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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

2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 27 – Oct. 13, 2018

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



The Logan County Chamber of Commerce Presents...

Our 62nd Annual Logan County Tobacco & Heritage Festival

2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Champion Petfoods
World's Best Petfood



Thurs, Sept. 27th

7:00 pm ***Tobacco & Heritage Festival Queen's Pageant** deGraffenried Auditorium, RHS.

Fri, Sept. 28th

4:00 pm ***Russellville Arts Council Art Contest Submittals** Deadline, RHS Office. (See Applications for Info.)

Sat, Sept. 29th

8:00 am **Logan's 225th Century & Bike Ride** - Dripping Spring Baptist Church, Olmstead.

9:00 am ***Little Mr. & Miss Pageant** - deGraffenried Auditorium, RHS.

1:00 pm **Road Rally** - Historic Courthouse, W. 4th St.

5-9:00p **Logan County Wine & Food Festival** Auburn Square, Corner of Main & Spring St.

Fri, Oct. 5th

11:00 am **Logan County African American History from the Civil War to the Present** - 6th & Morgan St.

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6:30 pm ***Logan Co. Senior Citizens Womanless Beauty Pageant** - Historic Courthouse, W. 4th St.

Sat, Oct. 6th

8:00 am **Jesse James 5K Run/Walk** - Russellville Recreation Center (Registration begins 6:30am).

2:00 pm **First Baptist Church Leonard Page Service w/ SAR Presentation & More** - Graveside, 7110 Clarksville Rd.

2-4 pm **Hometown History Day** "History of Barrow Farm" 2059 Taylor Barrow Rd., Auburn

6-10 pm **Hope Starts at Home Festival Celebration, ACS Relay for Life Event** - Ag Arena, 255 John Paul Ave.

Sun, Oct. 7th

10am-5p ****Thunder on the Square** Car Show - Carrico Park Square, Russellville. (Rain Date Oct 14th)

Sun, Oct. 7th CONT...

2:00 pm **Historic Residential Walking Tour** - Meet at Logan Chamber.

6:30 pm **Community Singing** - Russellville High School Gym

Mon, Oct. 8th

10:00 am **Genealogical Society's Historic Jail Tour** - 278 W. 4th Street, Old Jail, Russellville.

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5-7 pm **Emergency Services Awareness Event** - Russellville City Fire Department.

Tues, Oct. 9th

10:45 am ***Taster's Luncheon** - Methodist Temple.

2:00 pm **Historic Residential Virtual Walking Tour** - Held at the Logan County Chamber office.

5:30 pm ***Cemetery Tour** - Maple Grove Cemetery, 9th & Main.

5:30 pm **First Baptist Church** - Community-Wide Celebration

6:00 pm **"Blessing of the Animals", "Pet Show & Fair"** - Ag Extension Complex. (Registration begins at 5 pm.)

Wed, Oct. 10th

10:30a-1 **4-H Fall Grill Luncheon** - Ext. Office.

Thurs, Oct. 11th

8:30 am **Community Health Fair** - Southern Heights Legacy Center until 11:30 am.

2:00 pm **Historic Business Walking Tour** - Meet at Chamber.

5:30 pm ***Cemetery Tour** - Maple Grove Cemetery, 9th & Main.

7:00 pm ***Cemetery Night Tour** - Maple Grove Cemetery.

Fri, Oct 12th

Red River Meeting House Primitive Camp Mtg and Rendezvous (Thru Sun 14th) Call 270-586-7632!

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

Fri, Oct 12th CONT...

7:00a **Tobacco Judging** - Russellville Park Square

10:00a **Senior Stroll - 1 Mile Walk** - Meet at Chamber

10:30a **Kid's Event** - Logan County Public Library

1-3pm **Trolley Rides** - Meet at the 4th St. Theater

5:00p **Russellville Alumni Meet & Greet** - RHS Lobby

6-9pm **Red River Square Dancers** - Sportsman's Club Lodge, Russellville City/County Park

Sat, Oct 13th

6-10am **Rotary Pancake Breakfast** - First Baptist Church, 277 S. Main St., Russellville.

9a-4p ***Craft Show & Flea Market** - Historic Courthouse & BB&T Parking Lot

9a-4p ***Non-Profit, Information & Advertising Vendors** - Russellville Park Square & W. 4th St.

9a-4p ***Concessions Vendors** - Russellville Park Square

9:30a **Jesse James Bank Robbery Reenactment** - 6th & Main St. at Old Southern Deposit Bank.

10:30a ***Festival Parade** - S. Main, Square, to West 4th St.

12-4p **FREE Horse & Carriage Rides** - Corner of S. Main & W. 5th St. (Courtesy of Champion Petfoods!)

12-4p **Kid's Bounce Zone, Arm Bands \$10** - E. 4th St. near Old Theatre.

12:30p **Karaoke Contest** with Clay Bilyeu

2:00p **Russellville vs. Fulton City Pilots** at Rhea Stadium

2:40p **Line Dancing** until 3:00 pm.

3:30p **James Sayne Band**

5-8p **Summers, Kirby & Sanders Festival Finale Featuring "Dizzorderly Conduct"**

Sun, Oct 14th

10:00a **First Baptist Church 200th Celebration**

2-6p **Historic Homes Tours** - Multiple Locations (Start at O'Bannon House or McCutchen Meadows for Tickets.)