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Welcome to the 33rd Duluth Fall Festival

We are truly honored to serve as Co-Chairpersons of the 2015 Duluth Fall Festival. Each year, we are amazed at the community spirit and excitement that comes alive in Duluth during the Festival. With our 50 specialized committees, we work hard to make the Duluth Fall Festival the best-in-class and worthy of our many awards.

Unlike other communities that use professional management, our Festival is put on each year by more than 400 amazing and dedicated volunteers. The sole purpose of the Duluth Fall Festival and our volunteers is to make Duluth a better place to live.

Over the past 32 years, we have made significant

contributions towards that goal. All you have to do is stroll through Duluth to observe the completed and in-progress changes to our Historic Downtown. Welcome to Duluth. We hope that you enjoy your time here!

*Sheldon Greenwald
Wayne Herman
2015 Co-Chairpersons*



About the Cover

Since 1985, all tabloid covers have featured Duluth or fall-themed artwork created by a local artist. This year's cover was created by lifelong Duluth resident Ann Parsons Odum. Over the years, Ann's paintings have been used many times. Ann will be selling her book on Duluth History, featuring her Duluth paintings, at the Festival General Store with proceeds going to the Festival.



Grand Marshal: Chuck Smith



Grand Marshal of the Parade is former Atlanta Falcon, Chuck Smith. Smith was selected by the Falcons in the second round of the 1992 NFL Draft. From 1992 to 1999, Smith established himself as an All-Pro defensive end and led the Falcons to Super Bowl XXXIII. In 2000, Smith left Atlanta to join the Carolina Panthers. He ended his career there after one season following multiple surgeries on his right knee. After retiring from football, Smith worked as a radio host with WVEE

(V-103) in Atlanta and as a personal trainer for other football players. He is also a speaker/advocate with the Gwinnett Medical Center concussion department and a member of the Gwinnett Medical Center Foundation Board of Directors.

Honorary Grand Marshal: Billy Boles



First Honorary Grand Marshal of the Parade is World War II veteran and Duluth native, William (Billy) Jasper Boles. Billy was born in Duluth on December 1, 1923. At 16, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. After several years in the National Guard, he was deployed to Europe during World War

II. In 1944, Billy fought in the "Battle of the Bulge" where he was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic service. Later, he was awarded a second Bronze Star.

After a long, grueling battle, Billy was captured by the Germans and sent to a POW camp near Dresden, Germany where he was held for five months, and earned a Prisoner of War Medal. He and several other soldiers miraculously escaped, and eventually, Billy returned to Duluth. He didn't receive his medals until 45 years later at special ceremony in 1989. Billy and his wife had three daughters. After 56 years with Latex Construction Company, Billy retired but still resides in Duluth. Billy will soon celebrate his 92nd birthday.

Honorary Grand Marshal: Duluth High School Boys Soccer Team

Second Honorary Grand Marshal of the Parade is the Duluth High School Boys Soccer team. With a record of 21-2, the team earned the 2015 6A State Championship title. The team effort, school spirit and community support made for a spectacular Soccer season. The Wildcats were led by captains: senior Carlos De LaRosa and junior Jose Linares. The year's accomplishments were many, including De LaRosa and Alexander Garuba achieving All County honors. Coaches Adel Mohsen and Angel Adame are anticipating great things for the 2016 season with fourteen returning champions.



PARADE

The Duluth Fall Festival kicks off with a parade at 10 a.m. Saturday morning. It is the largest parade in Gwinnett County (with about 3,000 participants), so come early to get a good spot! Once settled, get ready to

celebrate the wonderful people, schools, organizations, and businesses that make Duluth everybody's perfect hometown. The Parade also includes classic cars, award-winning marching bands

and orchestras, martial arts, scouts, and, once again, Santa Claus! Kids, be sure to bring bags to catch candy thrown along the route.

To get a good spot and avoid traffic, take the shuttle, and arrive by 9:30

a.m. Shuttle stops can be found on our website at: www.duluthfallfestival.org

Parade Route

The Parade starts on Main Street (below the Monarch School), continues through

Downtown Duluth following Highway 120, and turns south and Buford Highway, ending beyond BB&T Bank.



About the Duluth Fall Festival

The Duluth Fall Festival celebrates its 33rd anniversary this year. From its humble beginning in 1983, the Festival has grown and changed immensely. The following list shows examples of the growth:

- Committees have grown from 4 to more than 50
- Volunteers have increased from 25 to almost 400
- Arts & Crafts and Food booths have grown from 40 to more than 350
- Attendance has grown from handful of people to more than 80,000

In the early days of the Duluth Fall Festival, any vendors who applied were accepted — we were just happy to have them! Each year, more and more Arts and Crafts vendors applied, leaving no room for commercial businesses.

In 1997, a volunteer suggested that we develop a Sponsor program to allow a business to participate in the Festival by paying a higher booth fee. Thus, our Sponsor program was born, enabling the Festival to raise more money for projects! Since then, several levels of sponsorship have been developed, with the perks increasing at each level. Now, 140+ sponsors, donate from \$250 to \$15,000 each, for an average total of around \$150,000.

Today, the Duluth Fall Festival is one of the most successful festivals in the southeast, and, one of the few festivals of this size in the country that is run completely by volunteers.

Festival Mission

All Festival proceeds go toward the beautification and improvement of Downtown Duluth. The Festival has spearheaded numerous special projects, including purchasing and developing Taylor Park, paving and landscaping the Festival Courtyard, helping with "Parsons Alley," increasing the size of the public restrooms, installing the Eastern Continental Divide Monument, renovating the Festival Center, donating to Red Clay Theatre, and much more. By far, the largest Festival undertaking was building the Duluth Festival Center Amphitheatre, a complementary addition to the city's Town Green.

During the last 32 years, the Festival has donated more than two million dollars to Downtown Duluth for this purpose. We appreciate and say "Thank You" to all of our sponsors, who have been most instrumental in making this possible.

Festival Project List

- 1983 to present — Landscaping, Trees, Shrubs, Planters, Brick sidewalks, Lantern Posts - Building renovations, Concerts, New Year's Eve Celebration, Duluth Christmas tree & Lighting Ceremony, and so on.
- 1996 — Purchased Taylor Park with the City as a Partner
- 2000 — Built Festival Center with money borrowed from the City
- 2006 — Bricked and Landscaped Festival Center Courtyard: \$125,000

- 2008 — Added extra restrooms to Taylor Park: \$40,000
- 2009 — Installed Sponsor Board and Park Entrance: \$20,000
Installed Plantation Shutters in Festival Center: \$20,000
- 2011 — Erected Eastern Continental Divide Monument: \$11,000
- 2012 — Paid off Debt from Festival Center to City: \$1,300,000
- 2013 — Donated Funds to Red Clay Theatre: \$35,000
Installed Hardwood floors in Festival Center: \$25,000
- 2014 — Paved and Landscaped City Parking Lot: \$25,000
Remodeled Festival Center: \$30,000
- 2015 — Big Presentation at Festival Concert Sept. 12!

Community Fellowship

Fellowship is another important goal of the Festival. The Festival organization sponsors many events throughout the year to establish life-long friendships and community connections. Activities include: monthly meetings, Festival Nights Out, downtown work days, a Summer Rally, an annual cookout, the Taste of Duluth, a community luncheon (for sponsors, volunteers, city workers, first responders, and others), a community Christmas Tree lighting and more.

If you are interested in volunteering with the Festival, visit our website at www.duluthfallfestival.org, contact the Membership committee at dffMembership@gmail.com, or see any volunteer.

Changes in Downtown

by Chris McGahee

Veteran Fall Festival patrons will notice big changes in downtown Duluth this year. The most visible change will be on the Old City Hall Block that once housed the Parson's retail and warehouse complex. The colonial style retail storefronts, the warehouse complex, and the administrative portion of old City Hall have been removed to make way for 42,000 square feet of restaurant and retail space. The Pastorium and Sanctuary will be adaptively reused as restaurant space. Dreamland BBQ Restaurant will be the first building under construction on the site. The 6,500 foot facility will feature a two-stack wood burning pit and will be sited on a new outdoor West Lawrenceville-facing Plaza to be constructed simultaneously. Both projects will be completed in six months.

Also visible is a complete reworking of the downtown sidewalk system and parking area in front of the old Main Street storefronts. The parking is parallel and the sidewalks are wide to accommodate outdoor activities. Rounding out the flurry of construction are transportation projects which will result in a traffic signal at the three-way stop on Main Street. These improvements will continue to help make Duluth Fall Festival a vital event for you and your family for years to come.



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The Duluth Fall Festival has gone social! To help you locate vendors and other Festival destinations, download the newly enhanced Duluth Fall Festival "App" to your mobile device. The push notifications feature will keep you up-to-date on the latest Festival news and happenings.

While you are online, connect to Festival activities through our social media sites on FaceBook, LinkedIn, Instagram, and Twitter. We encourage you to "Like," "Follow,"

and "Share" our postings.

The Festival "App" is available from the iTunes store or from the Duluth Fall Festival website www.duluthfallfestival.org.

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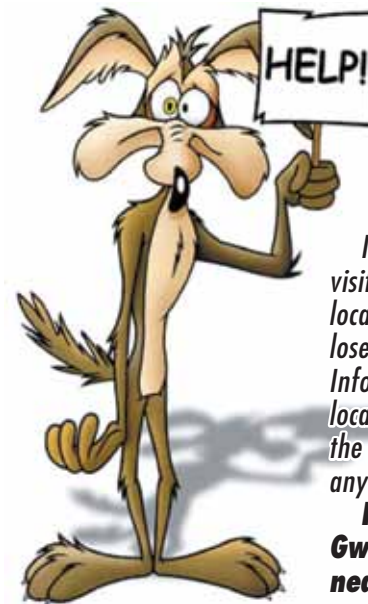
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friends to show them all of the fun that you are having at the Duluth Fall Festival.

Gazebo Rest Area

Due to new-building construction in Historic Downtown Duluth, the Gazebo Entertainment stage is on hiatus this year. But don't worry, the Gazebo area won't be vacant. We have turned this into a rest area where Festival-goers can sit down and relax, or eat and drink. When you run out of steam and need to take a break from the hustle and bustle of the Festival, stop by our new Gazebo area to cool off in the shade.

GETTING HELP OR FIRST AID



If you need help while you are visiting the Festival, need assistance locating a specific vendor, or if you lose an item (or a child), stop by the Information, Lost, & Found booth located on Main Street in front of the General Store. You can also ask any volunteer for assistance.

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Wash it all down with lemonade, cream soda, or a slush or milkshake. Sweets include funnel cakes, apple dumplings, and snow cones. Don't forget to snack on some kettle corn while you browse.

About the Festival T-Shirt and Concert

Each year, the Festival T-shirt color is a surprise. This year, the color of the shirt was selected by a vote of the Festival volunteers, but kept secret until the unveiling at the Festival Concert on September 12th. Rupert's Orchestra, was back again this year due to popular demand.

In 1985, the first official T-shirts were donated by Tom Martin of Citizen's Bank. They are still a much sought-after item, and many sponsors join the Festival ranks just to get their names on the back of the shirt.



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Highway, Duluth. At 7:40 a.m., Sugarloaf Jazzercise will warm you up. Then, promptly at 8:00 a.m., the race begins. The course leads you through Historic Downtown Duluth, and returns you to the Festival

Center. While you await the race results, you can enjoy complimentary refreshments. First place awards are presented to men and women competing in 15 different age groups from age 10 (and under) through ages 75 (and over).

Georgia. Learn more about the race, events, the beneficiary, & our sponsors by visiting the race website:

www.duluthdonutdash5k.org

Registration fees: \$25 until September 16, then \$30 until September 26, and \$35 on September 27 (the day of the race).

Important: To guarantee that you get a T-shirt, you must pre-register. To pre-register online, go to the Festival website:

www.duluthfallfestival.org/5k-road-race.html

The Festival 5K Donut Dash is USA Track & Field (USATF)-certified as a qualifier for the Peachtree Road Race. The recipient of all proceeds is the Methodist Children's Home, which works with children in Foster care across North



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ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, September 26, 2015			
From	To	Performer	Description
FESTIVAL CENTER STAGE			
11:15	12:15	Opening Ceremony	Recognition of local dignitaries.
12:20	12:25	Wildcat Cheerleaders	Duluth High School cheerleaders.
12:30	1:00	Mark Pitt	Tribute to Elvis show.
1:15	2:00	Business Casual	Three-piece band that plays classic rock, funk, R&B, and blues.
2:15	3:00	Maggie Clement Band	Five-piece classic rock band with four-part harmonies covering Heart, Journey, Stevie Ray Vaughn, Sheryl Crow, Little Big Town, and lots more.
3:15	4:00	The Clayborns	Local band feature hits from Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry, The Beatles, Jimmy Buffett, and many more.
4:15	5:00	Cindy Brown Dancers	Dance art troupe from Duluth.
5:15	6:00	Clear Redemption	Local band featuring a blend of Rock & Roll classics from the 70s to now.
CALABOOSE STAGE			
1:00	1:45	Kate Wright and the Threadbare Skivvies	Folk and Americana music.
2:00	6:00	Various Acts	Continuous music all weekend featuring acts such as Randy Garcia, Ben Provencal, and Snoot and other talented and wonderful musicians.
STREET PERFORMERS			
12:00	6:00	Kevin Pittman	Puppeteer Kevin Pittman and His Forest Friends.

SUNDAY, September 27, 2015			
From	To	Performer	Description
FESTIVAL CENTER STAGE			
7:40	7:55	Sugarloaf Jazzercise	Warm-up for the Road Race with Marbry Lee of Sugarloaf Jazzercise.
8:00	9:30	Duluth Donut Dash 5K Road Race	5K Road Race through Duluth.
10:00	11:30	Duluth First United Methodist Church	Christian non-denominational church service.
12:00	12:45	Full Circle	Christian rock band with roots in southern rock.
1:00	1:45	Careless Souls	Classic Rock with a modern edge.
2:00	2:45	Dance Theatre	An elite group of dancers.
3:00	3:45	School of Rock	John's Creek band covering classic rock artists such as The Beatles, Led Zeppelin, Guns and Roses, Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, The Eagles, Pink Floyd, Ozzy Osbourne and Jimi Hendrix.
4:00	4:45	Ballet Mexicano de Lupita Sosa	Mexican dance troupe merging the past and present.
CALABOOSE STAGE			
12:00	2:00	Various Acts	Continuous music all weekend featuring acts such as Randy Garcia and Snoot and other talented and wonderful musicians.
2:00	2:45	ESOEBO	Chuck McDowell and Gail Burnett with Eclectic Selections Of Everything But Opera (ESOEBO)--roots/Americana/Hillbilly/Rockabilly/Jazz/Blues/Country....just no Opera.
3:00	5:00	Various Acts	Continuous music all weekend featuring acts such as Randy Garcia, Ben Provencal, and Snoot and other talented and wonderful musicians.
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- California Dreaming
- Costco Wholesale
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- Dreamland BBQ
- Duluth Rexall Grill
- Kurt's Euro Bistro
- Mavericks Cantina
- Marlow's Tavern
- Park Café
- Payne-Corley House
- Pure Taqueria
- Steverino's
- Sugo Kitchen
- The Cottage On Main
- The Patio

Beverage Retailers

- Duluth Wine, Beer, and Spirits Superstore
- Eagle Rock Distributing Company
- Sweetwater Package
- The Best of Brews
- World Beverage

Floral Arrangements

- Nature's Elegance – Connie Holmes



Carnival & Kid's Korner

Kids of all ages can find a variety of amusements in the Festival's Carnival and Kid's Korner (Main Street, across from City Hall). For the younger kids, there will be all sorts of inflatables, including slides and "bounce" houses, plus other activities geared to them.

The carnival opens pre-Festival, Thursday and Friday, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and continues Saturday and Sunday until the end of the Festival.

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Gold Medal Shows hosts a family-oriented carnival, with a variety of rides and games. Take a ride on the Ferris wheel to get a bird's eye view of the Festival and Duluth skyline. Other exciting rides include the Orient Express, the Dizzy Dragon, Rio Grande train, swings and much more.



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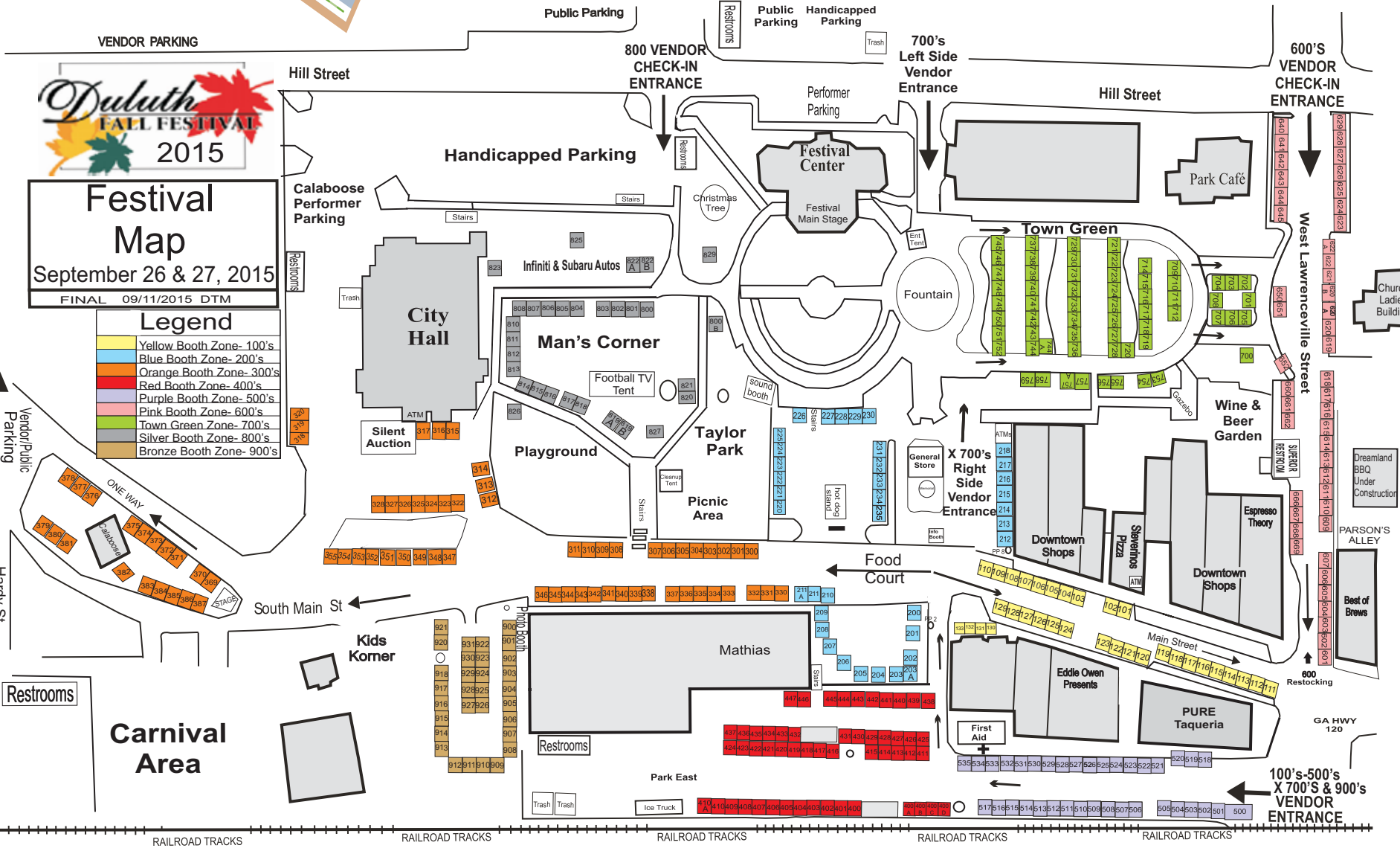
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Hours	
Saturday	8:00am - 8:00pm
*Service is suspended from 9:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. during the Parade.	
Sunday	9:00am - 6:00pm

Locations

SHUTTLE PICKUP LOTS			
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- Contemporary Worship
in the Grand Hall: 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Worship (grades K-5):
9:30 a.m. in the Youth Center
- Childcare provided during all services.
- Sunday Night Youth: 5:30 p.m.
in the Youth Center

Wednesday Evening Programs:

- Dinner at 5 p.m. with Bible Studies and Ministries for
Children, Youth and Adults until 7:00 p.m.
- Foundations of Faith
(for kids ages 3 - 5th grade): 6:00 p.m.
- Youth Group Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.
- Parents Fellowship Group: 6:00 p.m.
- Adult Bible Study Classes: 6:00 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:15 p.m.

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Festival Parade	10:00
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Opening Ceremony	11:30
Entertainment	12:30-6:30

Sunday, Sept. 27th

Road Race	8:00
Booths	9:00-5:00
Worship on the Green	10:00
Entertainment	12:00-5:00

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