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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 61st Annual Tobacco & Heritage Festival Sept 28th - Oct 14th, 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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***Indicates Pre-Registration is Required!**

Fri, Sept. 22nd

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

Thurs, Sept. 28th

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

Sat, Sept. 30th

8:00a *Logan's 225th 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. 1st

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

Fri, Oct. 6th

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

Sat, Oct. 7th

8:00a ***Golf Scramble** (Rolling Hills Golf Course)
8:00a ***Jesse James 5K Run/Walk** (Russellville
Recreation Center) Registration begins 6:30a.
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. 8th

10:00a ***"Thunder on the Square" Car Show**
until 5 pm. (Park Square) Rain Date Oct 15th.
2:00p **Historic Residential Walking Tour** (Meet
at Logan Chamber)

Sun, Oct. 8th CONT...

6:30p **Community Singing** (Crossland Community
Church, Russellville.)

Mon, Oct. 9th

10:00a **Genealogical Society's Historic Jail Tour**
(W. 4th 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. 10th

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. 11th

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

Thurs, Oct. 12th

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 13th

Red River Meeting House Primitive Revival
and Rendezvous (3008 Schochoh Rd/Hwy 663)
7:00a **Tobacco Judging** (Russellville Park Square)

Fri, Oct 13th CONT...

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** (4th St. Theater) until 3:00 pm.
6:00p **Red River Square Dancers** (Sportsman's
Club Lodge) until 9:00 pm.

Sat, Oct 14th

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**
(6th & Main St. at Old Southern Deposit Bank)
10:30a ***Festival Parade** (S. Main to West 4th St.)
11:30a **FREE Horse & Carriage Rides** (S. Main &
W. 5th St.) until 5:30 pm.
12:00p **Kid's Bounce Zone**, Arm Bands \$10 (E. 4th 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.