



Kennywood

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West Mifflin, PA — Saturday and Sunday, May 6 & 7, is Opening Weekend at America's favorite traditional amusement park – Kennywood! The gates open at 10:30 AM and the rides open at 11:00 AM.

Kennywood's newest thriller is SwingShot! The 65 feet tall ride has two massive arms hold 32 passengers – swinging them 115 degrees in each direction towards Route 837 on one side and the Phantom's Revenge on the other! Tremendous air driven acceleration in both directions produces the exhilarating experience of weightlessness as riders catapult towards the sky, quickly reverse direction, and then plummet towards the earth.

For guests not quite ready to experience SwingShot, there's plenty of other new stuff. Sit a spell and watch the ride while enjoying the perennial "Ice Cream of the Future", *Dippin' Dots*, served from an all-new stand located adjacent to the SwingShot. Or, try your skill at the new *Buzzer Beater* basketball game, located just on the opposite side of Lost Kennywood.

In addition to all-time favorites like Potato Patch Fries, Hot Dog on a Stick, or Funnel Cake, healthy new food offerings abound in 2006. So grab something yummy to eat and take a seat in the grand stand located by the lagoon to watch the amazing *All American High Dive Show*, produced by Eight Time World High Dive Champion Dana Kunze. Additional entertainment for 2006 includes *In Your Face Magic!* at the Kennyville Stage or, if you have little ones, *AbraKIDabra!* on the Toyland Stage in Kiddieland.

For further information, call 412.461.0500 or visit Kennywood's web site: www.kennywood.com.

Note: Prior to Opening Weekend is the first of two annual educational field trip days. The Education Day scheduled for **Friday, May 5**, includes communication, physics, and architecture. Reservations are required.

Sunday, May 7, includes two returning special events: the 58th annual Safety Patrol Picnic, sponsored by AAA East Central, and College Day, attended by students from colleges in the tri-state area.

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