

General Event Schedule



TUESDAY

PLAY FOOTBALL SKILLS CAMP

- **Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 4
- **Time:** 6 – 8 p.m.
- **Location:** ForeverLawn Park
- **Cost:** Free for children ages 10-14
- **Contact:** Ashley Veldheer at 616-229-5453
- **Event Information:** The FREE Play Football Skills Camp, for children ages 10-14, features football activities designed for all skill levels. Hall of Famers will be on the field to assist and encourage camp participants.

GAME PLAN FOR LIFE

- **Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 4
- **Time:** 6 – 10 p.m.
- **Location:** Nash Family Event and Conference Center
- **Cost:** For more information contact Christina Musacchia
- **Contact:** Christina Musacchia at 330-588-3650
- **Event Information:** Game Plan for Life is a nationwide Christian ministry that was founded by Hall of Famer Joe Gibbs. The event will feature Hall of Famers presenting about their Christian faith and how it has sustained and helped them.

WEDNESDAY

SALUTE TO GREATNESS GOLF OUTING

- **Date:** Wednesday, Aug. 5
- **Time:** 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. (Bus will depart from the DoubleTree Hotel at 6:30 a.m.)
- **Location:** Glenmoor Country Club
- **Cost:** Private Event
- **Contact:** Joe Hawkins at 330-495-5444; Vince Guardado 330-327-7848
- **Event Information:** 18-hole golf outing for members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Breakfast will be provided.

PLAY FOOTBALL FIRST PLAY

- **Date:** Wednesday, Aug. 5
- **Time:** 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- **Location:** From Downtown Canton to the Hall of Fame
- **Cost:** Free for children up to 18
- **Contact:** Jerry Csaki at 330-206-0552
- **Event Information:** This great event features thousands of children who form a human chain and pass a football along a 3-mile route from the location in Downtown Canton, where the NFL was founded, to the front steps of the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Lunch at the Field House and KidsFest at the ForeverLawn Park. (See First Play documents under course files for more detailed information.)

SUGARDALE FAN FEST '26

- **Date:** Wednesday, Aug. 5
- **Time:** 5 – 10 p.m.
- **Location:** Pro Football Hall of Fame Campus – Stadium Park Parking Lot and Hall of Fame Parking Lot
- **Cost:** Free
- **Contact:** Emma Porter at 330-880-3392; Kayla Daniels at 614-973-0060; Katie Hiestand at 330-324-9635; Jon La at 973-866-9551
- **Event Information:** Join us on the Pro Football Hall of Fame campus and Stadium Park Lot for bands, DJs, football activities, The Great American Tailgate, games, fun sponsorship activations, photo opportunities, meet and greets with Hall of Famers, live national podcasts and more!

THURSDAY

CLASS OF 2026 AUTOGRAPH SESSION PRESENTED BY TOPPS

- **Date:** Thursday, Aug. 6
- **Time:** 9 – 11 a.m.
- **Location:** Nash Family Event and Conference Center
- **Cost:** \$750 + tax. Tickets can be purchased online here!
- **Contact:** Kayla Daniels 614-973-0060
- **Event Information:** Autograph session featuring members of the Class of 2026. ****Roger Craig will not be signing****

LADIES LUNCHEON PRESENTED BY NOVARTIS

- **Date:** Thursday, Aug. 6
- **Time:** Noon – 2 p.m.
- **Location:** Gervasi Vineyard
- **Cost:** Private event
- **Contact:** Michelle Norris at 330-936-7049; Pat Lindesmith at 330-327-4892
- **Event Information:** Hall of Fame wives and widows come together for an afternoon of togetherness as they enjoy lunch and a short program at the vineyard.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CANTON HOME DEDICATION FOR THE PAYNTHER FAMILY

- **Date:** Thursday, Aug. 6
- **Time:** 3 – 4 p.m.
- **Location:** 1613 Wertz Ave SW, Canton
- **Cost:** Private event
- **Contact:** Adrian Allison at 330-488-5140
- **Event Information:** Representatives from the Pro Football Hall of Fame, James Hardie and Hall of Famers will celebrate the completion and dedication of the Paynter Family's new home. This home was completed with the help of the staff of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

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CLUB 63 TAILGATE

- **Date:** Thursday, Aug. 6
- **Time:** 5 – 7 p.m.
- **Location:** Plaza Tent in Stadium Park Lot
- **Cost:** Sponsor party, by invitation only
- **Contact:** Kayla Daniels 614-973-0060; Pat Lindesmith at 330-327-4892
- **Event Information:** Enjoy an exclusive pregame dinner among pro football's greatest fans with music, food and drinks. Casual attire is suggested.

ICON SHOWCASE

- **Date:** Thursday, Aug. 6
- **Time:** 5 – 7 p.m.
- **Location:** Nash Family Event and Conference Center
- **Cost:** By invitation only
- **Contact:** Christina Musacchia at 330-588-3650
- **Event Information:** Exclusive invite-only hospitality for Hall of Famers.

SUGARDALE TAILGATE

- **Date:** Thursday, Aug. 6
- **Time:** 6 p.m. to game's conclusion
- **Location:** Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium – East End Zone
- **Cost:** Sponsor event; by invitation only
- **Contact:** Adam Brass at 440-840-9565; Lisa Sponseller at 330-588-3631
- **Event Information:** This sponsor will entertain clients in the East End Zone tent for the entirety of the game.

HALL OF FAME GAME PRESENTED BY NOVARTIS

- **Date:** Thursday, Aug. 6
- **Time:** 8 p.m. (Gates open at 6 p.m.)
- **Location:** Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium
- **Cost:** Tickets start at \$90 (plus fees)
- **Contact:** Rich Desrosiers at 330-588-3622
- **Event Information:** The Carolina Panthers will play the Arizona Cardinals in the 2026 Hall of Fame Game.

FRIDAY

UNRIVALED FLAG GOLD JACKET CLASSIC

- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** TBD based on games scheduled
- **Location:** ForeverLawn Park/Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium
- **Cost:** Registration only
- **Contact:** Scott Garcia at 330-588-3579
- **Event Information:** Youth flag football tournament for 5U-17U. Every registered participant receives admission to the hall, a ticket to the game and a ticket to enshrinement. Winning teams earn a half-paid bid to the Youth Flag Football World Championships at Disney. More information: <https://unrivaledflag.com/tournaments/>

SUGARDALE BREAKFAST

- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** 7 – 10:30 a.m.
- **Location:** Nash Family Event and Conference Center
- **Cost:** Sponsor event; by invitation only
- **Contact:** Adam Brass at 440-840-9565; Lisa Sponseller 330-588-3631
- **Event Information:** This sponsor will entertain employees in the Nash with a special visit from a Hall of Famer

FASHION SHOW LUNCHEON PRESENTED BY CRYSTAL CLINIC PLASTIC SURGEONS

- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** Pop-up shopping 9 – 11 a.m., Program 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- **Location:** Canton Memorial Civic Center
- **Cost:** Tickets range from \$96-\$108 and can be purchased here: <https://www.profootballhofestival.com/fashion-show-luncheon/>
- **Contact:** Adrienne Weiner at 330-458-2053
- **Event Information:** The Fashion Show Luncheon showcases a diverse array of fashion for men, women and children from local and national stores. Attendees can enjoy mimosas, market shopping and entertainment, ensuring a memorable and fun-filled tradition in Ohio's fashion scene.

SUGARDALE FAN FEST '26

- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** Noon – 10 p.m.
- **Location:** Pro Football Hall of Fame Campus – Stadium Park Lot and Hall of Fame Parking Lot
- **Cost:** Free
- **Contact:** Emma Porter at 330-880-3392; Kayla Daniels at 614-973-0060; Katie Hiestand at 330-324-9635; Jon La at 973-866-9551
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HALL OF FAMER WALK PRESENTED BY SMITH+NEPHEW

- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** 10:30 – 11 a.m.
- **Location:** George Halas Drive to front of Hall of Fame Museum
- **Cost:** Free for all fans
- **Contact:** Jake Ray at 330-428-3834 (Events), Kevin Shiplett at 330-209-5715 (Ops), Adrian Allison at 614-354-8664 (Hall of Famers), Michelle Norris at 330-936-7049 (Hall of Famers)
- **Event Information:** All returning Hall of Famers and the Class of 2026 will be onsite at the Pro Football Hall of Fame to stroll down George Halas Drive in front of fans of all ages on their way to the Hall of Famer photo.

HALL OF FAMER PHOTO

- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** 11 – 11:20 a.m.
- **Location:** Front Steps of the Hall of Fame
- **Cost:** Free for all fans
- **Contact:** Jake Ray at 330-428-3834 (Events), Kevin Shiplett at 330-209-5715 (Ops), Adrian Allison at 614-354-8664 (Hall of Famers), Michelle Norris at 330-936-7049 (Hall of Famers), Rich Desrosiers at 330-588-3622 (Media)
- **Event Information:** All returning Hall of Famers and the Class of 2026 will gather for the annual team photo on the front steps of the Hall of Fame.

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- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** Noon – 2:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Nash Family Event and Conference Center
- **Cost:** Private event
- **Contact:** Michelle Norris at 330-936-7049
- **Event Information:** This is a Hall of Famer ONLY event. The new class is welcomed into the family by 100+ Hall of Famers who have returned to Canton.

ENSHRINEES' GOLD JACKET DINNER PRESENTED BY HAGGAR

- **Date:** Friday, Aug. 7
- **Time:** 5 – 10 p.m.
- **Location:** Canton Memorial Civic Center
- **Cost:** Tickets range from \$200-\$300 each and can be purchased here:
<https://www.profootballhofestival.com/enshrinees-dinner/>
- **Contact:** Sydney Klein at 330-458-2052
- **Event Information:** The 2026 Enshrinees' Gold Jacket Dinner will be a traditional format with a sit-down dinner served before the 2026 Gold Jacket ceremony. There are also ceremony-only tickets available.

SATURDAY

GRAND PARADE PRESENTED BY CERTIFIED ANGUS BEEF

- **Date:** Saturday, Aug. 8
- **Time:** 8 a.m.
- **Location:** Cleveland Avenue at approximately Fifth Street SW. Units travel north on Cleveland Avenue to 25th Street NW where the parade begins to disband.
- **Cost:** Reserved seats, at \$20 each, can be purchased at: <https://www.profootballhofestival.com/grand-parade/>
- **Contact:** Lex Webster at 330-458-2050
- **Event Information:** This cherished tradition, dating back to 1963, draws about 200,000 people annually, making it the fifth largest parade in the country and Canton's biggest free event.

CLUB 63 PRE-ENSHRINEMENT

- **Date:** Saturday, Aug. 8
- **Time:** 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- **Location:** Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium locker room
- **Cost:** Sponsor party; by invitation only
- **Contact:** Kayla Daniels at 614-973-0060; Pat Lindesmith at 330-327-4892
- **Event Information:** Enjoy an exclusive pre-Enshrinement dinner among pro football's greatest fans with music, food and drinks. Casual attire is suggested.

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- **Time:** Noon – 10 p.m.
- **Location:** Pro Football Hall of Fame Campus – Stadium Park Lot and Hall of Fame Parking Lot
- **Cost:** Free
- **Contact:** Emma Porter at 330-880-3392; Kayla Daniels at 614-973-0060; Katie Hiestand at 330-324-9635; Jon La at 973-866-9551
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CLASS OF 2026 ENSHRINEMENT PRESENTED BY NOVARTIS

- **Date:** Saturday, Aug. 8
- **Time:** Noon (Gates open at 10 a.m.)
- **Location:** Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium
- **Cost:** Tickets start at \$35 (plus fees)
- **Contacts:** Rich Desrosiers at 330-588-3622
- **Event Information:** The newest members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame unveil their Bronze Busts, deliver their speeches and formally become members of the sport's most elite fraternity.

CLASS OF 2026 BUST PLACEMENT

- **Date:** Saturday, Aug. 8
- **Time:** Post-Enshrinement
- **Location:** Pro Football Hall of Fame Museum
- **Cost:** Private event
- **Contact:** Jon Kendle at 330-588-3629
- **Event Information:** The Class of 2026 presented by Visual Edge IT officially will place their Bronze Busts in the Hall of Fame Gallery for the first time.

RETURNING HALL OF FAMERS AUTOGRAPH SESSION PRESENTED BY TOPPS

- **Date:** Saturday, Aug. 8
- **Time:** 3 – 5 p.m.
- **Location:** Center for Performance
- **Cost:** \$50 - \$200+ depending on Hall of Famer. Tickets can be purchased onsite at various locations on the Pro Football Hall of Fame campus beginning Thursday Aug. 6th.
- **Contact:** Kayla Daniels at 614-973-0060
- **Event Information:** Autograph session with returning class members.

SUNDAY

CLASS OF 2026 UNSCRIPTED & TAILGATE PRESENTED BY EMPLOYERS HEALTH

- **Date:** Sunday, Aug. 9
- **Time:** Tailgate and food 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.; program 1 - 2:45 p.m.
- **Location:** Canton Memorial Civic Center
- **Cost:** Tickets range from \$100-\$130 and can be purchased here: <https://www.profootballhofestival.com/en-shrinees-roundtable/>
- **Contact:** Adrienne Weiner at 330-458-2053
- **Event Information:** This one-of-a-kind event offers an unscripted, up-close-and-personal experience with the 2026 class of Pro Football Hall of Famers. It kicks off with an impressive tailgate experience featuring traditional food and drinks. As the afternoon progresses, the new class of Hall of Famers will take the stage to share untold stories from their lives and careers in football.

SUGARDALE FAN FEST '26

- **Date:** Sunday, Aug. 9
- **Time:** Noon – 8 p.m.
- **Location:** Pro Football Hall of Fame Campus – Stadium Park Lot and Hall of Fame Parking Lot
- **Cost:** Free
- **Contact:** Emma Porter at 330-880-3392; Kayla Daniels at 614-973-0060; Katie Hiestand at 330-324-9635; Jon La at 973-866-9551
- **Event Information:** Join us on the Pro Football Hall of Fame campus and Stadium Park Lot for bands, DJs, football activities, the Great American Tailgate, games, fun sponsorship activations, photo opportunities, meet and greets with Hall of Famers, live national podcasts and more!

CONCERT FOR LEGENDS CLUB 63 PRE-CONCERT PARTY

- **Date:** Sunday, Aug. 9
- **Time:** 5 – 7 p.m.
- **Location:** Nash Family Event and Conference Center
- **Cost:** Sponsor party; by invitation only
- **Contact:** Kayla Daniels 614-973-0060; Pat Lindesmith at 330-327-4892
- **Event Information:** Enjoy an exclusive pre-concert dinner among pro football's greatest fans with music, food and drinks. Casual attire is suggested.

RAISING CANE'S CONCERT FOR LEGENDS FEATURING LAINEY WILSON

- **Date:** Sunday, Aug. 9
- **Time:** 7:30 p.m. (Gates open at 6 p.m.)
- **Location:** Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium
- **Cost:** Tickets start at \$55
- **Contact:** Kevin Shiplett at 330-209-5715
- **Event Information:** Grammy-award winner and multi-platinum artist Lainey Wilson and rising star Braxton Keith will perform in the Raising Cane's Concert for Legends in a can't-miss night of country music.