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Last Fling to Host Gavin DeGraw, Sunday August 31 Headliner, and The Hat Guys, Monday September 1 Headliner

NAPERVILLE, Ill. – July 14, 2008 – The Naperville Jaycees are excited to announce that Gavin DeGraw will be performing on the Main Stage at Rotary Hill, in Naperville, at 8p.m. on Sunday, August 31 this Labor Day weekend.

“Gavin has got a huge fan base and his music appeals to fans of all ages,” says John Wrona, Last Fling co-executive director. “We’re looking forward to his enthusiastic show.”

Platinum recording artist and singer songwriter, DeGraw released his second studio album, self-titled, *Gavin DeGraw*, which premiered at #7 on Billboard chart in May, marking Gavin’s first Top 10 album. *Gavin DeGraw* includes his new pop hit single “I’m In Love With A Girl,” which has been in the Top 10 on the Hot AC radio chart for over eight weeks.

“My first main love of music was classic rock, and that’s always remained my foundation,” says DeGraw, who trained at the Berklee School of Music, before leaving to pursue his music career.

DeGraw broke through in 2003, with the release of his debut album, *Chariot*. Selling more than a million copies and earning platinum certification, *Chariot* yielded three hit singles – “I Don’t Want To Be,” “Follow Through,” and the title track, “Chariot.” A highlight to DeGraw’s career, the song, “I Don’t Want To Be,” was chosen as the theme song for the hit TV show “One Tree Hill”.

The singer, 31, has made numerous appearances on television shows like The Late Show with David Letterman, The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, Live with Regis & Kelly and others. His songs have often been sung on “American Idol”.

The Jaycees also announce their Monday night Main Stage headliner, The Hat Guys, a Chicago based tight groove pop band, who will play at 4pm on Labor Day. “The Hat Guys put on a great high-energy show last year, and had everyone on the Hill dancing, so we had to have them back,” said Wrona.

Last Fling headliners will also include: Dennis DeYoung: The Music of Styx on Friday night, and The Doobie Brothers on Saturday night, both at 8p.m.

For more information on the Last Fling’s weekend events, concert tickets, sponsorship and volunteer opportunities visit our website at www.LastFling.org.

The Last Fling is the Naperville Jaycees' major fundraising event of the year. Each year, they host the city's annual Labor Day festival, a wholesome, family

event, with the entire community participating. More than 300,000 patrons visit over the 4-day event, which is held along Naperville's Riverwalk area. Starting Friday afternoon and running through Monday evening, there are special events, carnival rides and attractions, a children's playland, food and beverage vendors, a business expo and concerts on two stages each evening. The Labor Day parade is also part of the festivities. Hotel packages and free shuttle service will also be available.

The Naperville Jaycees is a nonprofit service organization with over 200 young persons dedicated to personal development through community service. The group organizes and staffs the Last Fling in close cooperation with the City of Naperville, the Naperville Park District, numerous Naperville community organizations and tons of volunteers. Proceeds from the Last Fling are given to nonprofit organizations in the community and throughout DuPage County. The Jaycees have contributed more than \$300,000 to various local charities over the last three years.

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