

HEADLINES



June 23, 2005

Fourth of July Fun in Rock Island!

The Rock Island Parks & Recreation Department invites you and your family to attend the *Independence Day Celebration*, otherwise known as **Family Fun Day** - on Monday, July 4, 2005 at [Sunset Park](#) in Rock Island.

Come watch more than 30 cardboard boats made totally out of corrugated cardboard, race around a 200-yard course. **The Great Cardboard Boat Regatta** races will begin at approximately 9:00 AM at Sunset Park's Lake Potter, 18th Avenue and Sunset Road. Three classes of boats are raced:

- Class I includes all boats propelled by paddles or oars (now a youth and adult division),
- Class II boats are propelled by sails, propellers, or paddle wheels
- Class III boats, which are called "instant boats", are built on site, the day of the race from a "secret" kit that can be purchased for \$10.00 (limit of 10 kits).

Trophies are awarded to the top finishers in each class with special design and team awards also given out. Entry forms and boat building rules can be picked up at the Park Office, 1320 24th St., Rock Island. For more information please call 732-PARK.

The fun doesn't end with the race! Stay for some of the following **FREE** activities:

- [Backwater Gambler's Water Ski Show](#): 12:00 p.m. – Free!
- **Children's Zone**: The children's zone will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and includes a fun jump house, a slide, the "Adrenaline Rush", mini-golf, and more! Stay for the pie-eating contest, sac races, and annual water balloon fight!



Bring the entire family for some good food, great fun, and family entertainment.
All we need is you! Call (309) 732-7275 for more information.