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Kite Festival Returns to Veterans Park

Milwaukee, WI (Sept. 8, 2015) – Hundreds of colorful kites will fill the skies over Veterans Park on Milwaukee’s Lakefront at the 37th Annual Maggiano’s Frank Mots International Kite Festival, Saturday, Sept. 12, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 13, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. The Kite Society of Wisconsin and Illinois along with Gift of Wings are presenting the free event. Parking for the event is also free.

This year’s event will kick off with the swearing in of 65 U.S. Navy Servicemembers, Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

The public is invited to bring kites and take part in the Fast Track Grand Launch at noon each day. Event-goers without kites may purchase them at the event.

“We’re known for having the most powerful line up of giant kites in the Midwest,” said Scott Fischer, owner of Gift of Wings. “Our friends on the Canadian Dream team will be adding their new super-giant octopus kite to the mix.”

Master-class professional kite-flying teams will perform beginning at 12:30 p.m. each day. Professionals include a precision kite-flying team, a dual-line pair, a dual-line sport kite-flyer, and teams flying the giant kites of Gift of Wings. A special treat will be the team of Connor and Amy Doran, top-12 finalists on “America’s Got Talent.” Additional experienced individuals and teams from the U.S. and Canada will perform.

At about 2:30 p.m. each day, the “Kids Mad Dash” will get under way, as children run to launch their kites.

Food items including Johnsonville Brats, Palermos Pizza, and Red Hot Chicago Hot Dogs will be available for purchase.

For more information, visit www.giftofwings.com

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