

Singers to 'Rock for the Animals'

Country-music legends Johnny and June Carter Cash are top billed among more than 40 acts appearing at Saturday's Rock for the Animals concert to benefit the Sumner County Humane Society.

The marathon show is set to begin at noon and last until late into the night, said concert organizer Hugh Waddell. The annual event will once again take place at Hendersonville's Monthaven Farm, located 1½ miles north of Rivergate Mall on Gallatin Road.

The Cashes, blues-rock star Jimmy Hall and Capitol Records rockers Walk the West are the concluding acts for the concert's main stage, with guest celebrities Wolfman Jack and Mr. T booked to introduce Cash.

"Mr. T will also be there at noon to kick it off and sign autographs," Waddell said.

Both the main and side stages will feature well known and developing acts from Nashville and beyond.



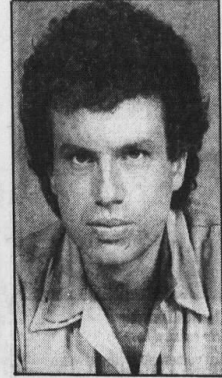
Wolfman Jack

"We're going to have a 40-foot stage and a massive light show," Waddell said. "We try to have peo-



Celinda Pink

ple to come out see some of these acts that normally perform in a club situation in a concert setup."



Jimmy Hall

Concert organizers are trying raise enough money to reopen the Sumner County Humane Society, temporarily closed because of funding problems. A celebrity softball tournament which used to support the operation in past years has been discontinued.

Waddell has assembled a diverse crew of artists to entertain Rock for the Animals attendees — everyone from sweet-singing country vocalist Stella Parton to Nashville reggae master Aashid Himons. A trio of stellar Texas singer-songwriters — Townes Van Zandt, Guy Clark and Richard Dobson — are set to appear, as are Dickson, Tenn., country singers Thomas Qualls and J.C. Valanc.

Cash's son, John Carter Cash, will unveil his hard-rock group the J.C. Cash Band and also bring out Florida guitarist Erik the Red as a special guest. In another family connection, the lineup will also include Rosey Carter, daughter of June Carter Cash.

Sixties star James Marvell will bring back memories of that glorious decade with his hit *Love Will Make You Happy* and other favorites.

Country songwriter Max D. Barnes heads the list of Rock for the Animals tunesmiths, who also include Bernard Peyton, Lee Owens and Luann Kirkley.

Beach music king Clifford Curry, TSU club favorites Soul Patrol, exotic entertainer Joe Savage, TSU standouts Dream 14 and r&b aces Trinity will supply plenty of rockin' dance music, while the Dusters and Celinda Pink will play the blues.

Three groups — Asylem, the Pedestrians and 7, won spots on the concert lineup by winning a talent contest at Volunteer State Community College. Metro police band the Blue Lites, Bowling Green favorites Government Cheese and Nashville soul-rockers the Chills are also on the bill.

Big-city rocker Fitz and his New York Band will travel to Nashville for the benefit as they did last year. Completing the Rock for the Animals lineup are Middle Tennessee rock bands Private Lives, L.A. Urge, Roadrunner and Cinema.

Tickets for the show cost \$9.50 at the gate or \$7.50 in advance from Ticketmaster. ■

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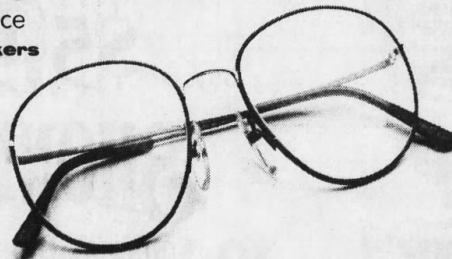
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