

City of Grafton Has Dedication of Largest American Flag on Mississippi River and America's Great Loop Saturday

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GRAFTON - The City of Grafton plans a dedication of the largest American flag on the Mississippi River and America's Great Loop at 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the river-bank at the confluence of the Mississippi and Illinois rivers, adjacent to Grafton's Lighthouse Park.

The 130-foot-tall flagpole and the 40' x 80' American Flag will be unveiled at the dedication.

"The ceremony is scheduled to begin at approximately 5 p.m. with dignitaries speaking and the raising of this grand flag by a Color Guard and American veterans honoring all branches of the Armed Forces," the City of Grafton said. "This will be followed by a 21-gun salute by local American Legion Post 648 and a fireworks display at dusk."

Music will be provided by the Jerseyville High School Band and by vocalist Nickie Brooks. Veterans from regional VFW and American Legions will assist with carrying the flag to its new home.