

Circus' big top fun is coming to town

Ladies and gentlemen, children of all ages. Enjoy big top entertainment at home at the Southfield Civic Center when the Franzen Brothers Circus comes to town as part of the Star-Spangled Festival '89.

The circus arrives at 8 a.m. Friday, June 30, and everyone is invited to watch the elephants help erect the circus tents.

Each truck is designed to carry a unique cargo. Part of the crew goes to work immediately, stretching canvases on the ground, while a separate crew begins to feed and water the circus animals that include camels and llamas.

Show times are 2 and 7:30 p.m. on June 30, 1, 4 and 7 p.m. on July 1 and 1 and 4 p.m. July 2.

The circus has lions, tigers, clowns and America's renowned wild animal trainer, Wayne Franzen. It also has aerial acrobats, jugglers and liberty horse drills. You can also ride a real live performing circus elephant.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at a \$1 savings at the Southfield Civic Center Arena. Advance discount family tickets are available, which admit two adults and four children for \$17. Call the 24-hour Southfield Circus Hotline at 354-9358 for up to date ticket information.

AS USUAL, THE Franzen Brothers

Circus continues to bring fun family entertainment with a new, exciting twist.

Henrietta the chicken may just be one of the "wildest" animals on this year's version of the circus, along with her sidekick Billy Earl. Henrietta will make you laugh and she'll make you sing, but most of all, she'll make you remember her for a long time.

Also starring in this year's performances will be lions and Bengal tigers, natural jungle enemies, who will be brought together in one steel arena. Don't cover your eyes because you'll want to see the wild animals rolling globes, walking on their hind legs and jumping through flaming hoops. Those are some of the reasons why the circus has acquired the nickname "America's Favorite Show."

Old-time circuses were noted for having many horses, which were used for many tasks throughout the day. Keeping the traditional alive is the Franzen Brothers Circus which uses horses working "at liberty" — that is, without ropes or fences to keep them in place.

Horses are used only for performing, and they can be seen in a portable corral before the performance. They have their own tent to keep them out of the rain and hot sun.



This funky chicken named Henrietta and her sidekick Billy Earl are sure to entertain crowds at this year's Franzen Brothers Circus. Circus tickets are, in advance, \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and senior citizens. At the door, tickets are \$1 higher. A special family rate is available for two adults and four kids at \$17.



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at 354-6565.

