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#### **CLAY HEALTH DAY**

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# MONDAY

#### MANIC MONDAY

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# TUESDAY

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This year marks the 35th anniversary. This year's theme for the 2021 Clay County Agricultural Fair is What a ride! The Fair strives to be the showcase for Clay County's agricultural, educational, civic and commercial interest. It provides an opportunity for citizens to work and have fun together. Volunteers are the lifeblood of the fair. Their dedicated support of sharing time and talents is vital to the fair's success.

After gate admission, most exhibits and attractions are FREE. Exhibit buildings are used for commercial, non-profit and competitive exhibits.

#### **COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS**

Clay County residents are encouraged to enter their competitive exhibits to show their talents with the possibility of winning money and ribbons. Complete details are listed under PARTICIPATE at claycountyfair.org.

#### THE MIDWAY

Midway Rides are available from Deggeller Attractions. They have provided midway entertainment for the fair since its inception. The midway features over 40 rides for young and old alike. Check out our daily deals for discount ride armbands.

#### MAIN STAGE

Main Stage entertainment is located in the Cattlemen's Arena. Special entertainment is featured almost daily during the fair. Top national acts perform in this huge facility. All entertainment is FREE, however reserved seating is available for a small charge and can be done on-line.

#### T-MOBILE COMMUNITY STAGE

The T-Mobile Community Stage is located east of Founders Exhibit Building No. 1. Entertainment and contests are held each

day of the fair. Local talent performs in a relaxed atmosphere. Tables & shade are provided so guests can enjoy the fair food and entertainment at the same time.

#### THE E-ZONE

In 2019 this area was named The E-Zone. With shows like Ready, Set, Grow and Agri Puppets, The E-Zone focuses on creating educated entertainment and an engaging experience. Guests will find fan favorites like Roasaires Royals pig races, and the internationally acclaimed professional Frisbee dog touring show Disc-Connected K-9's World Famous Frisbee Dogs.

#### **AG-TAINMENT STAGE**

The Ag-Tainment Stage is located in the front of the Livestock Barn. Entertainment is held each day of the fair. Ground Acts and local talent performs in a relaxed atmosphere. Tables are provided so guests can enjoy the fair food and entertainment at the same time.

#### **EARLY FLORIDA VILLAGE**

The Early Florida Village is a unique opportunity to step back in time to see Clay County life in the years past. During the fair each exhibit is live with demonstrators dressed in the era to provide guests with a live experience of how life was in Early Florida. Food samples, shade trees and sitting areas make the live history experience a real enjoyable treat. This is also home to our Little Red Barn, which features livestock!

Livestock is the foundation of the fair. Livestock exhibits provide everyone the opportunity to experience our true agriculture roots.... after all, this is an agricultural fair. Today many guests have not had the opportunity to see farm life that's so important to our American way of life. Agriculture is our lifeline for our food supply. Come check out our barn to learn and see!

We hope your experience at the fair is pleasant and educational. We hope that you come several times during the 11 day fair. Our goal when you leave is to hear you say,

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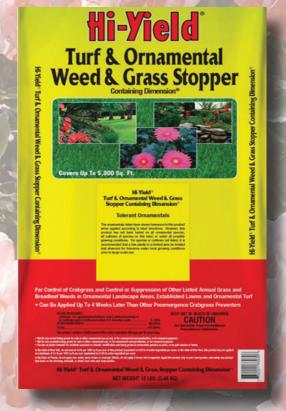
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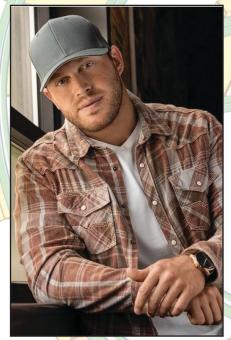
**Standing Room Only: \$20** 

Reserved Seating: \$25-\$45

**Time:** 7 p.m.

#### JON LANGSTON

Jon Langston grew up in Loganville, Georgia, listening to music by his heroes Alan Jackson and the Eagles. He played football, eventually earning a Division 1 college football scholarship. Jon loved football, but after his sixth concussion left him blind for 15 minutes, his football career ended abruptly. So, he picked up his guitar which he hadn't touched since the eighth grade and re-taught himself how to play. His songwriting eventually led to the 2013 release of self-penned, "Forever Girl," the first song he ever wrote. That release kicked off his music career which has culminated in sold out shows across the country and over 500 million career streams. Jon's debut major label single, "When It Comes To Loving You" reached No. 1 on the all-genre iTunes Chart. His most recent single, "Now You Know" reached the Top 30 on the radio charts.



Jon Langston

#### **TENILLE ARTS**

Born and raised in the small prairie town of Weyburn, Saskatchewan, Tenille Arts picked up the guitar and penned her first sone at 13 and has been performing across the United

States and Canada since Tenille released an extended play and full-length album, and her music has been tallied more than 31 million streams. Rolling Stone named Tenille one of their "10 New Country Artists You Need To Know," calling her "An edgy, fearless-ear Taylor Swift with crystalline vocals; ideal for hopeless romantics who are fire signs." Tenille's second album, Love, Heartbreak & Everything In Between now is out, featuring singles, "Somebody Like That,"<mark>"I Hate This" a</mark>nd "Call Yo<mark>u Name</mark>s."

Tenille Arts

#### Friday, April 2

**Admission:** Free

**Standing Room Only:** \$20

**Reserved Seating:** \$25-\$35

VIP: Sold out **Time:** 7 p.m.

#### **DUVAL COUNTY LINE**

The band from Middleburg plays a variety of styles, from hybrid Blues to rock. They are the perfect combination of talent, energy and experience, playing everything from Stevie Ray Vaughn and Jimi Hendrix, to ZZ Top and Led

#### THE CURT TOWNE BAND

The Curt Towne Band formed on the westside of Jacksonville, FL. in January of 2013 and has been dedicated to writing and performing original music since the beginning. Soon after the band formed, they recorded an EP at Martell Studios, which included "Whatcha Gonna Do," a fierce, foot stomping hard driving anthem that lets you know Southern Rock is still alive and well! Their first full CD All or Nothin was released soon after, and along with

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Duval County Line The Curt Towne Ba

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Whatcha Gonna Do", the album included fan favorites "All or Nothin", "Train (of Life)", and "Breakin' Hearts Again." Curt lives in Green Cove Springs and the band have been privileged with performing with and supporting the iconic bands of Lynyrd Skynyrd, Molly Hatchet, Blackberry Smoke, Van Zant, Montgomery Gentry, The Outlaws, Don Felder of the Eagles, Atlanta Rhythm Section and Black Stone Cherry just to name a few.



#### **38 SPECIAL**

After more than three decades together, 38 SPECIAL continues to bring their signature blast of Southern Rock to more than 100 cities a year. And at each and every show, thousands of audience members are amazed by the explosive power of the band's performance. Their many Gold and Platinum album awards stand in testament to the endurance of a legendary powerhouse. With sales in excess of 20 million, most associate the band with their arena-rock pop smashes, "Hold On Loosely,""Rockin'Into the Night,""Caught Up in You,""Fantasy Girl,""If I'd Been the One," "Back Where You Belong,""Chain Lightnin," "Second Chance," and more – timeless hits that remain a staple at radio, immediately recognizable from the first opening chord, and paving the way to their present-day touring regimen. It is that steely determination that lives on in the hearts of these "Wild-Eyed Southern Boys."

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- **The amenities include:** Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 Meet n Greets will not be happening for 2021.
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#### Saturday, April 3

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**Standing Room Only:** \$20

**Reserved Seating:** \$25-\$35

VIP: Sold out. **Time:** 7 p.m.

#### MITCHELL TENPENNY

On the heels of his Platinum-certified No. 1 single, "Drunk Me," comes Mitchell Tenpenny's major label debut album, Telling All My Secrets. Revealing a wide range of influences and a level of assurance and confidence that comes from alre<mark>ady having y</mark>ears of s<mark>ongwritin</mark>g and touring behind him, the record marks the arrival of an artist recently singled out recently singled out as one of Pandora's Artists to Watch in 201<mark>9, MusicRow's Next Big Thing ho</mark>norees, and The Tennessean's Next Nashville Stars for 2019. Of course, these predictions aren't all that bold, since "Drunk Me" has earned more than 170 million on-demand streams and surpassed one million certifiable units in the U.S.

#### SCOTTY MCCREERY

Scotty McCreery won the 10th season of American Idol on May 25, 2011. His debut studio album, Clear as Day, was released five months later and was certified platinum in the United States. The album includes the top



Mitchell Tenpenny

20 country songs, "I Love You This Big" and "The Trouble with Girls". McCreery released a Christmas album, Christmas with Scotty McCreery, in October 2012 and <mark>it has been ce</mark>rtified gold<mark>.</mark> He released his third album, See You Tonight, in October 2013. The first single from the album, also called "See You Tonight", became his first song to reach the top ten on Billboard's Country charts. Setting a new record in July 2017



Scotty Mccreery

with his single "Five More Minutes",[4] McCreery became the only country music artist in Country Aircheck/Mediabase history to chart a song without the backing of a record label; it topped Billboard in February 2018. His most recent album, Seasons Change, was released in March 2018 which became McCreery's fourth top 10 album in the United States.

#### Sunday, April 4

Admission: Free

Standing Room Only: \$20

**Reserved Seating:** \$25-\$35

**VIP:** \$60

**Time:** 7 p.m.

#### PAM TILLIS

With a gold and platinum string of highly prolific albums, Pam Tillis has been a formidable force in country music since her first Arista Records release back in 1990, when she paved the way for a new breed of female vocalists to follow. The daughter of country star Mel Tillis incredible career boasts six No. 1 and 17 Top 10 hits, in addition to a Grammy Award and two CMA Awards including "Female Vocalist of the Year." The first artist inducted into the Grand 'Ole Opry in the new millennium, Pam also starred on Broadway to rave reviews in the musical "Smok<mark>ey Joe's Cafe." She</mark> is, <mark>after</mark> all, a superstar as well as a survivor. A child of Music City royalty and a former rebel, she was determined to find her own way as a singer and songwriter - and she succeeded. A CMA Female Vocalist of the Year, she has written songs for some of the top singers in and beyond Nashville, including more than a few of her own hits.



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## JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY

John Michael Montgomery has turned an uncanny ability to relate to fans into one of country music's most storied careers. Behind the string of hit records, the roomful of awards and the critical and fan accolades that have defined his phenomenal success lies a connection that goes beyond his undeniable talent and his proven knack for picking hits. Since the days when "Life's A Dance" turned him from an unknown artist into a national star, John Michael's rich baritone has carried that most important of assets – believability. Songs like "I Swear," "I Love the Way You Love Me" and "I Can Love You Like That" still resonate across the landscape. It is apparent in the 2004 hit "Letters From Home," one of the most moving tributes to the connection between soldiers and their families ever recorded, and in "The Little Girl," a tale of redemption that plumbs both the harrowing and the uplifting. It is apparent even in the pure fun that has always found its way into John Michael's repertoire – songs like "Be My Baby Tonight" and "Sold (The Grundy County Auction Incident)," where John Michael's vocal earnestness takes musical whimsy to another level.



John Michael Montgomery

Pam Tillis





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#### Monday, April 5

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**Standing Room Only:** \$20

**Reserved Seating:** \$25-\$45

VIP: Sold Out
Time: 7 p.m.

#### DJ BG

Originally from Pittsburgh, DJ BG has been a disc jockey since 1985. He moved to Green Cove Springs in 2009, where he quickly became one of the premier DJs in the area, including stints at Tailgaters, Whitey's Fish Camp, Saloon 17, Island Life Grill and Hurricane Grill and Wings. He created DJ BG/BG Productions Inc., and he's worked more than 100 wedding receptions.

"It is super exciting, but also humbling because they could have picked someone else," he said. "I am glad they chose me to be able to represent the Fair this year." DJ BG also is excited to work with two music industry icons – Vanilla Ice and Sir Mix-A-Lot. "I'm having a great time and I can't wait until I'm on stage," he said. "Just to be on stage with them and taking pictures with them is incredible."



DIRG



Sir Mix-A-Lot

#### SIR MIX-A-LOT

Anthony L. Ray, better known by his stage name Sir Mix-a-Lot, is best known for his 1992 hit song "Baby Got Back", which peaked at No. 1 on the Billboard Hot 100. In 1991, Sir Mix-A-Lot signed to the Def American label, which also bought the rights to his first two albums, and released his third album Mack Daddy in 1992. The single Baby Got Back was a No. 1 hit that went double platinum and won the 1993 Grammy Award for Best Rap Solo Performance. MTV aired the music video for the song only after 9 p.m. because of many, many, complaints. In 1994, he released Chief Boot Knocka and the album reached No. 69 on the Billboard 200 and #28 on the Top R&B/Hip-Hop Charts. The album featured the hit single Put Em On The Glass." "Just Da Pimpin' in Me" was nominated for the Grammy Award for Best Rap Solo Performance but lost to "Let Me Ride" by Dr. Dre.

#### VANILLA ICE

Robert Matthew Van Winkle, known professionally as Vanilla Ice, is an American rapper, actor, and television host. Born in South Dallas, and raised in Texas and South Florida, Ice released his debut album, Hooked, in 1989 on Ichiban Records, before signing a contract with SBK Records, a record label of the EMI Group, which released a reformatted version of the album in 1990 under the title To the Extreme,



Vanilla Ice

which contained Ice's best-known hits: "Ice Ice Baby" and a cover of "Play That Funky Music". "Ice Ice Baby" was the first hip hop single to top the Billboard charts. Along with Beastie Boys, 3rd Bass, and House of Pain, Ice was one of the earliest white rappers to attain major success. Chuck D has credited Ice as a regional breakthrough, stating, He broke through in the mid-South, in a Southern area in Texas, in something that was kind of indigenous to that hip-hop culture down there. He just doesn't get credit for it.

## Office of the Clay County Property Appraiser Tracy S. Drake, CFA, CAE, ASA, RES, AAS

State-Certified General Real Estate Appraiser RZ2759

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#### Tuesday, April 6

**Admission:** Free

Standing Room Only: Sold Out

**Reserved Seating:** \$25-\$35

VIP: Sold out. Time: 7 pm

#### **JJ GREY AND MOFRO**

From the days of playing greasy local juke joints to headlining major festivals, JJ Grey remains an unfettered, blissful performer, singing with a blue-collared spirit over the bone-deep grooves of his compositions. His presence before an audience is something startling and immediate, at times a funk rave-up, other times a sort of mass-absolution for the mortal wea<mark>knesse</mark>s that make him and his audience human. When you see JJ Grey and his band Mofro live—and you truly, absolutely must – the is fearless. Onstage, Grey delivers his songs with compassion and a relentless honesty, but perhaps not until Ol'Glory has a studio record captured the fierceness and intimacy that defines a Grey live performance. "I wanted that crucial lived-in feel," Grey says of Ol'Glory, and here he hits his mark.



JJ Grey

#### Wednesday, April 7

**Admission:** Free

**Standing Room Only: \$30** 

**Reserved Seating:** \$25-\$35

**VIP:** \$40

**Time:** 7 p.m.



#### SPLIT TONE

The independent band from Jacksonville Beach features a vibrant blend of reggae, hip-hop, soul and rock.

#### **FILMORE**

A Nashville-based artist who blends pop and electronic elements with earnest country songwriting, Tyler Filmore, who performs as Filmore, rose to success in early 2018 with his breakthrough single "Slower," a summer jam that earned comparisons to the country-pop of Sam Hunt. Working under his surname, Filmore released a three-song EP in 2015, landing a hit with the track «Headlights,» which appeared on his 2016 album Proof. With his profile raised, he returned in 2017 with the smooth countrypop track «You Know You Wanna," followed in early 2018 by the breakout single "Slower," a banjo-led summer anthem with plenty of mainstream pop appeal that quickly notched millions of streams. Filmore's follow-up single, "Love That About You," took a similar approach and also fared well commercially. Additional singles arrived over the next year including "Heart's Having a Hard Time" and "Livin' Easy," all of which appeared on the 2020 full-length effort State I'm In.



Filmore



**NIKO MOON** 

Niko Moon's Good Time deserved permanent

album title. It's also a way of life for Moon, an adventurous artist, writer and musician with an

enduring optimism and a flair for challenging boundaries. That attitude is apparent in the EP,

a judiciously layered synthesis of his Georgia

roots, pairing Atlanta-bred hip-hop and ruralfed traditional country, two genres that were

considered incompatible not that long ago. Moon's relationship to both makes the crosspollination a natural one. Douglasville, Georgia,

where he spent his teens, is 30 miles due west

ink, since the phrase is more than just an

Niko Moon





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Niko Moon, Filmore & Tenille Townes



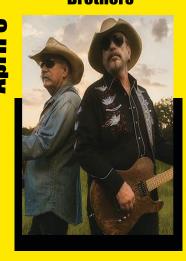
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Pam Tillis & John Michael Montgomery



Bellamy Brothers







#### **TENILLE TOWNES**

Tenille To<mark>wnes rele</mark>ased the <mark>single "Ho</mark>me Now" in 2009, a song she wrote from the perspective of a daughter whose father is posted in the war in Afghanistan, a topic she learned about in school. She released her first album, Real, in June 2011. She has raised more than \$1.9 million for Sunrise House, a shelter for homeless youth in Alberta, through her annual fundraiser, Big Hearts For Big Kids. She appeared on the national television show Canada AM in August 2011, performing her single «Real Me,» and has released multiple songs to radio. She released her second album, Light, in March 2013.

Although she started her career under her birthname, she later changed her surname to

#### Thursday, April 8

Admission: Free

**VIP:** \$30

**Time:** 2 p.m.

#### **BELLAMY BROTHERS**

Howard and David Bellamy continue to prove that the trail they've ridden to fame has been as unique as their music itself – music that is now celebrating over 40 years of success. The road that started on the pop music charts in the '70's, took a winding turn into country music in the '80's, paving the way for duos to come, such as Brooks & Dunn, Montgomery Gentry, Big & Rich and previously—The Judds. But before the road forked into country, the musical odyssey of brothers Bellamy started creatively smoldering in their home state of Florida, before exploding nationally amidst the '70's pop music culture of Los Angeles. They honed their early skills playing Black clubs throughout the south, and singing backup for artists such as Percy Sledge, Eddie Floyd and Little Anthony & The Imperials.

#### TRACTOR & TRUCK PULLS

Saturday, April 10: Tractor Pulls

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 11: Tractor Pulls & Trucks Pulls

**Time:** 1 p.m.



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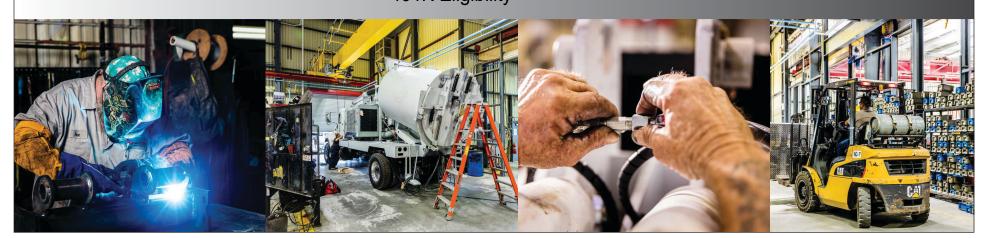
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Disc-Connected K-9's World Famous Frisbee Dogs

either abandoned, homeless, sheltered or from the humane society. Their individual stories are almost as interesting as their performances.

See calendar pages 31-33 for daily showtimes.

#### **ROSAIRE'S ROYAL PIG RACES**

Wayne Rosaire and his daughter, Pamela travel the country from their home base in Bostwick, Fla., 10 months of the year bringing their act, "Rosaire's Royal Racers" to fans at county and state fairs, private parties and festivals. Her parents started the business for themselves 25 years ago after working for another pig racing

entity for a few years. Pamela and her brother and sister grew up in the family's huge RV, lovingly called the "Porcine Palace."

The pigs – they travel with 24 pigs of different varieties – have living quarters in the lower section of the vehicle, complete with air conditioning. "It's ridiculous, it's very plush," she said. Their human counterparts have living quarters upstairs.

Rosaire was also home-schooled aboard the "Porcine Palace." She said that the traveling life of a performer is the life for her. "Even if I don't end up pig racing forever I'm definitely going to be in the entertainment industry," she

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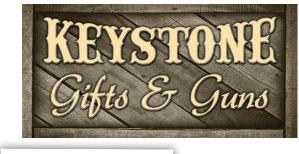
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Rosaire's Royal Racers

around the track. "They go hog wild. It's all about the people," she said. "It's a true adrenaline rush."

The pigs begin training to be racers when they're about 1 month old. The Rosaires used cream-fi lled cookies, similar to Oreos, as bait. She said the pigs are very intelligent and could "blow a dog right out of the water" in terms of trainability. "A lot of people think they're dumb and dirty, but they're very intelligent."

See calendar pages 31-33 for all showtimes.

#### **DENNIS LEE BAND**

In 1987, The Dennis Lee Show hit the entertainment scene. The Dennis Lee Show is truly a "one-of-a-kind" entertainment showcase. Dennis blends musical favorites from every genre with improvisation and audience antics. Dennis has performed the National Anthem and Canadian Anthem at numerous prestigious sporting and political events including Major League Baseball games; National Hockey League; National Harness Racing; the American Presidential Campaign; Governor's Luncheons; and Agriculture Hall of Fame Ceremonies. "Music, the thrill of performing, and making people smile is what makes me tick", Lee said. See calendar pages 23-25 for all showtimes.

#### **DENNY THE RODEO CLOWN**

In his role as a roving act Dennis Lee becomes a mime and comedian. You will find him strolling the midway as Denny the Rodeo Clown.

#### **AGRI PUPPETS**

Agri-Puppets is a fun family show that teaches the importance of farming animals and agriculture – part of the mission of the Clay County Agricultural Fair. The puppet cast offers family fun sing-a-longs, chances to identify an-



Agri Puppets



Dennis Lee Band



Dennis The Rodeo CLown

imals, popping bubbles, answering questions and more. Agri-Puppets also can be found strolling through the midway and fairgrounds when they are not on stage performing. Agri-Puppets is the name, fun is the game. Don't miss this exciting show when in your area. The show if fun for the whole family.

See calendar pages 31-33 for all showtimes.

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Max Power & NITRO

#### STAR SEARCH

All ages are welcome to participate in the Star Search talent show. This event is open to all amateur entertainers. There are two age categories to compete in: Youth 14 and under and Adult 15 and up.

Awards will be handed out for each age. In addition to a first place cash awardof \$150, winners will also receive a feature story, interview and professional photo shoot with Folio Weekly 20

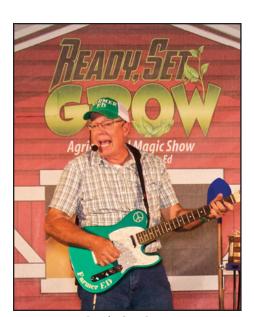
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Visit claycountyfair.org for a list of rules and to register by April 2.









The Cowboy circus

#### THE COWBOY CIRCUS

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#### **LEW-E'S COMEDY CIRCUS**

Since 2004 Lew-E has been entertaining fair goers across the United States. He has performed at some of the country's largest fairs. Lew-E's Comedy Circus is a high-energy comedy

magic and juggling show featuring Lew-E The Clown. Along with his sidekick, Oogly Boogly, Lew-E combines rib tickling comedy with audience participation to create a magical circus experience.

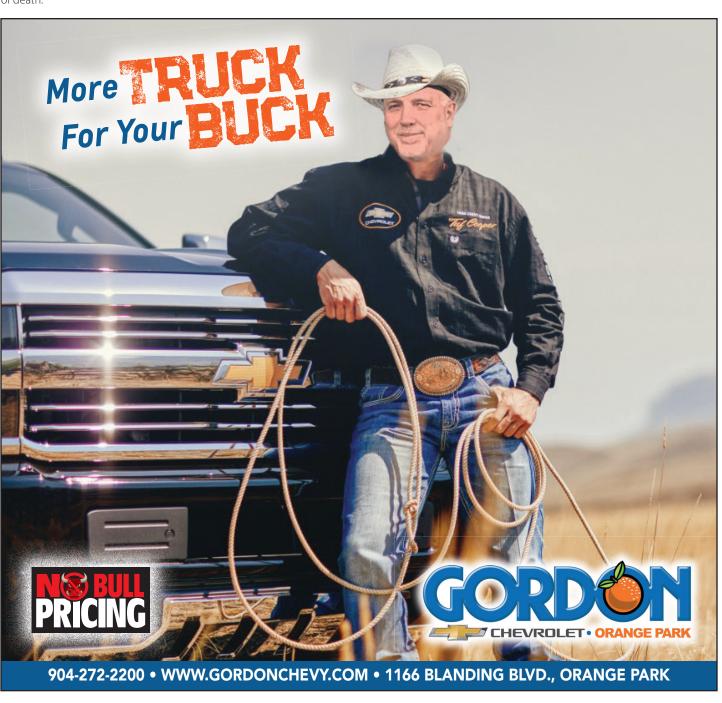


Lew-E's Comedy Circus



#### THE PLANT GUY

This is quite possibly the funniest Plant you will ever talk too. You'll really dig this guy. So say hello, and take a selfie, he's big on photosynthesis. The Plant Guy is a strolling act.





ke Finnick can remember when his children started going to the Clay County Agriculture Fair nearly 30 years ago, and those fond memories are rekindled every Spring when the fair returns.

"Now they're 30," the manager of the Green Cove Springs Winn-Dixie said. "The fair is a special part of his community. I can't tell you how many people at the store showed animals through the years there when they were younger, too. They've all gone onto bigger better things."

So has Winn-Dixie.

The grocery chain, through its parent

company Southeastern Grocers, will play a significant role in two of the 11-night run of this year's fair. Winn-Dixie is sponsoring "Manic Monday" on April 5. Store customer with a receipt dated between March 29 and April 5 will get \$3 off gate admission. It's the same day one of the fair's mostpopular concert nights featuring D.J. BG, Sir Mix-A-Lot and Vanilla Ice are scheduled to

Then on April 7, Finnick's store will donate \$1,000 worth of canned goods to the Green Cove Springs Food Pantry. Guests also can get \$5 off their gate admissions by bringing their own canned goods for the

"It makes our mission easier if we don't have to go out and buy food. Every year, we set our benchmark for the year and we said we'd never do less than our benchmark. We've always done better than the year before. Our clients get more food. It's such a boost to our volunteers to see how Clay County supports us."

- Wynema Lovell, Director Green Cove Springs Food Pantry

Finnick said he's merely continuing a longstanding personal and corporate commitment to the fair.

Winn-Dixie hosting 'Manic Monday'

and canned goods drive for

Green Cove Springs Food Pantry

"This is my town" he said

The food pantry has provided emergency food for the working poor since 1989 - to act as a stop gap in times of crisis, such as illness, injury and abandonment who live in Green Cove Springs, Penney Farms, Middleburg, Fleming Island, Clay Hill and Maxville. Last year the pantry served 8,632 clients – 5,427 adults and 3,205 children, Managing Director Wynema Lovell said.

The food pantry said Winn-Dixie's continued support not only helps keep needy residents fed, it serves as inspiration to the organization's 90 volunteers

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County supports us."

Getting thousands of can of food will help the nonprofit beat last year's record allocations

Finnick said he's eager to be part of both

"When we do Manic Monday, a lot of our women employees will be on hand at the fair," Finnick said. "On Wednesday, we will have a lot of our guys there to help with the food pantry. We're excited to play an important role again at the fair."

Nearly 78% of the pantry's food is donated, while only 12% is purchased. Lovell said the organization works with a meager 9% administrative fee.

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## Clay County Agriculture Fair committed to providing fun, keeping patrons safe

he theme for this year's Clay County
Agriculture Fair is "What a ride! 35 years!"
and that's exactly how Fair organizers will
proceed despite the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Fair will include fun, food, entertainment, rides and livestock shows for families in our area. However, visitors will be asked to follow some simple guidelines to prevent the spread of the virus.

The following procedures have been set in place to create a safe environment for our Fairgoers, volunteers, vendors and employees"

• To cut down on the amount of touch points we have with guests, we highly recommend that guests purchase their tickets on our website, claycountyfair.org. This will also allow guests to go through our Fast Pass Lane at the main gate. Guests will still be able to purchase tickets at the gates and we will still accept cash transactions.

> New training programs have been provided to volunteers and employees instructing them on how to stay safe and keep Fairgoers safe. Additional hand
>  sanitation and hand washing stations have been installed in all areas of the Fair.

Fairgoers are strongly advised to wear masks while attending the Fair, but it is not required.
 Masks will be available for free at our

Guest Services booths for those that may have left their mask at home or lost theirs coming to the Fair. We will also have neck gaiters for sale while supplies last.

- Touch-free or contactless payment options will be provided for admission and throughout the midway.
- Volunteers and midway employees who have been diagnosed or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 will be prohibited from entering the premises. Temperature checks will also be done prior to start of shifts.

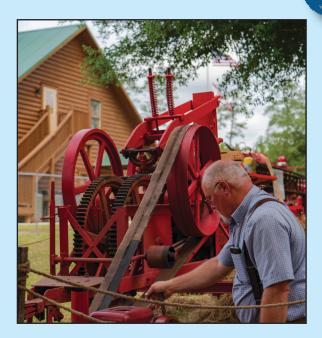
- Informative signage will be posted at entrances and throughout the Fairgrounds to remind Fairgoers to adhere to the guidelines provided by the CDC.
- Fairgoers will be advised to utilize sanitation stations before entering each ride or attraction, and before and after consuming food and drinks.
- Additional cleaning procedures have been put in place for the 2021 Fair. New procedures have been implemented to increase cleaning and sanitization frequency. Arena stadium seating and all bleachers around the grounds will be sanitized after each show.
- All rides undergo a deep cleaning and sanitizing procedure prior to opening. This process is repeated throughout the Fair. In addition, all high touch areas are sanitized at regular intervals during each days' operation.
- Some seating areas throughout the Fairgrounds are reconfigured to promote social distancing.
- Anywhere there is the potential for people to stand in a line, queuing instructions (i.e., signage) and devices shall be used to instruct patrons to maintain safe distances from one another.
- Food service areas will adhere to the guidelines set forth by the CDC for restaurants and dining services.
  - Concert seating has been spaced out and

the VIP area has been increased with a reduced number of tickets being sold in the area. Meetn-Greets have been cancelled. Food that is included in the VIP area has been changed to Grab n'Go.

The Clay County Agriculture Fair will differ from other venues in a variety of ways, including:

- It occur outdoors and most of our activities are conducted outdoors. Our concerts are in a covered, opened air arena.
- Most of the Fair's grounds entertainment for 2021 is outdoors.
  - Fairgrounds dining will occur outside.
- Exposure time between non-same household sheltering family members is somewhat limited and is completely controllable by the Fair's quests themselves.
- The Fair's buildings include several fully enclosed exhibit halls with HVAC systems.
- Based on national Fair data, nearly 90% of people who attend Fairs are made up of families who live in the same home and thus do not need to be physically distanced from each other.
- The Fair's guests freely move throughout the outdoor portion of the Fairgrounds as opposed to sitting in a single location for an extended period.





#### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

April 1 2 p.m. -7 p.m. Limited Activities

10 a.m. - 7 p.m. April 2

April 3 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

April 4 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Easter Church service 8 a.m.

April 5 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

April 6 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

April 7 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

April 8 Noon - 7 p.m.

April 9 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

April 10 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

April 11 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Church service 8 a.m.





#### EARLY FLORIDA VILLAGE REINHOLD STAGE

#### FRIDAY APRIL 2 TIME

11 a.m. Ernie Evans & Friends Headin South Noon 1 p.m. Whistler Bluegrass Mary Kate 2 p.m. Ernie Evans & Friends 3 p.m. 4 p.m. Headin South 5 p.m. Whistler Bluegrass

#### **SATURDAY APRIL 3**

Sadie Miller Clarence Canada & Classy Grass Griffin Twins Paul Drummond Band Mary Kate Gentle River Justin Mason Band Sadie Miller Mary Kate Clarence Canada & Classy Grass Mary Kate Paul Drummond Band Justin Mason Band The Hines Family Greener Grass

**SUNDAY APRIL 4** 

**SATURDAY APRIL 10** 

#### TIME THURSDAY APRIL 8

Mary Kate

Noon 1 p.m. Justin Mason Band Tracy & Jeannie Perez 2 p.m. 3 p.m. Clarence Canada & Classy Grass Justin Mason Band 4 p.m. Tracy & Jeannie Perez 5 p.m. Clarence Canada & Classy Grass 6 p.m.

#### FRIDAY APRIL 9

Sadie Miller Ernie Evans & Friends Whistler Bluegrass Gentle River Greener Grass Remedy Tree Lonesome Ride **Boatright Bluegrass** Sadie Miller Ernie Evans & Friends Whistler Bluegrass Gentle RIver Remedy Tree Greener Grass Boatright Bluegrass Lonesome Ride

#### TIME

6 p.m.

11 a.m.

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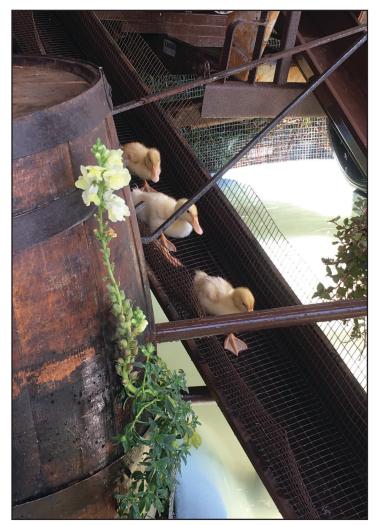
Tasha Hyder took a page out of her childhood to bring this Duck Pond to life. Hyder has fond memories of the Appalachian Fair in northeast Tennessee, and one that stuck with her was their duck pond exhibit.

"I remember as a kid, going to the fair and spending hours and watching these ducks go down the slide. I knew when I took this position, I wanted to bring my favorite childhood fair memory to this fair for other people to enjoy."

However, Hyder wanted to make this pond different. She's included extensive landscaping, including an authentic tractor that was modified to create the pond.

"Other fairs have a smaller version of it, but I wanted it to be an experience," said Hyder.

Of course, the duck pond is only a small part of the Early Florida Village exhibit. Other features include a variety of other baby animal exhibits, as well as attractions that focus on bygone days such as a working blacksmith and wooden toymaker.





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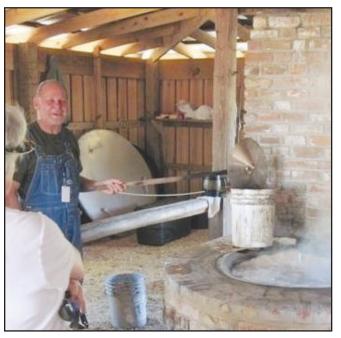
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#### THE HONEY HOUSE

In 2008, the Honey House was constructed as a replica of a typical turn-of-the-century honey extraction house. It features large shuttered windows, a high ceiling, and a large front porch for storing honey. Visitors to the exhibit can view a glass encased, living hive of honeybees and see the bees in action producing honey and caring for their young. One can search for the Queen Bee among her thousands of attendants.



#### SAW MILL (CIRCA 1940'S)

The sawmill came from Maxville and was used for cutting cypress trees.



he Livestock Shows are a way for the 4-H and FFA kids to show off their animal projects that they have been working hard on for the year. The exhibits provide everyone the opportunity to experience our true agriculture roots – after all this is an agricultural fair. Today, many guests have not had the opportunity to see farm life that's so important to our American way of life. Agriculture is our lifeline for our food supply.

We hope your experience at the fair is pleasant and educational.

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 2

6 p.m. | 4H/FFA Youth Dairy Show

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 3

10 a.m | Open Dairy Goat Show 1 p.m. | 4H/FFA Poultry Judging 4 p.m. | Unlimited Opportunities Goat Show

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 4

1 p.m. | Open Youth Rabbit Fashion Show

2 p.m. | Poultry Showmanship

3 p.m. | Rabbit showmanship

5 p.m. | 4H/FFA Youth Heifer Show

#### MONDAY, APRIL 5

7 p.m. | 4H/FFA Swine Show

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 7

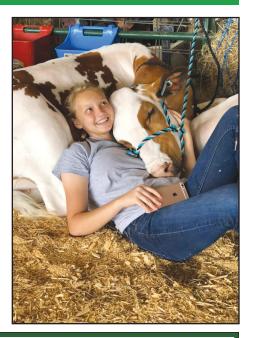
7 p.m. | 4H/FFA Steer Show

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 9

5 p.m. | Livestock Buyers Dinner and Auction 7 p.m. | 4H/FFA Steer & Swine Sale

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 10

9 a.m. | 4H/FFA Horticulture Judging & ID4H/FFA Livestock Judging



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overed in paint, cedar shavings and ribbons, Gonzo the rabbit amazed attendees at 2016 Annual Rabbit Fashion Show where he and his owner, Bianca Smith, took home first prize.

The Annual Rabbit Fashion Show returns on April 4 to the Clay COunty Agricultural Fair.

The Clay County 4-H Club, an international youth development and youth mentoring program, started the fashion show at the Clay County Agricultural Fair in 2011. The fashion show helps instill confidence in the children who participate in the event, but it also gives Clay County residents the rare opportunity to see rabbits dressed in outfits that match their

"I'm an artist, and he's also an artist," Smith said. "What we kind of did was his picture was one of me, and his picture is one of him. We actually planned for it a few weeks before, but we actually painted all this stuff last night. It took us two hours, and we also made his hat this morning. We cut two little holes to make his ears come out."

Smith's props included her and Gonzo's costumes, as well as portraits of the two of them surrounded by paintbrushes, which Gonzo would pick up with is teeth and wag around. This is her fourth year participating in the event, but not her first time winning as she also won two vears ago.

"We also have a very close bond," Smith said. "I show him at actual rabbit shows, I play with him, and just last night when I was doing all this stuff, whenever he ran out the room I just call him and he comes running right back."

The fashion show awards cash prizes for the winners anywhere from \$3 to \$40 based on the age division and every child who participated the April 3 event won something.

"The judging criteria is they have to look cute," said Stephanie Conner, 4-H agent for Clay County. "They're looking for most creative, best team theme, and best overall. They can



purchase their costumes or hand make them, so the kids that hand make them get a lot of brownie points. It's a little bit easier for the older people to handle it, but there was a lot of energy put into making her costume."

Smith participates in the 4-H Club called 'Happy Hoppers' which helps youth all there is to know about rabbits, traveling to rabbit shows and participating in events such as the rabbit fashion show.

"The kids are made to talk in front of crowds and get the experience for being in front of a crowd," Conner said. "It builds confidence, it's hard for teenage kids to get up and talk in front of crowds, so for the little ones to come up, even if it's just 'my rabbit's name is Coco' so we build confidence in a fun hands-on setting."

The Clay County 4-H Club focuses a great deal on public speaking and confidence build-

ing, but the program also offers anything from hunting classes all the way to photography lessons. The instructors work to find a place for any child's interest, Conner said.

"I've seen a lot of cute rabbits come up to the show," Conner said. "Register, it's a great thing. We need to expose it better. I know 4-H has gone out there to give an opportunity for kids this year. You don't have to be a member of 4-H to participate, so come and register."

For the 11 kids who took part in the event, Conner said, that just means that they have an entire year to plan the costume they're going to dress their rabbits up in next year, whether it's Snow White and a dwarf, or a pair of artists, such as Smith. "I won't be disappointed if I don't win," Smith said. "Because my mom keeps saying that to me. Just in case I don't win don't be all 'eh', because rabbits are awesome."





Pete Sutton hired as Fair General Manager as Joan Bazley retires.

Officials with the Clay County Agricultural Fair announced that the Florida Federation of Fairs had awarded the organization with its 10th Blue Ribbon in a row.

Gates forced to close early on the last day due to lack of parking, Fair Board takes immediate steps to authorize construction of 1,200 additional parking spaces on 28 acres of property south of the existing parking area.

Fair opened with more than 3,000 available parking spaces.

**International Association of Fairs** and Expositions honors fair with three first place awards for Early Florida Village Saw Mill, Health & Safety Program and agricultural photo.

 Inaugural Miss Clay County Agricultural Fair Scholarship pageant and Junor Miss pageant. Katie Blocker was named the first Miss Clay County Agricultural Fair, while Skylar McGlynn won Junior Miss Clay County Agricultural Fair.

• The RV Park opens.

 Attendance record set with a 3.19 percent jump. 113,591 guests.

• The 4-H/FFA Youth Livestock Program set a record sale total of \$239,137 for youth.

• Fair General Manager Pete Sutton retired and was replaced by Tasha Hyder.

2015

The Florida Festivals and Events Association showered multiple awards on the Clay County Agricultural Fair. "Fifi the Car" won first place for the 2016 Most Innovative Project award, the Fair Guide won a third place "Sunsational Award," the fair's outdoor advertising won third place and the fair won first place in the promotional item category.

2017

2016

Launched "Our Fair Cares" program aimed at making a difference in the community with such initiatives as breast cancer awareness,, supply donations, pet adoptions, food drives, scholarships and so much more.

Won two first place agriculture awards at the International Association of Fairs and Exposition's Network Conference for the Little Ren Barn and fair's partnership with the Farm City Luncheon.

Pete Sutton was recognized by the Florida Federation of Fairs.

2018

competitive exhibits – Building 2 will be used for horticulture arts, photography and home arts, while Building 3 will be home to the marketplace for vendors and games.

As a precaution to COVID-19, last year's Fair was celebrated virtually.

Fair officials have worked diligently with county health and emergency officials to make sure this year's Fair will be both enjoyable and safe.

"Our team is working hard to reduce the impact of the coronavirus on our communities while preparing for the upcoming Fair," General Manager Tasha Hyder said. "The Clay County Agricultural Fair continues to be in constant contact with county and health officials to ensure the safety of our guests. As we get closer to opening day, we want our guests to review our COVID-19 plan on our website and then evaluate their own personal health situation to make a decision that best fits their family."

One new protocol is the switch from cash ticket booths to a single-day wristband to reduce faceto-face contact. Patrons can buy general admission and midway ride wristbands and enjoy the day without continually reaching for money. Other safety protocols, along with hand sanitizing stations, will be posted throughout the complex.

The plan for the first fair started in motion in

1972 when the county purchased 28 acres off State Road 16 in Green Cove Springs after getting a sizable donation from the Paul E. Reinhold family. A year later, construction started on the arena, concession stand and restrooms.

In 1980, the Cattleman's Rodeo and Cracker Days became the first major events held at the fairgrounds. In 1982, the Clay County Fair Association was formally organized and a Charter was granted by the state.

Then in 1987, the first fair was launched from March 31-April 4.

And it's been an incredible ride since. The Federation of Fairs selected Clay County's Fair as the "Champion County Fair" in Florida in 2003. In 2012, the Fair created 3,000 extra parking spaces after being forced to close its gates a year earlier because it couldn't squeeze another car on the property.

The attendance record was shattered in 112,591 guests, only to be broken with more than 130,000

With a full slate of attractions, entertainment, livestock exhibits and vendors schedule for this year's Fair, admission certainly will live up to this year's theme - What A Ride.

For the first time in 34 years, the virtual fair was held.

> Held 8 nights of concerts. Attendance for the ten day event: 130,575

2019

 The fair hosted the inaugural Unlimited Opportunities Goat Show. Students with disabilities partnered with students involved with the 4-H Club and Future Farmers of America.

Record attendance for a single day were broken. On Saturday, March 31, 2018, 25,939 fairgoers broke the previous record of 24,303 guests which was set in 2015.

Goat Yoga was a huge hit. We had 400 participants during the 2 days. Inviting the media out to participate in goat yoga the morning of opening day proved to be a successful publicity stunt, which didn't cost a thing!

Carnival Eats was on site opening weekend to film for their upcoming season.

Clay County Fair had to be canceled. However, with some smart thinking a

Dates will begin promptly at 5 pm.

To ensure an even balance of men and women, if you do not sign in at least 15 minutes before the event starts, your spot may be given to the top name on the waiting/walk up list.

We will give each participant a welcome pack, including a name tag with your description and a date number on it plus a score card and some icebreaker questions.

Ground rules will be reviewed a few minutes before the start time. Please you do not disclose your last name, where you live or work, phone number or other personal information, and don't ask someone out on a date during the event itself. The event is should be enjoyed without pressure.

We fire things up as you get on the Ferris wheel with your speed date. You will have two Ferris Wheel circles with each date. At the end of date and you will have one minute to fill out your scorecard as to whether you would like to see that person again in the future. The men exit and enter the gondolas at each wheel turn. The process continues until everyone has met. At the end of the event your turn in your completed scorecard to the hosts. The event will last from 5-7 p.m.

After the event, we will compile the information from everyone's scorecards to determine who matches up. If two people mutually checked "YES," then that's a match. You'll receive a private e-mail within three days of the event listing the first names and email addresses or phone numbers of the people you matched with. From there, it's up to you to contact one another to learn more about each other and set up another date.

Of course, if you stick around and had a match, we will pair you up and you can attend the Split Tone/JJ Grey & Mofro concert that night with your match.

Enjoy the ride!

the event – if there are spots available.

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Fath Weather Day

Gate Opens: 2pm

Midway Opens: 3pm

Armband \$12°

Orange Park

17 & Under Free 10 am -Noon

Fair Day

Adults \$10.00 Seniors (65+) \$7.00 5 & under FREE Gate Opens: 10am -12am

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Event	Location	Starting Time	Event	Location	Starting Time
Opening Ceremony & Ribbon Cutting	Front Gate	1:50 PM	Rosaire's Royal Pig Races	The E-Zone	11:30 AM
Fun Connection Stilt Walking	Strolling - The Ezone	2:30 PM	Plant Guy	Strolling - The E-Zone	12:00 PM
Rosaire's Royal Pig Races	The E-Zone	2:45 PM	Disc-Connected K-9's	The E-Zone	12:30 PM
Mobile Glass Blowing		3:00 PM	Agri-Puppets	Ag Tainment Stage	12:30 PM
Plant Guy	Strolling - The E-Zone	3:00 PM	Fun Connection Stilt Walking	Strolling - The Ezone	1:00 PM
Agri-puppets	Ag Tainment stage	3:00PM	Cowboy Circus	The E-Zone	1:00 PM
Disc-Connected K-9's	The E-Zone	3:30 PM	Agri-Puppets	Ag Tainment Stage	1:45 PM
Ready. Set. Grow	Across from Ag Tainment Stage	3:45 PM	Plant Guv	Strolling - The E-Zone	1:45 PM
Max Power & Nitro	Strolling - The Ezone	4:00 PM	Lew-E's Comedy Circus	Community Stage - The Ezone	2:00 PM
Dennis Lee Band	Front Gate	4:00 PM	Pirates of the Colombian Caribbean Highwire	The E-Zone	2:30 PM
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Rosaire's Royal Pig Races	The E-Zone	5:15 PM	Plant Guv	Strolling - The E-Zone	3:30 PM
Middleburg Academy of Dance	The EZone	5:30 PM	Dennis Lee Band	Front Gate	4:00 PM
Ready, Set, Grow	Across from Ag Tainment Stage	6:00 PM	Lew-E's Comedy Circus	Community Stage - The Ezone	4:00 PM
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Rosaire's Royal Pig Races	The E-Zone	7:15 PM	Cowboy Circus	The E-Zone	6:45 PM
Max Power & Nitro	Strolling - The Ezone	7:15 PM	38 Special with Duval County Line	Main Stage	7:00 PM
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Prehistoric Adventures	Strolling - The Ezone	8:00 PM	Disc-Connected K-9's	The E-Zone	8:00 PM
Agri-Puppets	Ag Tainment Stage	8:15 PM	Cowboy Circus	The E-Zone	8:20 PM
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#### ONGOING SHOWS & EXHIBITS

**Mobile Glassblowing Studio** 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM The E-Zone **Kiddie Train Rides (FREE)** The E-Zone 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM **The Cowboy Circus** The E-Zone **All Day The Plant Guy** The E-Zone **All Day Fun Connection Stilt Walking** The E-Zonne **All Day** 

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#### SUNDAY, APRIL 4

#### MONDAY, APRIL 5

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 6

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7



Rosaire's Royal Pig Races

Agri-Puppets
Fun Connection Stilt Walking

Disc-Connected K-9's

Cowbov Circus

Agri-Puppets

Lew-E's Comedy Circus

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Cowboy Circus

Dennis Lee Band

Rosaire's Royal Pig Races Max Power & Nitro

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Prehistoric Adventures

Rosaire's Royal Pig Races Fun Connection Stilt Walking

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Pam Tillis with John Montgomery

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Gate Open: 4 pm - 11pm Midway Opens: 4pm \$20 Armband sold until 8pm <sup>5</sup>7 Admission with Valid Winn Dixie receipt within 7 days

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#### Celebrate Clay Day

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#### (oca:Cola Taste The Fair Day

Children (6-12) 57.00

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# **ROCKIN' INTO THE NIGHT**

#### Clay County Agriculture Fair is where stars are born

en years from now, there's a good chance fans attending any one of the 10 concerts at the Clay County Agriculture Fair will say: "I remember seeing them before they got famous."

Of course, many of the scheduled acts scheduled this year at the Cattlemen's Arena have already achieved worldwide fame.

This year's Fair will be an incredible mix of established and up-and-coming stars.

Ebby Johns Blue Grass and Mitch Padgett's One-Man Band, Moosehaven Alley Cats and Kitchen Band and the Orange Park High bands were the featured acts during the first year of the Fair in 1987

This year's list of entertainers has combined to sell more than 220 million records.

"Our entertainment has definitely become a big part of the Fair," said general manager Tasha Hyder. "We're becoming one of the premier entertainment venues in North Florida. We put a lot of hard work and effort into it. We've been careful not to go too fast or get too big. We make little tweaks every year and we've gotten away from focusing solely on country music. Granted we are a county fair, but we've branched out to Southern rock, gospel, rap and rock."

Pam Tillis, John Michael Montgomery, 38 Special, Sir Mix-A-Lot, Scotty McCreery, Bellamy Brothers, Vanilla Ice, JJ Grey & Mofro and Niko Moon are just a few of the headliners who will be perform during this year's Fair. Rising stars like Filmore, Mitchell Tenpenny, Tenille Townes, Jon Langston and Tennille Arts will add to their stage presence and join local favorites The Curt Towne Band and Duval County Line for another layer of rich musical history at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

Joe Diffie, Travis Tritt, Big & Rich, the Gatlin Brothers, Kellie Pickler, Blake Shelton, Ronnie Milsap, Charlie Daniels, Marshall Tucker Band, Shenandoah, Tracy Byrd, Wynonna, Montgomery Gentry, Neal McCoy and Marty Stuart are just some of the legendary bands who've performed at Clay County, Ten years ago, 38 Special, which was founded by Clay County resident Donnie Van Zant, was joined on stage by younger brother Johnny Van Zant, the lead singer for Lynyrd Skynyrd, as they recorded "Help Somebody" that was part of 38 Special's 2011 album, "38 Special Live From Texas." In fact, when the Van Zant brothers asked the crowd to sing the chorus, they said, "Sing with us Clay County."

More memories are certain to be made this year.

Montgomery has seven No. 1 songs – "I Love the Way You Love Me," "I Swear," "Be My Baby Tonight," "If You've Got Love," "I Can Love You Like That," "Sold" and "the Little Girl."

Tillis' No. 1 song was "Mi Vida Loca (My Crazy Life)," Vanilla Ice, who's sold more than 160 million records, is best known for "Ice, Ice, Baby,"



while Sir Mix-A-Lot's "Baby's Got Back" is still a popular hip-hop song.

Moon, a song writer-turned-performer, has "Good Times" ranked among Billboard's Top 25 songs, while the Bellamy Brothers have 20 No. 1 hits, including "Let Your Love Flow," "If I Said You Had a Beautiful Body Would You Hold It Against Me," "Too Much is Not Enough" and "For All the Wrong Reasons."

One of the biggest headliners is 38 Special. The band was formed on the Westside of Jacksonville by Don Barnes and Donnie Van Zant. They cut their own niche, mixing rock and roll with Southern Rock for a legacy that's lasted more than 45 years.

"Rockin' Into the Night," "Wild-Eyed Southern Boys," "Caught Up in You," "Teacher, Teacher," "Back Where You Belong," "If I'd Been the One," "Fantasy Girl," "Chain Lightning," "Somebody Like You" and "Hold On Loosely" still get audiences on their feet. Their opening acts on April 2 have tremendous local followings.

The Curt Towne Band, led by Green Cove Springs guitarist Curt Towne, have toured with Lynyrd Skynyrd, 38 Special, the Outlaws, Blackberry Smoke, Molly Hatchet, Montgomery Gentry, Don Fielder of the Eagles, Atlanta Rhythm Section and Black Stone Cherry.

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nen she was growing up on a farm in Unicoi, Tenn., Tasha Hyder learned how to barrel race and care for any breed of horse.

Today, the manager of the Clay County Agriculture Fair hopes to bring a little of her childhood to the fair.

"Everywhere I work, I try to do something with animals," she said.

Animal adoption day will be Sunday, April 4 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Cattleman's Arena. The SAFE Animal Shelter, Roland's Rescue Gand and Clay County Animal Services will be



on hand to assit fair guests with dogs wht need a fur-ever home.

Hyder said the primary goal is to help shelters get their animals new homes and to raise awareness of how badly a new and centralized shelter is needed in Clay County.

This will mark the fifth year the Fair has hosted an animal adoption event.

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# Educating the next generation

hile the Clay County Agricultural Fair has always emphasized the importance of agricultural education, organizers continue to take steps each year to make more of an impact. But what is the importance of agricultural education?

Middleburg resident, Chereese Stewart, Clay County Agricultural Fair board member and a former teacher and administrator, has the honor of being the first director of agricultural education for the fair. For Stewart, having a chance to educate the next generation about agriculture is a critical issue.

"We just want to emphasize how important it is for the youth of today to explore the world of agriculture," said Stewart. "Farmers and ranchers

make up less than 2 percent of the population, yet they feed the rest of the country."

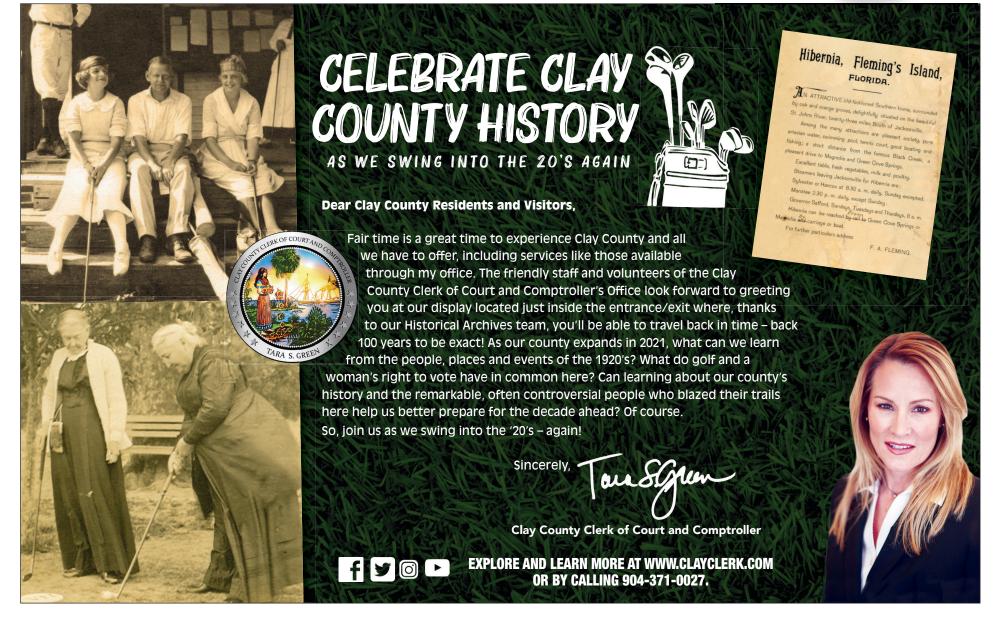
Stewart has been involved with the fair since she was a teenager, and she actually showed steers at the very first fair in 1987. Now, after 4 years working as a board member for the fair, Stewart is making agricultural education her biggest priority.

"As a county, a state and a country, we are becoming more urbanized. We can't forget the importance of agriculture," said Stewart. "We use some aspect of agriculture every day. Not just with food, but with agricultural byproducts. Paper products, clothes, even fuel come from the agricultural field."

Stewart, along with the rest of the board,

implemented a number of programs such as the AgVenture Tour. AgVenture has been made possible my many sponsors who promote agriculture inclduding the Fair Association, Clay County Cattleman's Association, Farm Bureau and the Clay Count Extension Agency. The program underscores what the late Claude Kelly - the "Father of the Clay County Agricultural Fair – always insisted. Kelly and former UF/IFAS Extension Service Director Jesse Godbold wanted the fair to emphasize agricultural education.







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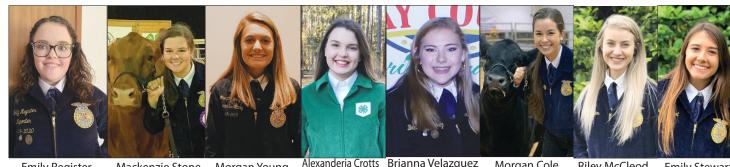
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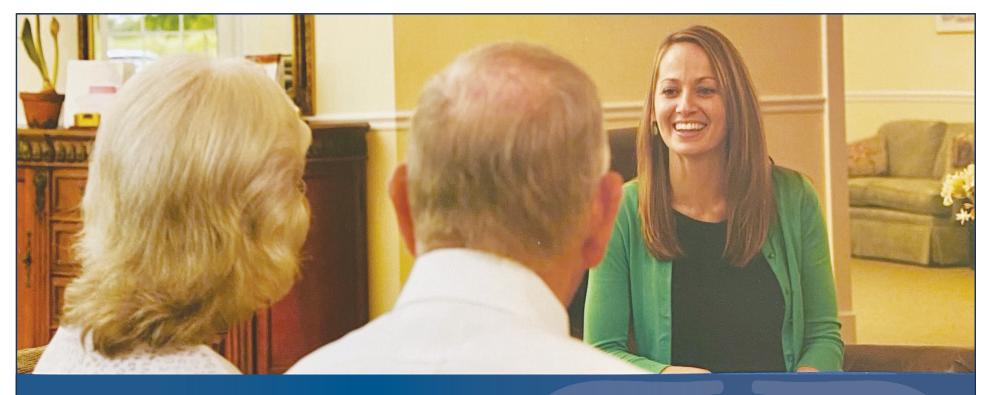
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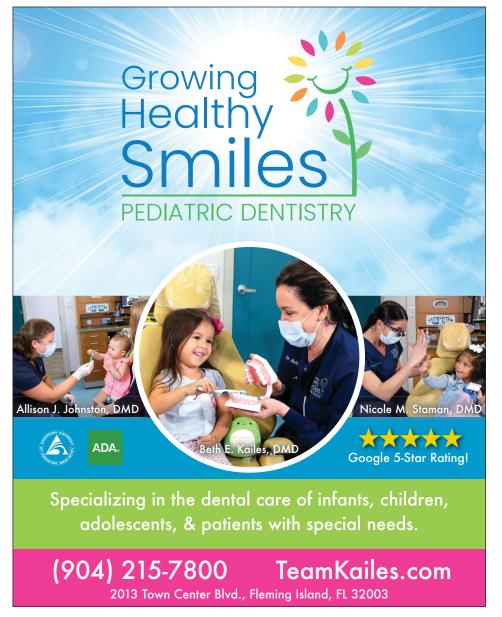
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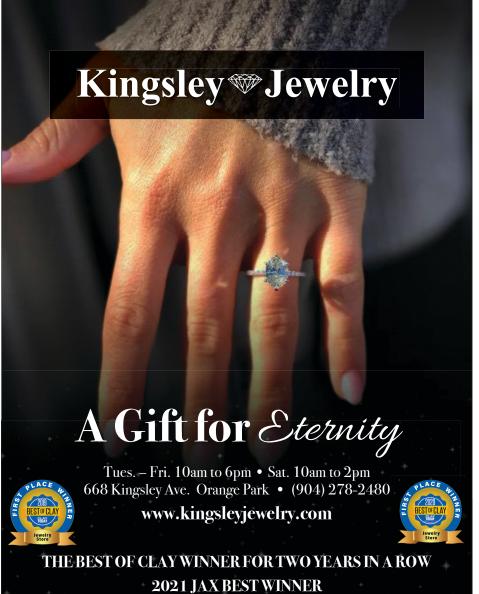


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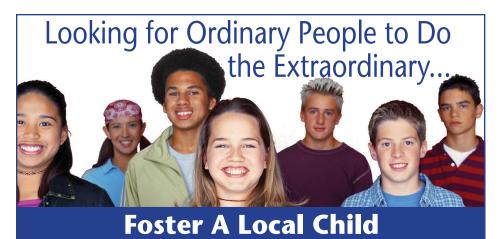


# YOLUNTEER of the YEAR 2021 CLAY COUNTY Agricultural FAIR

The Clay County Fair Association recently announced their Volunteers of the Year. Volunteers are nominated and selected for their tireless work and dedication to the Clay County Agricultural Fair.

#### 2021 YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

mily Stewart is the Youth Volunteer of the year. Emily has volunteered her services in the livestock, Ag-ventures and marketing area along with being a member of the Street Team for several years. Ag-ventures and marketing area along with being a member of the sair luncheon to She is always willing to pitch in where help is needed be it setting up for the fair luncheon to using her skills, knowledge and willingness to help others involved with the fair.



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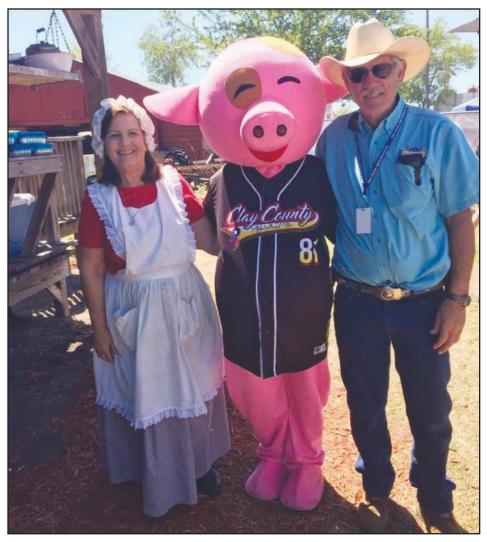
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Jann and Wayne Heath pictured with Clay, the Clay County Agricultural Fair mascot.





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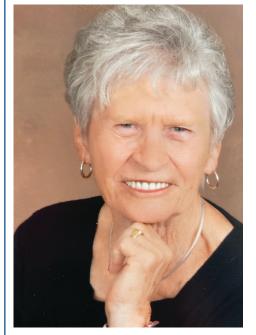


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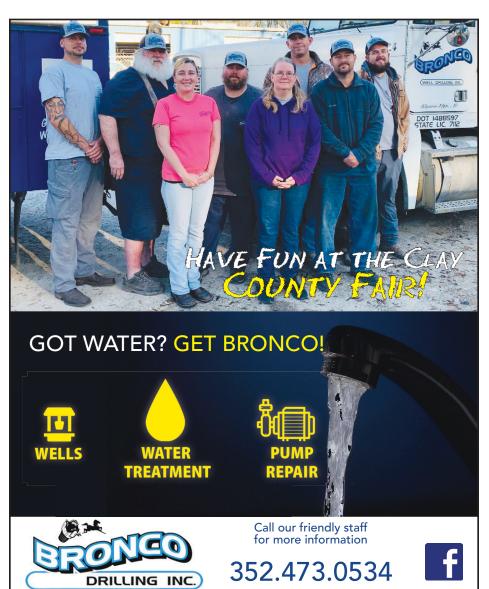


**MILLIE WILKES** 

#### 2021 **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

illie Wilkes has been involved with the Clay County Agricultural Fair for 20 years serving in many capacities during this time. She served a 6 year term on the board of directors, director of marketing, Superintendent of Vendors and Concessions and is currently in charge of inside vendors. Millie has also served as an office volunteer and has always been available to work at the front gate, Guest Services, and even direct traffic. You can find her on the grounds every day during the fair from opening until closing. If help is needed Millie is the first to volunteer.





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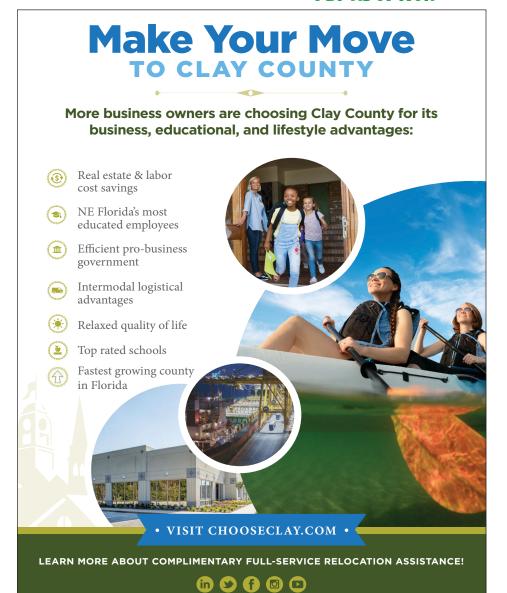
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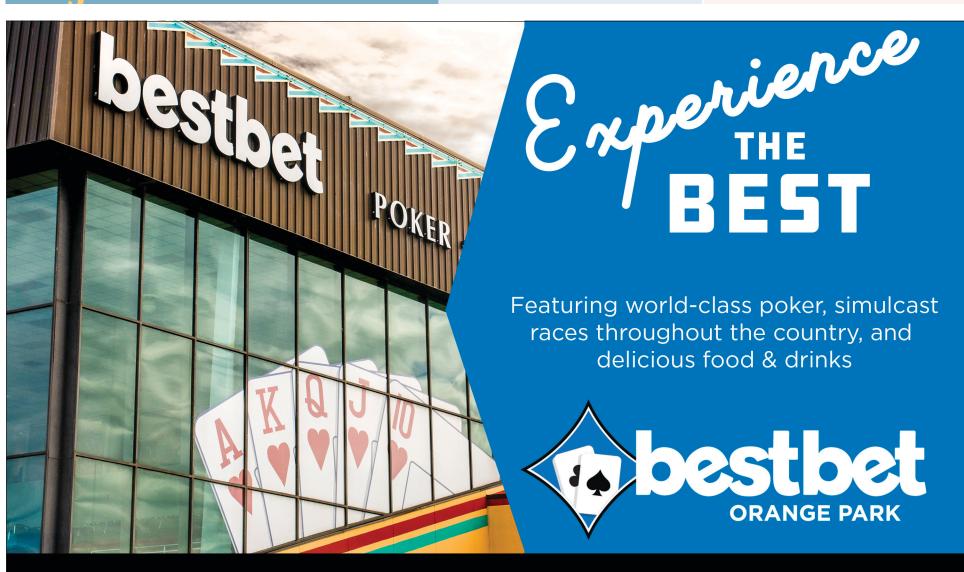


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Friday, 4/9/21	4 p.m.	\$25 state   \$25
Saturday, 4/10/21	11 a.m.	\$30
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A <sup>\$</sup> 2 per activiation fee will apply for each credit/debit card for wristband purchased on the fair grounds.		



## Thrilling riders at the Clay County Agriculture Fair since 1987

eggeller Attractions was part of the first Clay County Agriculture Fair in 1987, and it's provided amusement rides and a carnival atmosphere since.

There were just a handful of rides at the first fair. This year, there will be more than 40, including the new Atlantis fun house, according to Janice Deggeller.

"I was told on that first year, they drew out the plans on a napkin," Deggeller said of the layout. "The fair has grown by leaps and bounds since."

Deggeller was weeks away from setting up at the fairgrounds a year ago when the state mandated a shutdown by the COVID-19 pandemic. The company used the time away from its usual busy summer schedule to refurbish its existing inventory of rides.

"After we closed, we were able to send some of our hard rides to a park in Maryland

that could operate with a very few amount. Then in October and November, we were able to send some to the Pensacola Interstate Fair –



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one of our clients who needed equipment. We had some rides that had insurance, so we had enough to do the fair."

What's different this year are new armbands which will allow riders to enjoy most of the rides without buying individual tickets. By using armbands, riders can avoid standing in line for tickets and avoid person-to-person contact.

"We're very excited. There's a lot of new protocols," Deggeller said. "There's going to be a lot of new fun stuff there, like our armbands with RFID chips. You can put the app on your phone or you can tap your armband against the monitor. We will have one of these monitors at every ride. We're excited about that, especially with the future of apps."

The cost of armbands ranges from \$12 a day to \$30.

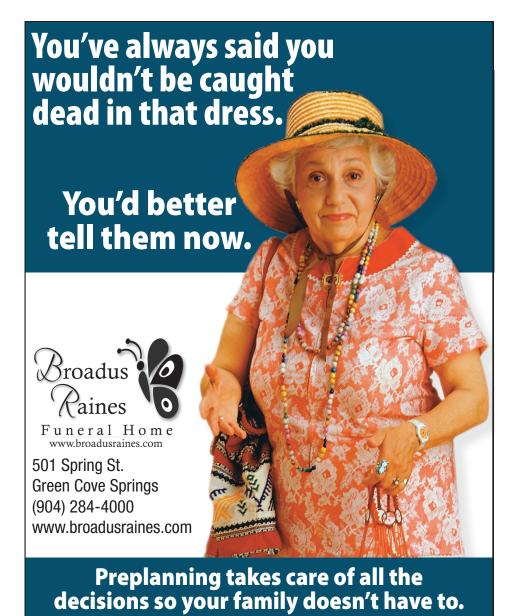
With the tap of your phone or armbands, patrons can enjoy some of Deggeller's most popular attractions like the Century Ferris wheel, the Cliffhanger, Enterprise, Fireball, Hydra, Vertigo, Typhoon, Starship, Spaceport, Zipper, Zero Gravity, Yoyo and Atlantis. Deggeller

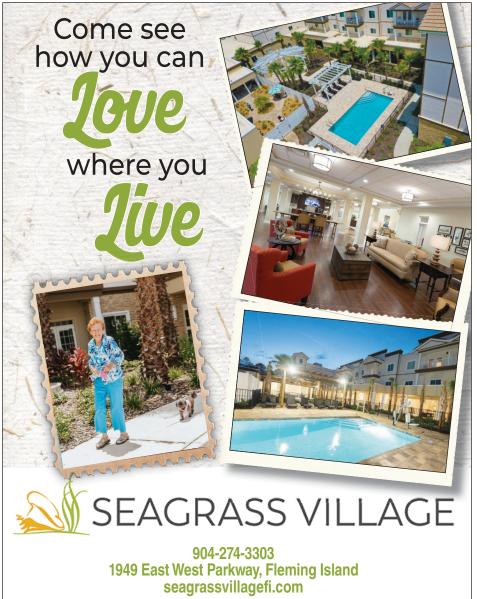
also will have plenty of family rides available, like the Bumper Boats, Haunted Mansion, Magic Haze, Merry-Go-round, Crazy Chopper, Scooter and Tilt-A-Whirl, as well as children's rides like Bootcamp, Circus Train, Elephants, Farm Tractors, Happy Swing, Bananas, Nemo, Speedway, Teacups, Puppy Roll, Jump Around, Orient Express rollercoaster and the Rocking Tug.

"We have a brand-new fun house called Atlantis," Deggeller said. "It was delivered last year, but we couldn't use it. There will be other new rides we'll be booking in."

Deggeller said if earlier fairs this year are a guide, the Clay County Agriculture Fair will have large, happy crowds.

"I think people are fatigued a little bit," she said. "People are tired of sitting at home. The fair puts on a good product. They do a really good job. From what we've seen, there have been no spikes [of COVID-19] at other fairs. I think with the vaccines and everything happening and personal responsibility like washing your hands, it's not that hard of a thing to do, it's going to









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## **GUEST SERVICES**

#### **PARKING**

Is FREE at the Fairgrounds. Please allow the Clay County Sheriff Deputies to direct you to park. Be sure to lock your vehicle, and take note of where you have parked. We have 3 parking lots: North, Main, & South. Take a minute to familiarize yourself with your surroundings when you arrive to avoid confusion when you depart. When driving in the parking lots, please drive with caution and watch for "pedestrian traffic".

#### TRAM SCHEDULE

For your convenience, trams will be provided and run daily from the main gate. SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO CONDITIONS

#### FAIR ADMISSION

Admission prices are \$10.00 for adults (13-64), seniors \$7.00 (65+), \$7.00 for children (6-12), and children 5 and under are free. Gate admission will end 90 minutes prior to the listed closing times. No admission will be allowed after that time.

ATMs are conveniently located throughout the Fairgrounds. (see Fairgrounds directory for locations)

Are provided by Clay County Fair Association located behind the Main Gate while supplies last. We charge the following rates: \$50 per scooter daily, \$35 per scooter half day, \$10 per double stroller, \$5 per single stroller & \$15  $\,$ per wagon

#### RESTROOMS

Are located at the main gate, outside the Cattlemen's Arena, across from Exhibit Building 1 and next to Kiddy Land on the midway. Portable restrooms are also available throughout the Fairgrounds.

#### **COOL DOWN AREAS**

For the convenience of our guests we have two cool down areas: Exhibit Bldg 2 and the tent near the Livestock Barns. Both areas include picnic tables for eating.

#### **DIAPER CHANGING FACILITIES**

Are available in all permanent restrooms.

#### **NURSING STATIONS**

Sponsored by OPMC, for privacy and convenience nursing stations can be found in the back of Exhibit Bldg 2.

#### **LOST & FOUND**

Is located at Guest Services at the Main Gate and next to Exhibit Building I.

#### RECYCLING

The Clay County Agricultural Fair is proud to be GREEN! Please use the recycling containers located next to each trash receptacle throughout the fairgrounds. Our recycling partners include Advanced Disposal, Keep Clay Beautiful, Clay County Environmental Services.

Sponsored by Orange Park Medical Center is located next to Exhibit Building I.

Be prepared with sunscreen and visors on warm sunny days. Have a jacket or sweatshirt for cool evenings. A poncho or umbrella is a good idea if skies turn grey. Tune into News4Jax for your daily "Fair Weather" report.

#### SHOE ATTIRE

With over 40 acres of activities there is plenty of walking to do, we recommend wearing comfortable closed toe shoes.

No bottles, cans, coolers or picnic baskets are permitted on the fairgrounds.

#### **BAGS**

All bags are subject for inspection to ensure the safety of all guests. Random bags checks will be conducted.

#### **CAMERAS**

There will be plenty of memorable moments, so bring your camera or video camera and capture the special day forever. Please note: Cameras and video cameras may be prohibited during certain entertainment events.

Pets: We love pets, but the fair is not pet friendly. Pets are not permitted on the Fairgrounds except service animals in compliance with the ADA.

#### **SMOKING**

We are a smoke free fair, but have created two smoke zones for your convenience. The zones are located behind the main gate restrooms and near the north gate restrooms.

#### **PHONE CHARGING STATIONS**

Located in Catlemen's & EZ REst Area near the barn.

#### **PROTESTS**

During the Fair, the Fair does not provide space for meet and greets, campaign rallies, fundraisers or other political events. Political signs and picketing are allowed only in designated areas

#### **WE ARE ALCOHOL FREE**

While the Clay County Commission approved the sale of beer and wine at the Clay County Fairgrounds in 2018, the Clay County Agricultural Fair will still remain alcohol free.

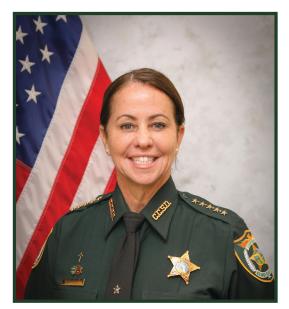
"We have no desire to serve or allow the consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Clav County Fair," wrote Tasha Hyder, general manager of the Clay County Agricultural Fair, in a letter to the Clay County Board of County Commissioners. "It is our position that we will remain an alcohol-free fair, regardless of the county's decision to allow alcohol on the fairgrounds or not. We have been and will continue being 'A family A\*fair."



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# Clay County Fair COVID plan. Your safety matters most.

To ensure that our volunteers and guests are protected, our team has pledged to do the following:



EDUCATE! We will train employees, vendors and volunteers on COVID-19 hygiene protocol, with proper processes in place to ensure compliance. We will follow the advice from our local health and public safety officials and current CDC guidelines in our training.



SPACE! We added an additional day to help with crowded days. Space out indoor and outdoor vendors where possible to allow additional spacing. Allow additional spacing on the midway for ride lines. Allow additional spacing during concerts.



CLEAN! Prior to COVID-19 we took great pride in keeping our fair clean. We are taking our 2021 cleaning schedule to the next level. We have created a Clean Team and have increased our cleaning schedule in all areas. We have added additional sanitizing and hand washing stations throughout the fair. We will focus on high-touch items and ensure that they are cleaned frequently.



REDUCE! We have added contactless ticket systems to our front gate and we recommend that people purchase their tickets online, you'll save money if you buy before April 1st! We are working to reduce the amount of touches we generate, throughout the fair's activities.



RECOMMEND! We strongly recommend wearing masks at the fair. We recommend sanitizing and washing your hands frequently. We recommend coming on a week day, where it is less crowded. Masks will be available for free at Guest Services for anyone needing one.

You can do your part by wearing a mask, practicing social distancing, frequently washing/sanitizing your hands and staying home if you're sick. Most of all HAVE FUN and Welcome Back!



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CONCERTS! Extra caution has been taken to ensure concert goers can have a fun and safe experience. Rows will be spaced 6ft apart and chairs will be spaced out as well. The VIP experience area has been increased and capacity has been reduced to allow more space for guests in that area. Meet-n-Greets have been cancelled and backstage access will be very limited, only those deemed a necessity will be granted access. Temperature checks will be done on people granted access to backstage areas and masks may be required. VIP restrooms, green rooms and all other seating areas will be professionally sanitized after each show. Additional hand sanitized stations with alcohol based sanitizer will be available in all areas.



RIDES! Prior to COVID-19 we took great pride in keeping our rides safe and clean, this year is no exception. As part of Deggeller's daily cleaning routines they have taken the following precautionary measures to exceed the recommended guidelines. Will be conducting higher frequency cleaning and disinfection, especially for surfaces frequently touched by guests and employees. Disinfecting surfaces like doorknobs, tables, games, rides and handrails. There will be excess alcohol-based hand sanitizer stations near high-touch points and throughout the midway. Quick response to any and all "out of the ordinary" cleanliness and sanitary concerns. Will conduct daily employee training of guidelines and updates to better serve our guests & community and closely monitor employee health and safety practices, including temperature checks before and during their shifts. We will have a contactless ticketing system for rides, games and food. Signage with proper social distancing protocols will be prominent throughout the midway. We will create more space between rides and concessions to allow for proper que fencing and proper social distancing

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# CONTINUED RISKS AND REFUNDS.



REFUND POLICY: You can buy with confidence knowing that should the concerts be cancelled due to COVID 19, you will have the opportunity for a full refund.



RISK: COVID-19 exposure is an inherent risk in any public locations where people are present. While the Clay County Agricultural Fair will do their very best to ensure a safe environment, guests should only attend after evaluating their own health risks. The Clay County Fair Association cannot guarantee you will not be exposed during your visit.



AKNOWLEDGEMENT: Purchase of a ticket, pass or ride armband and entry on to the Clay County Fairgrounds constitutes your understanding of these risks and your willingness to undertake the risk of exposure. No refunds will be given following your entry on to the Fairgrounds.



SPACE: Be considerate of others around and follow social distancing protocols. Adherence to the guidelines will assist in our efforts to present a safe and successful fair.

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