

July Fourth events

Fourth of July Parade

9 a.m.

Downtown Ashland

Parade celebrating America's 250th birthday put on by the Ashland Betterment Coalition.

Ringing the Bell

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Centralia City Square, 114 S. Rollins St.

Flag ceremony in celebration of America's 250th birthday featuring guest speaker Ryan Ball.

Midnight Swim and Fireworks Show

7 p.m. to midnight

Centralia Pool and Centralia Recreation Park

The pool will be open from 7 p.m. to midnight to watch fireworks.

American Rhapsody: A Fourth of July Celebration in Sound

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 4

The Missouri Theatre, 203 S. Ninth St.

A performance by The Missouri Symphony that "captures the excitement of fireworks and recreates it onstage through music that sparkles and soars." Features performances of "America the Beautiful" and "Armed Forces Medley," among other pieces.

Fourth of July celebration

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

American Legion Post 202, 3669 Legion Lane

An afternoon of food, games and family-friendly activities.

Red, White & BBQ

Noon to 5 p.m.

The Kitchen Grill & Games, 3711 Discovery Parkway,

Enjoy food and a variety of activities, including lawn games and face painting. Limited edition holiday T-shirt giveaway.

Fourth of July Celebration at Cooper's Landing

2 p.m.

Cooper's Landing, 11505 S. Smith Hatchery Road

Independence Day celebration including live music from Flyover Country (2 p.m. to 5 p.m.) and The Fried Crawdaddies (6 p.m. to 9 p.m.)

Fourth of July Celebration at CrossWay Church

4 to 10 p.m.

7817 N. Chesley Drive

An afternoon and evening of food, games, and a fireworks show to close out the night.

CoMo Fire in the Sky

6:30 p.m. (fireworks at approximately 9:15 p.m.)

Stephens Lake Park

Columbia's 74th annual Independence Day celebration will have live entertainment, activities, food trucks and a fireworks display.

American Spirits: A Toast to 250 Years

7:30 to 10 p.m.

The Broadway Hotel, 1111 E. Broadway

Join in the conclusion of America's 250th birthday celebration with Prometheus, an extension of the Choral Arts Alliance of Missouri, with an evening of musical highlights from their "American Voices" program, paired by musical era with craft cocktails, artisan beers and regional wines.

Fourth of July celebration at Midway Heights Baptist Church

8 p.m.

Midway Heights Baptist Church, 6801 W. Rollingwood Blvd.

Ice cream and cookies at 8 p.m., and fireworks start at dark.