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MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADAM BELLO OPENS THE HISTORIC DENTZEL CAROUSEL AT ONTARIO BEACH PARK

118th season kicks off Friday with FREE rides through Memorial Day

ROCHESTER, NY — County Executive Adam Bello today opened the historic Dentzel Menagerie Carousel at Ontario Beach Park in Charlotte for the 2024 summer season and invited Monroe County children and families to enjoy free carousel rides through Memorial Day, May 27. This year will be the carousel's 118th season at the park.

"The Dentzel Menagerie Carousel is a staple of the summer season in Ontario Beach Park. It has brought joy to generations of families who have gone for a whirl on its hand carved animals," **said County Executive Bello**. "I encourage all families to take advantage of the long weekend and go for a free ride through Memorial Day."

The Carousel's 2024 Operating Schedule is as follows:

Memorial Day Weekend – Open Friday, May 24 through Monday, May 27 (FREE rides)

Post-Memorial Day until June 21 – Open Weekends (Saturday and Sunday)

June 21 through Labor Day – Open Daily (7-Days per Week)

The Carousel's 2024 Hours of Operation are **noon - 7 p.m.** (Opening Day through Labor Day, September 2).

The Carousel's 2024 Price Schedule is as follows:

All rides **FREE** Friday, May 24 – Monday, May 27

Single Ride – \$1

Punch Card (12 rides for the cost of 10) – \$10 ****Valid Any Time****

Wrist Band (Ride All Day) – \$5

[In 2022](#), County Executive Bello announced a \$500,000 investment into improvements to the carousel. Work will commence after the season to install new lighting throughout the building, an ADA accessible ramp, mechanical repairs and a new sound system.

The carousel was carved and created by the firm of G.A. Dentzel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It was installed at Ontario Beach Park in 1905 and has remained in its original location since.

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