

Joan Jett, Cagle to headline county fair

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JEFFERSON — The Jefferson County Fair will feature national country artist Chris Cagle and rock legend Joan Jett and the Blackhearts as its grandstand headliners this summer, officials announced Thursday.

The 163rd Jefferson County Fair, to take place from July 8 -12, will present Chris Cagle on Friday, July 10, with opening act Gunnar and the Grizzly Boys, and Joan Jett and the Blackhearts on Saturday, July 11.

Both shows will take place in the Wilbert Betschler Memorial Grandstand at Jefferson County Fair Park.

Following last year's country headliners Colt Ford and Justin Moore, the fair organizers have provided more variety in the year's line-up.

"We are thrilled to be able to diversify our entertainment and bring both rock and country to the main stage," Fair Park Director David Diestler said.

Cagle, known for his redneck, rock-and-roll style, has produced two gold albums and fan favorites including, "Let There Be Cowgirls," "Chicks Dig It" and "Got My Country On". Gunnar and the Grizzly Boys have made a name for themselves with hits such as "Pedal To The Floor" and "Standard American."

On Saturday, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee Joan Jett and the Blackhearts will bring hard-rocking classics to the main stage. Jett has produced eight platinum and gold albums and nine Top 40 singles, and in April, will be inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.

Jett's biggest hit "I Love Rock 'n Roll" was ranked No. 89 in Rolling Stone magazine's top 100 Greatest Guitar Songs Of All Time. Other career hits include, "Bad Reputation," "I Hate Myself For Loving You" and "Crimson and Clover."

This year's fair theme is "Year of the Cheese," as a tribute to Wisconsin's cheese and dairy industry.

The sale date for reserved seat tickets and party pit passes for both nights has yet to be released.

For more information, contact the Jefferson County Fair Park at (920) 674-7148 and watch the Jefferson County Fair's Facebook page and Daily Jefferson County Union for continual updates.



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