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## **The Annual Tobacco & Heritage Festival**

...is Logan County's largest event, attended by and participated in by more people than any other activity held in this southcentral Kentucky County. The cities of Adairville, Auburn, Lewisburg, and Russellville, the county seat, plus unincorporated communities come together in the planning and staging of the Festival which is sponsored by the Logan County Chamber of Commerce.

The Tobacco Festival had its beginning in 1941 and was a one-day event, coinciding with the opening of the Christmas shopping season. Conceived as an annual event, the second Festival was held in 1942. However, it ceased during World War II because of the shortages of time, labor, and materials dedicated to the war efforts.

In 1957, the Festival was revived and it has continued uninterrupted. A three-day program in November of 1957 featured the selection of a queen, various contests, floats, dances, and prizes. The length of the celebration has varied, but for the last two decades, the Festival has consistently expanded and has covered approximately two weeks with additional events that may precede and follow the main time frame. The climax of the Festival is the Parade, scheduled on the second Saturday in October, with all other activities adjusted to fit before or after.

The main purpose of the Festival, at its conception, was to focus attention on Logan County's chief crop and pay tribute to Russellville, the largest one-sucker tobacco market in the world. By the mid-1970s, the Festival had taken on an added purpose...to call attention to Logan County itself. Traditionally, it is a time for examining and appreciating our heritage and for taking stock of progress and aspirations for the future.

The Logan County Chamber of Commerce is here to create, promote, encourage, develop & maintain a positive business/economic climate & quality of life that perpetuates an improving community. Thank you for joining us and taking part in the Logan County Tobacco & Heritage Festival of 2017! We hope you have a great time!

## **Logan County Chamber of Commerce**

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## *Logan County Tobacco & Heritage Festival*

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sept. 28 – Oct. 14, 2017**

**In addition to our sponsors, the Logan Chamber would like to thank our volunteers that made this event possible, including; the Festival Committee, Chairperson, Ben Kemplin and Co-Chair, Morgan Vick, as well as our Chamber Ambassadors! We appreciate your service and its many benefits to our community!**



# The Logan County Chamber of Commerce Presents...

## The 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Tobacco & Heritage Festival Sept 28<sup>th</sup> - Oct 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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### Fri, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>

\*Russellville Arts Council Contest  
Submittals Begin (See Applications for Info.)

### Thurs, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>

7:00p \*Tobacco & Heritage Festival Queen's  
Pageant (deGraffenried Auditorium, RHS)

### Sat, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>

8:00a \*Logan's 225<sup>th</sup> Century & Bike Ride  
(Dripping Spring Baptist Church, Olmstead)  
9:00a \*Little Mr. & Miss Pageant (deGraffenried  
Auditorium, RHS)  
1:00p \*Road Rally (Historic Courthouse)

### Sun, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>

2:30p Historic Homes Tour until 6:30 pm.

### Fri, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>

6:30p Logan Co. Senior Citizens Womanless  
Beauty Pageant (Historic Courthouse)

### Sat, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00a \*Golf Scramble (Rolling Hills Golf Course)  
8:00a \*Jesse James 5K Run/Walk (Russellville  
Recreation Center) Registration begins 6:30a.  
9:00a Civil War Living History (Russellville  
City/County Park) until 4:00 pm.  
10:00a Logan County Trivia at the Public Library  
2:00p Hometown History Day "Behind the Scenes  
on Main" tour of historic buildings until 4 pm.

### Sun, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>

10:00a \*"Thunder on the Square" Car Show  
(Park Square) until 5pm. (Rain Date Oct 15<sup>th</sup>)

\*Indicates Pre-Registration is Required!

### Sun, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> CONT...

2:00p Historic Residential Walking Tour (Meet at  
Logan Chamber)  
6:30p Community Singing (Crossland Community  
Church, Russellville.)

### Mon, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>

10:00a Genealogical Society's Historic Jail Tour  
(W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Downtown Russellville)  
2:00p Genealogical Society's Historic Jail Tour  
5:00p Emergency Services Awareness Event  
(Russellville City Fire Department) until 7:00 pm.

### Tues, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>

10:45a \*Taster's Luncheon (Methodist Temple) until  
1:30 pm.  
2:00p Historic Residential Walking Tour (Meet at  
Logan Chamber)  
5:30p \*Cemetery Tour (Maple Grove Cemetery)  
6:00p "Blessing of the Animals", "Pet Show &  
Fair" (Ag Extension Complex, Registration 5 pm)

### Wed, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>

10:30a 4-H Fall Grill Luncheon (Ext. Office) until 1 pm

### Thurs, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>

8:30a Community Health Fair (Southern Heights  
Legacy Center) until 11:30 am.  
2:00p Historic Business Walking Tour (Chamber)  
5:30p \*Cemetery Tour (Maple Grove Cemetery)  
7:00p \*Cemetery Night Tour (Maple Grove Cemetery)

### Fri, Oct 13<sup>th</sup>

Red River Meeting House Primitive Revival  
and Rendezvous (Fri-Sun) Call 270-586-7632!

### Fri, Oct 13<sup>th</sup> CONT...

7:00a Tobacco Judging (Russellville Park Square)  
10:00a \*Senior Stroll - 1 Mile Walk (Chamber)  
10:30a Meet "Rexie" the T-Rex! Kid's Event (Logan  
County Public Library)  
1:00p Trolley Rides (4<sup>th</sup> St. Theater) until 3:00 pm.  
6:00p Red River Square Dancers (Sportsman's  
Club Lodge) until 9:00 pm.

### Sat, Oct 14<sup>th</sup>

6:00a Rotary Pancake Breakfast (First Baptist  
Church, S. Main St.) until 10:00 am.  
9:00a \*Craft Show & Flea Market (Historic  
Courthouse & BB&T Parking Lot) until 4:00 pm.  
9:00a \*Non-Profit, Information & Advertising  
Vendors (Russellville Park Square) until 4pm.  
9:00a \*Concessions Vendors (Square) until 4pm+.  
9:30a Jesse James Bank Robbery Reenactment  
(6<sup>th</sup> & Main St. at Old Southern Deposit Bank)  
10:30a \*Festival Parade (S. Main to West 4<sup>th</sup> St.)  
11:30a FREE Horse & Carriage Rides (S. Main &  
W. 5<sup>th</sup> St.) until 5:30 pm Courtesy of Champion!  
12:00p Kid's Bounce Zone, Arm Bands \$10 (E. 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
at Old Theatre) until 4:00 pm.  
12:30p \*Karaoke Contest with Clay Bilyeu  
2:40p Line Dancing until 3:00 pm.  
3:00p Russellville Alumni Meet & Greet (RHS  
Lobby, Program at 5:00 pm in the gymnasium.)  
3:30p Frank Hamilton & The Johnny Cash Band  
5:00p Summers, Kirby & Sanders Festival  
Finale Featuring "JonQ Band" until 8 pm.