



Press Release

Event: 84th Herscher Labor Day Celebration

Date: September 6, 2004

Location: Herscher, IL

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Herscher, IL 60941

Hare and Tortoise Race - Rick Livesey - 815-939-0719

Arts and Crafts Show - Kevin Lockwood - 815-426-6311

Grand Parade - John Brantz - 815-426-6183

Kiddie Tractor Pull - Todd Widholm - 815-426-2156

Afternoon Entertainment - Will Rezba - 815-426-6427

Punt, Pass, and Kick - Corey Eich - 815-426-6414

Herscher Blaze - Girl's Fast pitch softball - Mike Bruner - 815-426-6668

Volleyball Tournament - Dawn Deany - 815-426-2685

Local Talent Show - Hollie Lovell - 815-426-2041

In Park Activities - Pete Denaulty - 815-426-2995

The 84th Labor Day Celebration will be held in Herscher, Illinois September 5-6, 2004. The two day event includes a parade with marching bands - the Award Winning Herscher High School Marching Tigers, floats, and antique cars, free entertainment tent, 5k run, and other surprises, volleyball tournament, kiddie tractor pull, local talent show, antique car show, giant flea market, carnival, reviewing stand entertainment, outdoor concert with live band, and much more.

The 84th Herscher Labor Day is an important part of our community, drawing thousands to Herscher each year. The Herscher Labor Day originated in 1920 by a group of people who wanted to bring more people into the community. Events at that time included Barn Dances, Parades, Tumbling Acts, Rodeos, and Music Concerts. Although the Labor Day Festival was new at the time, these events managed to draw crowds from all around.

Sunday, September 5, 2004

1:00pm - Volleyball Tournament

5:00pm – 23rd Annual running of the Herscher Hare and Tortoise Race (5k run and 2 mile walk)

Monday, September 6, 2004

9:00am - Arts and Crafts Show opens at state Bank of Herscher Parking Lot

10:30am - Grand Parade Featuring Herscher High School Marching Tigers

Grand Marshals: TBA

11:30am - Grand Dinner - Served at Herscher High School cafeteria by Trinity Lutheran Church

12:30pm - Herscher Blaze - Girls fast-pitch softball tournament - Village Park Diamond

Volleyball Tournament Resumes - Village Park

Free Entertainment - Band Stand Village Park

Concession stands, Kiddie rides, game booths, Bingo - Village Park

1:00pm - Herscher High School Marching Tigers - Season Preview

1:30pm - Herscher High School "Herscher Idols Contest"

2:00pm - Herscher Christian Church - "Funtastic Family"

Kiddie tractor Pull - Village Park

3:00pm - Herscher Grade School Band

3:45pm - Bruce Richardson - vocal soloist

4:00pm - Punt, Pass, and Kick - Village Park

5:00pm - Herscher High School Jazz Band

5:30pm - Herscher High School Show Choir

6:30pm Annual Local Talent Show

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