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SPECIAL EVENTS FOR THE KIDS HIGHLIGHT THE WEEKEND IN KENNER

Kenner, LA. – A busy weekend in Kenner includes two special attractions for the kids in Rivertown, as well as a comedy and classic cars show at the Castle Theater and the Great Southern Gun & Knife Show on Saturday and Sunday at the Pontchartrain Center.

Beginning tonight, a production of *Seussical, Jr.* opens at the Rivertown Theaters for the Performing Arts. Featured on the Lagniappe Stage, the show includes characters from the beloved books of Dr. Seuss. The audience is led by the Cat in the Hat as the narrator, and hear the story of an elephant named Horton, who discovers a speck of dust has a community of tiny people called the Whos.

The starting times are 7:30 p.m. tonight and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday at 325 Minor St. For more information, contact the Box Office at (504) 461-9475.

Also tonight, and also in Rivertown, the Castle Theatre, 501 Williams Blvd., presents *Jodi Borrello & Friends*. The show features popular comedienne Jodi Borrello and starts at 8 p.m. For more information, contact the Castle Theatre at (504) 287-4707.

Beginning Saturday morning, the Farmers Market in the parking lot across from Exhibition Hall in the 400 block of Williams Boulevard in Rivertown will have plenty of fresh produce, as well as special demonstrations and tips from food experts.

The market is open from 8 a.m. to noon. For more information, contact Nancy Ladner at (504) 468-7211.

Also on Saturday morning, a free screening of *Space Racers*, an animated show now appeared Saturday and Sunday mornings on WLAE-TV. The screening is for kids between the ages of 3 and 6+ and includes a visit from “Eagle” one of the shows heroes, along with the show’s creators. They will talk about how NASA scientists and astronauts collaborated on the show.

Space Racers allows young people to learn about space exploration and scientific investigation, as well as the importance of team work.

There are two screenings on Saturday at the Kenner Planetarium & Megadome Cinema, 2020 Fourth St. The first is at 9:30 a.m. and the second follows at 10:30 a.m. The Rivertown Space Science Complex will be open, free of charge, for visitors to explore after their screening or while waiting for their screening to begin.

For more information, contact Helen Sigur at helen@wlae.com.

On Saturday night, the Castle Theatre will hold a Classic Cars and Comedy event from 5 to 10 p.m. at 501 Williams Blvd. The car show begins at 5 p.m. and the comedy and music starts at 8 p.m.

Admission is \$15, and is free to anyone with a classic car, though there is a limited number of complimentary tickets. Entertainment includes the comedy of Jodi Borrello and Becky Allen with music provided by Michael Liuzza.

For more information, call the Castle Theater at (504) 287-4707.

The Great Southern Gun & Knife show features hundreds of exhibitors in Halls A and B of the Pontchartrain Center, 4545 Williams Blvd.

The show is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$2 for kids between 6 and 11 years old and no charge for children 5 years old or younger.

For more information contact the Pontchartrain Center at (504) 468-6692.

Also on Saturday is the finals of the \$10,000 Squirrel Open at Coconut Beach, 100 Coconut Beach Ct. The first matches start at 9 a.m. The event has been going on throughout the summer with the top teams competing in both men's and women's divisions.

Following the tournament, the band *Bag of Donuts* will perform a free show. For more information about the tournament, go to www.coconutbeachla.com.

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