

'Paying It Forward:' Bushfest Offers Wide Variety Of Talented Bands At Two-Day Event Friday/Saturday

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**SEPTEMBER
24TH & 25TH
COTTAGE HILLS
VFW**

**121 SOUTH WILLIAMS
COTTAGE HILLS, IL**

**ADMISSION
\$10**

**AT THE GATE
NO COOLERS ALLOWED**

**FOOD TRUCKS ARTS & CRAFTS VENDORS
VISUAL ENTERTAINMENT**

FRIDAY

CRYSTAL WATERS PRODUCTIONS MAIN STAGE

4:20PM - TANUKIS
5:50PM - DAISY CHAIN
7:30PM - THE GRAHAM BAND
9:10PM - HOOKIE
11:00PM - SYNAPSES

MOJO'S MUSIC STAGE

5:00PM - UNKNOWN & SAILING
6:40PM - CROCODILE KINGS
8:20PM - 33 ON THE NEEDLE
10:10PM - RAVENSMOKE

INDOOR STAGE

5:20PM - NIKO
6:50PM - LESTER, FLOYD & REUBEN
8:00PM - PEANUTBUTTER
JAM BAND
8:50PM - SET BREAK SARAH
10:15PM - GROOVY BUTTER CAKES

SATURDAY

CRYSTAL WATERS PRODUCTIONS MAIN STAGE

12PM - THE SANDWICH BROS
BAND
12:50PM - IDIOT SAVANTS
2:30PM - EVERHEART & LIGHT
4:10PM - BIRDS OF SQUALOR
5:50PM - KRICKETT & THE
GRILLED AVOCADOS
7:30PM - DIBIAS
9:10PM - AGENTS OF THE FREE
11:00PM - 86 RED

MOJO'S MUSIC STAGE

1:40PM - H7
3:20PM - FIRESIDE
5:00PM - LIVER JONES & THE
FLATWORMS
6:40PM - NOBLE BAND
8:20PM - ACCIDENTALLY ON
PURPOSE
10:00PM - BIFF K'NARLY & THE
REPTILIANS

INDOOR STAGE

12:30PM - OMNISONIC
1:30PM - AUTUMN KONKOL
2:20PM - TIM SUMMERS
3:30PM - SCOTT ANDREWS
4:40PM - LITTLE KNOWN FACT
5:50PM - TONY HALL
7:10PM - POWJR72
8:30M - BRING ME THE FIRES
10:00PM - PRECARIOUS SITUATION



COTTAGE HILLS - The 14th Annual Bushfest Friday and Saturday at the Cottage Hills VFW at 121 South Williams St. in Cottage Hills will offer a wide variety of bands, food trucks, vendors, and visual entertainment.

Bushfest this year will be dedicated to Doug Bush's sister, Amie, who died of cancer this year.

The event's annual coordinator Doug Bush said his sister was a big fan of Bushfest. Doug said he knows the Bushfest this time will carry on his sister's love of the festival, the bands, and the music.

“She was at all previous 13 Bushfests and I could always hear her cheering on the bands more than anyone else,” Doug Bush said.

“Daisy Chain” started it off at 4:20 p.m. Friday. “Groovy Butter Cakes” closes the show at 10:15 p.m Friday.

Saturday, the festivities commence at noon and go to 10 p.m. The entertainment acts and their times are included at top in a graphic with this story. "The Sandwich Brothers," opens the music at noon on Saturday, while "Bring Me The Fires," and "Precarious Situation," close the action that night at 8:30 and 10 p.m.

Doug Bush said there will be a silent auction at the event and donations will benefit his sister's family. Each year, Bushfest has a special fundraiser for a cause, just another way Doug Bush gives back to others. One year it was a musician who died and proceeds went to his wife and family, then another time someone who battled pancreatic issues.

“Everybody liked the Trinity River Fest and had a good time and we think the same will take place at Bushfest,” Bush said.

Bush said he sincerely loves the bands and the gathering every year and he considers it “paying it forward,” to benefit the musicians and others in the community.