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Free Concert in Clarkdale Park featuring Danny Rhodes and the Messengers

On Saturday, September 29th, the Town of Clarkdale is proud to present Danny Rhodes and the Messengers. They will be performing from 6-8 p.m. at the Clarkdale Park gazebo. This concert is part of Clarkdale's free Concerts in the Park series. Make sure to bring your dancing shoes - it's an evening guaranteed to get you off your seat dancing!

Danny has played in all 50 states, Canada, Japan, and Europe with a wide variety of artists, including Charlie Rich, Mel McDaniel, and Brenda Lee. With these artists and with his own bands, he has performed on Austin City Limits, the Grand Ole Opry, HBO, and the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival. In the late 70's, Danny spent two years in Austin, TX and shared bills with Stevie Ray Vaughn and the Neville Brothers, among others.

While living in Nashville, TN, he had the opportunity to perform with Dicky Betts, Gregg Allman, Rodney Crowell, Gatemouth Brown, and Dash Crofts, among others. He was also a staff writer for Warner/Chappell (Warner Bros. publishing company). Danny wrote songs for several artists, including Etta James. His song, "Get Funky," was the first single from Etta's Stickin' to My Guns album, released on Island Records.

In 1996, Danny moved to Arizona and formed the Messengers. The band won the 1999 Arizona Battle of the Bands and has opened for the Neville Brothers, the Radiators, Tab Benoit, and Sonny Landreth. The Messengers consists of Greg Aitken, sax and vocals, Jim Hargis, keyboard and vocals, and Ron James, percussion/drums.

So gather your friends and family for an evening of fantastic entertainment. Remember to bring your own seating. The park is located in the center of the town's historic district on Main Street, between 9th and 10th Streets. There is a 50/50 raffle which proceeds benefit Clarkdale Parks and Recreation. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the park. If you would like additional information contact Dawn Norman, Parks and Recreation, at (928) 643-9591.

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