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COMMERCE BANK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES DATES ARE ANNOUNCED

(Mahwah) – The Party Dolls, the Cast of Beatlemania, David Munnelly & Friends and the U.S. Military Academy Band will headline the Commerce Bank Summer Concert Series on the Ramapo College of New Jersey campus. The four concerts, all on Thursdays in July, will take place at the Bandshell, beginning at 8 p.m. The first concert, on Thursday, July 7, will end with a fireworks display. In case of rain, the fireworks will take place on July 14. Admission is free; parking is $5 per car.

In addition to Commerce Bank, the series is sponsored by McBride Enterprises, The Prestige Family of Dealerships, The Friends of Ramapo and the Ramapo College Alumni Association.

Bring your lawn chair, a carload of family and friends, and picnic under the stars. In case of rain, concerts will be held in the Berrie Center. For more information or to join the Friends of Ramapo, call 201.684.7611.

The concert schedule is as follows:

Thursday, July 7
Fireworks and Party Dolls
This sensational female vocal trio makes everything old seem new again with the songs of the ‘70s and ‘80s.

Thursday, July 14
The Cast of Beatlemania
The Cast recreates the sight and sounds of the Beatles so accurately that concertgoers will recall when the world was engulfed in the most pleasant fever of all—Beatlemania!

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Thursday, July 21
David Munnelly & Friends
Munnelly and the band are known for mixing traditional Irish and jazz-based sounds to recreate the rhythms of New York Irish dance hall music from the 1920s through ‘40s.

Thursday, July 28
U.S. Military Academy Band
This West Point Band first assembled in 1817 and has evolved into a 43-member band, offering the best in new and traditional concert band selections.

The Summer Concert Series has been held at Ramapo College since 1987. The series has grown steadily and now attracts approximately 1,000 people per evening. The fireworks concert is the most popular, attracting more than 2,500 patrons from the surrounding area.

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