GRAND OPENING Celebration

EAST DUBUQUE EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING (ESB)

Hosted by the East Dubuque Lions Club

Theme: Honoring Our Past, Protecting Our Future

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

NOON – 5:30 PM

WING CRAWL COMPETITION

- Participating restaurants and taverns offer wings for judging
- Visitors travel among establishments and vote
- People's Choice Wing Champion competition

1:00 PM

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION & OPEN HOUSE BEGINS

- Building tours
- Bounce houses and children's activities
- Games and family entertainment
- Touch-a-truck displays
- Emergency vehicle tours
- Community exhibits
- Historical displays

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

OPEN HOUSE ACTIVITIES

- Meet and greet with first responders
- Historical photos and artifacts

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

FREE BRATS AND HOTDOGS

- Sponsored by the East Dubuque Lions Club

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

COMMUNITY ENTERTAINMENT

- Live music
- Sponsor recognition

6:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENT OF WING CRAWL WINNER

6:05 PM

BENEDICTION & BLESSING OF THE BUILDING

- Blessing of the ESB
- Prayer for first responders and community

6:10 PM

OFFICIAL GRAND OPENING CEREMONY

- Presentation of Colors
- National Anthem
- Welcome Remarks
- Special remarks and project recognition

6:40 PM

HISTORIC FIRE BELL UNVEILING

- Lighting of restored historic fire bell
- Ceremonial ringing marking the reopening of the restored 1892 fire station bell marking the opening of the East Dubuque Emergency Services Building

6:45 PM

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

- Community fireworks celebration

7:15 PM

EVENT CONCLUDES

PRESENTING SPONSORS

Fred Jackson TUCKPOINTING | J&R RENTAL | origin design | TRICON WE BUILD | SPECIALIZING IN HISTORICAL MASONRY rw restoration

COMMUNITY SPONSORS

Clay's Property Management | Temperley Excavating | T&T Iron & Metals, INC. | Top Notch Plumbing | Welu Painting | WHKS Engineering