expo and carnival rides.

The Taste of Glen Ellyn is a Family Friendly Event which has previously seen over 25,000 residents of Glen Ellyn and surrounding community. As we are getting back to normal in our community the Taste will look a bit different. The five day carnival and festival has been scaled down for this year. This event will follow CDC guidelines.

Dates: Wednesday, August 11 – Sunday, August 15

Location: Downtown Glen Ellyn, Northwest of Main Street and the tracks on Glenwood Avenue and Crescent Boulevard

Hours:

- Wednesday, August 11 1:00pm - 10:00pm
- Thursday, August 12 1:00pm – 10:00pm
- Friday, August 13 1:00pm – 10:30pm
- Saturday, August 14 11:00am – 10:30pm
- Sunday, August 15 11:00am – 8:00pm

Admission: FREE

Food Vendors: Glen Ellyn is home to amazing restaurants. New this year restaurants will feature a small “taste off” their menu. Come and sample, Wednesday through Sunday, a variety of food from our local restaurants and your carnival favorites.

Back-to-School Celebration: Wednesday, August 11 from 1:30 pm to 7:30pm will feature Glen Ellyn Schools and their teachers with performances, a silly shower, photobooth and more.

Live Entertainment: Bringing in the best of the burbs to the Main Stage Thursday through Saturday. Enjoy live bands of all genres.

Thursday, August 12

- 5:00 – 5:30pm Kickin it with Carol Line Dancing
- 5:30 – 7:30pm Gone Country

- 7:30 – 8:00pm Kickin it with Carol Line Dancing
- 8:00 – 10:00pm 7DEEZ

Friday, August 13

- 6:00 – 8:00pm Serendipity
- 8:30 – 10:30pm Arra

Saturday, August 14

- 12:00 – 5:30pm School of Rock Adult & Youth Groups
- 6:00 – 8:00pm Jenny V and the Flames
- 8:30 – 10:30pm Eclipse

Community Stage: Sunday, August 15 from 12:00pm to 8:00pm groups from the surrounding community will perform. It will be packed with exciting entertainment and fun for all!

- 12:00 Mexican Folklore Dance
- 1:00 Aspirations Dance Company
- 1:30 Yong in USA
- 2:00 Front Street Dance
- 2:30 McNulty Irish Dance
- 3:00 Utkalaa Dance Center
- 3:30 Solo Artist
- 3:45 LOVV, the Dance Studio
- 4:30 Trinity Irish Dancers
- 5:00 U.S. Martial Arts Academy
- 6:00 DeForest Dance
- 7:00-8pm Cover Me

Business Showcase Expo: Connecting businesses to thousands of customers, face to face, giving them a chance to showcase their businesses. Visit booths Wednesday through Sunday.

Taste Carnival: Featuring activities and carnival rides Wednesday through Sunday. A portion of the proceeds of the carnival will fund a new scholarship program for local high school students.

Carnival Dates & Hours

- Wednesday, August 11 1:00pm - 10:00pm
- Thursday, August 12 1:00pm – 10:00pm
- Friday, August 13 1:00pm – 10:00pm
- Saturday, August 14 11:00am – 10:00pm
- Sunday, August 15 11:00am – 8:00pm

\$25.00 wristbands give unlimited rides on one of the following days:

- Wednesday, August 11 1 PM – 5 PM
- Thursday, August 12 1 PM – 5 PM
- Friday, August 13 1 PM – 5 PM
- Sunday, August 15 5 PM – 8 PM

Sponsors at the Taste of Glen Ellyn: The Taste of Glen Ellyn is a Family Friendly Event which has previously seen over 25,000 residents of Glen Ellyn and surrounding community. Thank you to Quaid & Rooney Distinctive Real Estate, Pete's Market, College of DuPage, Sign Identity and Jerry Haggerty Chevrolet, Inc. for sponsoring the Taste. There are still a variety of opportunities available for you and your company. For more information visit glenellynchamber.com/taste.

Volunteer at the Taste of Glen Ellyn: Over 200+ volunteer shifts available including beer tent & ticket sales, Chamber food tent, set up and tear down. Sign up at signupgenius.com/go/30e054fa9a82ea7f58-taste2. New this year, if your non-profit organization provides a minimum of 5 volunteers during a beer tent time slot, the tips collected during this shift will be donated back to your organization. Email jaclyn@glenellynchamber.com to reserve your slot. They will be filled on first come basis and one non-profit per time slot.

COVID Protocol: The Taste will follow CDC guidelines. It is suggested for all those non-vaccinated to wear face masks in outdoor settings. If you feel ill, please stay home. Hand washing stations and hand sanitizer will be accessible throughout the Taste grounds.

For more information visit www.GlenEllynChamber.com/Taste or call the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce at **630.469.0907**.

About the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce The Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce, founded in 1933 and governed by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors and managed by a professional staff. Our mission is to foster and promote the business and professional interests of Glen Ellyn, the adjoining areas, and to promote the welfare of the Glen Ellyn and connecting Business with the greater community.

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