



**SPRING / SUMMER 2022**  
**FUN 101: 101 Things to See & Do for \$10 & Under (Many are FREE!)**

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## **LIFE BY THE LAKE**

1. Relax and watch the sun rise over Lake Michigan. No matter the season, the sun still rises! FREE
2. Climb a Lighthouse! The 1866 Southport Lighthouse tower is open to climb Thursday through Sunday, May through October. \$10 & under
3. View the shore from the water! Bring your kayak for a day on the Lake Michigan Water Trail. FREE access
4. Lounge on a beach. Kenosha has five beaches on the Lake Michigan shore! FREE
5. Feel your toes in the sand! During the summer months, Simmons Island Beach has portable mobility mats designed to accommodate wheelchairs and walkers on the sand. FREE
6. Take a pic of one of Kenosha's most recognized landmarks: the North Pier Lighthouse, home to the Kenosha Lighthouse Studio. FREE
7. Stroll along the lakeside promenade and watch leisure watercraft and sport fishing boats cruising the waterway. FREE
8. Hunt for sea glass / beach glass along Lake Michigan. FREE
9. The Island Deck at the KYC Bar & Grille / Kenosha Yacht Club has it all: a view, beverages, casual dining, and live music. If you were any closer to the water, you'd be in it! Menu prices vary



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## **STREETCARS, TRAINS, AND AUTOMOBILES**

10. Join fellow car enthusiasts in the Kenosha History Center parking lot and show off your classic automobiles. Cruise-In Nights happen the last Friday evening of the month, May through September. FREE
11. Bring your dad to the Father's Day Car Show on June 19 at Baker Park. \$5 to show car; FREE for spectators
12. Bristol 45 Diner hosts cruise nights May through September, the first and third Monday of the month (and fifth Monday if there are five). FREE. We highly recommend you eat at the diner as well; menu prices vary
13. The Kenosha Homecoming Car Show welcomes home AMC, Nash, and other Kenosha-manufactured cars. Events happen July 26-31, with the large car show on July 30. FREE for spectators
14. Show off your car and see what Downtown Kenosha has to offer during the Kenosha Classic Cruise-In on September 3. FREE
15. Celebrate Kenosha's Electric Streetcars during Kenosha Streetcar Day on September 10. FREE activities; \$1 & under for one loop ride on streetcar
16. Ride the historic Lakefront Trolley through Downtown Kenosha and along Lake Michigan. This rubber-wheel trolley operates seasonally. \$1 & under
17. Sit back and enjoy the scenery as you take the Metra train from Chicago to Kenosha. The \$7 Saturday or Sunday Day Pass is good for unlimited rides on either Saturday or Sunday.
18. At Choo-Choo Charlie's Shriner Diner inside the Metra train station, your food basket comes out of the kitchen via a train system that wraps around the restaurant. Menu prices vary

## **THE REST IS HISTORY**

19. Tour a maritime museum! Learn about Lake Michigan shipwrecks and more at the seasonal Southport Light Station Museum. FREE
20. The Library Park Historic District contains many individually outstanding examples of 19th century and early 20th century architecture. Take a guided tour of the district on select Saturdays. \$10
21. The Third Avenue Historic District features Kenosha's early 20th century mansions along the Lake Michigan shore. Take a guided tour of the district on select Saturdays. \$10



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22. Also enjoy the Civic Center and Pearl Street Historic Districts – walk, bike, drive, or take the Electric Streetcar through these two districts. \$1 & under for one loop ride on streetcar
23. Enjoy a self-guided tour of Durkee Mansion, an 1860s mansion that's restored to its original Victorian splendor. Open select days. FREE
24. Kids love the Resource Center inside The Civil War Museum. There is a kid size cabin made out of giant Lincoln Logs and many more FREE family activities.
25. Kids also love the Kenosha Public Museum Field Station with a kid size wood cabin trading post to play in. FREE
26. West of I-94, stop by the Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park Honor Plaza, which serves as a tribute to veterans, and a center for the whole community to gather, reflect, and recreate. FREE
27. Explore Kenosha's extensive AMC history and more at the Kenosha History Center. FREE
28. Visit the Dinosaur Discovery Museum and its interactive exhibit Little Clint: The Story of a Baby Dinosaur. FREE
29. At the Kenosha harbor, take time to stop and read about the Veterans Memorial Fountain and Lone Soldier Memorial at Veterans Memorial Park. FREE
30. Stop at the Simmons Library branch of the Kenosha Public Library, which was dedicated in 1900. The Neo-Classical Revival building was designed by architect Daniel H. Burnham. FREE

## **MUSIC TO OUR EARS**

31. This is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary season of the Kenosha Pops Concert Band. Enjoy Wednesday evening concerts at the Sesquicentennial Bandshell in Pennoyer Park during the summer. FREE
32. Tuesdays At The Shell happens at the Sesquicentennial Bandshell in Pennoyer Park in July and August. FREE
33. Experience Twilight Jazz concerts on the lawn of the Anderson Arts Center, overlooking Lake Michigan, on June 28, July 12, July 26, August 9, and August 23. FREE
34. Enjoy some PB&J! Peanut Butter & Jam is the concert series that features two performances on Thursdays in July and August at Veterans Memorial Park. FREE
35. On select Wednesday evenings, Lincoln Park Live happens at Lincoln Park. FREE



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36. Bristol Woods Park is the venue for Bristol Woodstock. The concerts happen on Thursday evenings from June 16 through August 4. FREE
37. The Pike River Benefit Concert Series at Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary and Arboretum takes place on June 17, July 22, and August 19. \$10

## **ARTSY SIDE**

38. Enjoy the Sculpture Walk, which runs along the harbor and features a dozen works of art. FREE
39. Kenosha is home to many displays of public art. The Starry Night over Kenosha mural by artist Eric Houghton is painted on the west side of Deberge's Framing and Gallery. FREE to enjoy
40. Visit Bjorn's Penguins by artist Dean Tawwater. This is painted on the west facing side of the building that houses Mike Bjorn's Clothing. FREE to enjoy
41. Check out our Wallace Fountain that's located at Place de Douai in HarborPark. Popular around Paris, France, the fountain here was donated by the citizens of Douai, France, a sister city of Kenosha. It's a piece of art! FREE
42. Meet the makers at the Kenosha Art Market in the Union Park Arts District on the third Sunday, June through October. FREE admission
43. Visit Nature's Gallery, an artist's studio and creative space, with handmade local art available to purchase. FREE to browse
44. Bring a little art and take a little art at the Little Free Art Gallery, located in Union Park. FREE
45. Visit the Pencillarium at ArtWorks. Part art gallery, part framing shop, and part pencil-enthusiast store, Pencillarium is almost a museum for those who work in sketch art. FREE to browse
46. Get your hands dirty at The Clay Studio inside Lemon Street Gallery & Artspace. The cost is \$3 per pound of clay, and includes glazes and firing.
47. View local and regional art exhibits at Anderson Arts Center, located inside a French Renaissance Revival style mansion on the Lake Michigan shore. FREE
48. A gift shop and art gallery in one, view the works of award-winning local artists at Pollard Gallery, which is inside the historic Rhode Center for the Arts. FREE to browse
49. At Donovan Scherer's Studio Moonfall, purchase a coloring book with Kenosha scenes from The Color of Kenosha series. \$10



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50. There's nothing better than cheese and cannoli – not to mention homemade Italian sausage cooking on the seasonal outdoor grill. Tenuta's Delicatessen & Liquors is a Kenosha landmark. Prices vary
51. After enjoying a bratwurst, pick up some cheese curds at Brat Stop's Cheese Mart. Prices vary
52. Come see our castle! Enjoy one-of-a-kind photo spots at Mars Cheese Castle. FREE
53. There are many shutterbug hot spots, including at the Welcome to Wisconsin sign at the I-94 Visitor Information Center. FREE
54. Snap a photo with Abraham Lincoln — you'll find him at Library Park, The Civil War Museum, and on the grounds of Carthage College. FREE
55. See how Harborside Common Grounds got its name! On the deck, take a selfie with you, your latte, and the great view. Menu prices vary
56. Enjoy the photo-worthy view of downtown from the seasonal rooftop bar at Apis Restaurant. Menu prices vary
57. Get a pic by the Hebior Mammoth - a woolly mammoth (excavated right here in Kenosha County) - at the Kenosha Public Museum. FREE
58. "Say Cheese" with your favorite brew from one of our local craft breweries. Prices vary
59. Pose with King Elvis - the Kenosha Kingfish mascot - at historic Simmons Field. The collegiate baseball season opens May 30. Game tickets start at \$8
60. Enjoy a cocktail and great views at The Crow's Nest, the seasonal rooftop bar at The Stella Hotel & Ballroom. Be ready to take photos; you'll see gorgeous sunsets! Menu prices vary
61. Before or after you place your order, take a photo with the neon sign at Big Star Drive-In or The Spot Drive-In. Menu prices vary
62. When at a Wisconsin supper club, such as HobNob, one must enjoy a Brandy Old Fashioned! Enjoy yours on the patio overlooking Lake Michigan – and capture the view with your camera. Prices vary

## OUTDOORSY PURSUITS

63. Go Fish! Fish anywhere in Wisconsin without a license on Free Fishing Weekend, June 4-5. FREE



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64. Go fly a kite! June 4-5 would be good days to do so – at the Outta Sight Kite Flight at Kennedy Park. FREE
65. Enjoy a round of golf at Brighton Dale Links or Petrifying Springs Golf Course. Ask about the 9-hole walking rate of \$10, available during select hours.
66. Bring your pooch to play at one of our many off-leash dog parks. Up to \$5 depending on park
67. Play at Kenosha's inclusive, 100% accessible playground: the Dream Playground at Petzke Park. FREE
68. Kids can cool off on a hot summer day at the splash pad area near HarborPark. FREE
69. Fly down the 200-foot-long water slides at Washington Park Pool and Anderson Park Pool this summer. Prices vary
70. Play disc golf at Fox River Park, Lincoln Park, Silver Lake Park, or the UW-Parkside campus. FREE
71. Go “over the river and through the woods” at Petrifying Springs Park – a hiking and biking destination. FREE
72. There are more than 130 miles of bike trails in Kenosha County, including the Kenosha County Bike Trail, the Pike Bike Trail, and mountain bike trails at Silver Lake Park. FREE
73. At Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary and Arboretum, explore a 12-acre arboretum, the woodlands of Pike River Valley, prairies, gardens, and more. FREE
74. It's the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary season for the Aquanut Water Shows! The award-winning water ski show team performs on Lake Mary, most Wednesdays and Saturdays, May 28 - September 3. FREE
75. Have a kayak, canoe, or stand-up paddle board? Experience the Fox River Water Trail! FREE access
76. Watch bicycle races at the Washington Park Velodrome. Built in 1927, it's the nation's oldest operating velodrome. FREE
77. Chiwaukee Prairie State Natural Area is a 482-acre remnant lake plain wet prairie, an ecological gem. Enjoy nature study, birding, photography, and hiking here. FREE
78. Pringle Nature Center offers many tools to explore Bristol Woods Park including GPS units that are pre-programmed with the known geocaches and ecocaches located in the park. \$5 per unit for general public
79. Get your 10,000 steps in while sightseeing in Kenosha! Find some suggested routes at [VisitKenosha.com/Steps](http://VisitKenosha.com/Steps). Most of the routes are FREE to access



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80. July 3 is the Kenosha Civic Veterans Parade; "America the Beautiful" is the theme. FREE
81. Celebrate America - a festive event on the Lake Michigan shore - is July 3 and 4 with fireworks on July 4. FREE admission
82. Bristol Progress Days is a fun hometown festival July 8-10 at Hansen Park. FREE admission
83. Taste of Wisconsin is back this year. The dates are July 28-30. FREE admission
84. Wheels & Squeals is the theme of this year's Kenosha County Fair, August 17-21. Admission \$10 & under
85. Picnic in the Park features live music, food trucks, and fireworks at Petrifying Springs Park on August 20. FREE admission
86. Oh, Fudge! Pick your favorite flavor of ice cream and/or homemade fudge and enjoy a delightful treat at Scoops Ice Cream & Candy. Prices vary
87. Now in its 20<sup>th</sup> season, Kenosha's Original HarborMarket begins its outdoor season on May 14 at 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 56<sup>th</sup> Street. Open Saturdays; its indoor season concludes April 30 at the Kenosha Union Club. FREE admission
88. Young kiddos will love Play Space, a family-owned indoor facility designed to provide open play for children crawling to 6 years old. \$9
89. Enjoy special events and family activities at Jerry Smith Produce & Pumpkin Farm. Prices vary
90. Open year-round on Saturdays, Kenosha Public Market's outdoor season begins May 14 near Veterans Memorial Park. It's inside The Vault Banquet Hall through April. FREE admission
91. Lou Perrine's Gas & Groceries opens its second location on 80th Street on April 6. This location features Mama P's HoHo Cake AND Einstein Bros. Bagels. Prices vary
92. Celebrating someone special's graduation or wedding? Pick out the perfect card at RK News Hallmark. Prices vary
93. Check out what Sandy's Popper is dishing up! They serve ice cream, as well as their popcorn which is made in-house in small batches. Prices vary
94. Browse for treasure at the seasonal Wilmot Flea Market, which takes place on Sundays, April 24 into October (excluding August 14 and 21) at the Kenosha County Fairgrounds. \$2 & under
95. Looking for outdoor dining? You have many choices - including the Garden of Eatin' at The Coffee Pot. Try the Homemade Corned Beef Hash! \$10



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96. On select days of the week, Farmers Markets occur at various City of Kenosha parks. They are open based on produce availability. FREE to browse, prices vary
97. Come see why Franks' Diner has been featured on more than one episode of the Food Network's "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives"! Many menu items under \$10
98. The City of Kenosha Fall Festival is September 10. Start growing your pumpkins now: the Wisconsin Giant Pumpkin Growers will host a weigh-off. FREE admission
99. Fall Fun Festival and World Migratory Bird Day take place September 17 at Pringle Nature Center, inside Bristol Woods Park. FREE admission
100. Visit Blue House Books for a variety of items under \$10: bookmarks, new and used books, and more. Prices vary
101. Did you know that the global headquarters of Jockey International, Inc. is in Kenosha? Shop the clearance room at the Jockey Factory Store for all kinds of products and savings. Prices vary