

## Lyon Township 7th Annual Kite Festival

Lyon Township celebrated its seventh annual kite festival on Saturday and Sunday, June 6 and 7, at its James Atchison Park. The festival was extremely popular and proved to be quite a draw for those looking to experience some local family fun. This festival is the most popular and well-known event held in Lyon Township, and it just gets bigger and better every year!

Here's a look, by the numbers, of what went down this year:

- 7,537 people entered the park to attend the festival.
- 367.5 pounds of cereal and \$2,182 were donated to **Active Faith** in lieu of an entrance fee.
- 2 colorfully decorated 40' tents and 3 childrens' games were provided by **Oakland County Parks**.
- **Erwin Orchards** provided 2 farm wagons drawn by tractors took festival visitors to and from the parking lots.
- 1,500 people were on-site at the peak hour of 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- On Saturday, 657 free kite kits were given to children to decorate and fly.
- 215 wooden model car kits were provided free by Lowe's for children to learn how to assemble them.
- 4 cars and 1 truck from Hines Park Ford were viewed by over 425 potential buyers.
- 8 magic shows were performed by Ohnjay, the Magician.
- 12 reptiles were displayed and children were allowed to pet them during the **Muxlow Exotic** pet show.
- 350 pounds of ice was shaved for flavored cones served by **Wonder Jump**.
- 3,632 pieces of pepperoni covered the many pizzas sold by **Hungry Howie's**.
- The **Kiwanis Club** were left with only a few bratwurst, but no hotdogs nor hamburgers after their two days of serving.



- 8,775 baked beans were served by Lindsay Pizza, along with other delicious barbecue items.
- 50 pounds of cinnamon roasted nuts were sold to support sending the Walled Lake Central marching band to NYC.
- 72 performances were done by 22 professional kite flyers.



- 523 photos were taken with LEO, the Lyon Events Organization mascot.
- 1,870 ounces of coffee was given away to spectators by the New Hudson **Biggby's.**
- 144 children had their faces painted by Liz, courtesy of **Pinz Bowling Center**
- 36 committee members and volunteers helped make the festival a success.
- And most importantly, zero kites fell on I-96 for the seventh consecutive year!

