

A day of fun at Fishermen's Village



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Fishermen's Village held an all-day Fourth of July celebration with fun for the whole family. Music, face painting, juggling, good food deals and more took place inside before and after the swimmers took off to cross Charlotte Harbor in the annual Freedom Swim. Here, the first band up playing in Center Court for the celebration was Beans and Seeds.



Face painter Heidi Ganski had the kids lined up for her unique designs during the celebration. Seen here are Alexandria Karvaski, 5, Melana Conte, 6, and in the chair London Karvaski, 2.



Promoting boating safety during the holiday weekend, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 98 was on hand to answer questions and hand out literature on tips for boaters and swimmers. For more information you can visit its website at www.USCGAuxCharlotteHarbor.org. Seen here are Mitch Schlitt, Mike English, Duane Ising, Clyde Christopher and Ron Dressler.



Port Charlotte resident Marilyn Thompson came dressed in style to celebrate the Fourth and is seen here dancing to the music of Beans and Seeds in Center Court at Fishermen's Village.



Alex Andreae snuggles with his 3-year-old daughter, Alexis.



Sleeping peacefully and experiencing his first Independence Day in the United States is 3-month-old Storm Stakland, who is a dual citizen of Norway. He is seen here with mom Casey Stakland.



Taking advantage of the great deals on food at the Village Fish Market during the celebration are Wynelle West and Ed Hill.



After getting their faces painted, Julie Bell, Jenna Bell and Joeline De Prisco posed at the cutout of a pirate and mermaid during the celebration.



At dog-friendly Fishermen's Village, Pam Comstock brought her golden retriever, Shadow, and Joy Ritch brought her 3-year-old wheaten terrier, Chevy, to enjoy the festivities.



On the dance floor at Harpoon Harry's during the celebration, DJ George Rogner leads the dancers in the cupid shuffle.