

**TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB**  
**2019 - THE YEAR IN REVIEW**



**A compilation of stories and projects of the**  
**Tollesboro Lions Club in 2019, with photographs.**

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## 2019 - THE YEAR IN REVIEW



### TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB HOSTS ZONE MEETING

The Tollesboro Lions Club hosted the Quarterly Zone Meeting on Friday, January 11, 2019 at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse in Tollesboro. The Zone is made up of eight Lions Clubs in the local area and includes Tollesboro, Vanceburg, Maysville, Mays Lick, Lewisburg/Millcreek, Sardis, Orangeburg and Washington. The meeting was attended by 10 members representing 4 of the 8 clubs (clubs represented at the meeting included Orangeburg, Maysville, Lewisburg/Millcreek, and the host club, Tollesboro) and included members of Lions Club International with memberships as new as one week (a recently installed member of the Orangeburg Lions Club, Kyle McKibben) to in excess of 29 years (both members of the Tollesboro Club in attendance, Clinton Applegate and Craig Stanfield). Other members in attendance included: Tom Jett and Angela Jett (Angela Jett joined Lions Club International only one month ago) of the Maysville Lions Club; Leslie Mayberry, Allen Mayberry, Sr., and Debbie Merrill representing the Lewisburg-Millcreek Lions Club; Donald Toller and Sarah Toller representing the Orangeburg Lions Club.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Prayer. A light meal was then provided to those in attendance. Following the meal, the business meeting opened by Zone Chairman Clinton Applegate welcoming all in attendance. The first item of business was the provision of three handouts to all members in attendance: Dates To Remember, the upcoming State Convention, and a Call To Meeting Notice.

The next item of business was a discussion of the 2020 USA-Canada Lions Club Forum which will be held in Louisville, Kentucky Sept. 17th through Sept. 19, 2020, with Chairman Applegate stressing how the Kentucky Lions Clubs would need volunteers and was encouraging representation from all clubs in the

State to attend and be present at the meeting (it was also mentioned that this year's forum would be held in Spokane, Washington Sept. 19th through Sept. 21st, 2019 for those wanting or intending to attend).

Next item of business was a discussion of the MD43 Kentucky State Convention in Lexington, May 3 through May 5, 2019.

Next, Chevron Awards (for years of service) were presented to those present to take back to their clubs. Recipients included: Alvin Davis (10 years), Ralph Cooper (15 yrs.) and Dick Clary (55 years) of the Mays Lick Lions Club; Edna Humphries (10 years) and Shelby Trimble (30 years) of the Orangeburg Lions Club; Debbie Merrill (10 years) and Jim Littleton (40 years) of the Lewisburg-Millcreek Lions Club; Paul Hampton (20 years) of the Tollesboro Lions Club; and David Shugarbaker (20 years) and Joe Traxel (40 years) of the Maysville Lions Club.

Clubs were asked to report upcoming events. The Maysville Lions Club announced that their club would be celebrating its 90th Anniversary Feb. 28th. It was also noted by the Maysville Lions Club that their annual Radio Auction would be April 1st through April 6th. The Lewisburg-Millcreek Club announced that it would be hosting a 5K run on the 20th day of April. The Orangeburg Lions Club reported that they would be conducting a Pancake Breakfast April 6th.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



*Shown above are members who attended the Jan. 11, 2019 Zone Meeting hosted by the Tollesboro Lions Club. Zone Chairman Clinton Applegate, of the Tollesboro Lions Club is shown near the center of the photo in the Lions Club vest. Not shown in the photo is Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig A. Stanfield who took the photo. Members present represented 4 of the 8 Lions Club organizations located within the Zone.*

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## **FEBRUARY MEETING OF THE TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB**

February: Donated \$1300 to support each of Kentucky Lions Club Statewide Projects. Purchased a new Optelecs Portable Magnifier to provide to local vision impaired Tollesboro resident (this item is ideal for reading bills and invoices, menus at restaurants, etc.).

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# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB MARCH MEETING and** **BLUEGRASS LIONS DIABETES PROJECT**

At the regular meeting of the Tollesboro Lions Club, March 25th, 2019, the Club heard a presentation by Lexington Lions Club member and District 43-Y Regional Chairman Pat Ryan on the BLUEGRASS LIONS DIABETES PROJECT. Attending the meeting, in addition to members of the Tollesboro Lions Club, were Tim Bowden (Past Lions Club 43-Y District Governor 1986-1987) and Roger Brown (Past Lions Club 43-Y District Governor 1990-1991), both of the Vanceburg Lions Club.

The BLUEGRASS LIONS DIABETES PROJECT is a project that will be promoted by and available to all clubs of District 43-Y in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Lions Club International has been a promoter of SIGHT PRESERVATION since Helen Keller personally appealed to Lions Club International at their Annual Convention in 1925 (this was only 8 years after the organization's inception in 1917 and only 5 years after the organization became not only a United States institution but rather an International organization in 1920) to become "Knights of the Blind in the Crusade Against Darkness". NOTE: Sight Preservation is one of the FIVE GLOBAL CAUSES supported by Lions Club International. The Five Global Causes supported by Lions Club International are: Diabetes (reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed), Vision (prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired), Hunger (to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods), Environment (to sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities), and Childhood Cancer (to help those affected by childhood cancer survive and thrive). As such, virtually every Lions Club throughout the world (there are approximately 1.4 million Lions Club members in approximately 46,000 clubs in over 200 countries worldwide) typically promote sight preservation in some fashion by various means. Most Kentucky Lions Clubs can be counted on to provide eyeglasses to those in need, provide for and or promote vision screenings, refer vision impaired to the Kentucky Lions Eye Institute in Louisville and by supporting the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation KLEF (both of which were founded by and are supported by Kentucky Lions Clubs), the collection of used eyeglasses and reading glasses for recycling for use in other countries, and other ways (the Tollesboro Lions Club in 2018 donated \$900 for the purchase and provision/training of water filters for a village in Nepal to provide a clean source of drinking water to aid not only in improving the health of the Nepalese people but to prevent bacterial infections which cause illnesses that can lead to blindness; donated 250 pairs of eyeglasses to a Haiti mission trip; collected and donated over 400 pairs of eyeglasses for recycling; provided eyeglasses to locals in need; and assisted in eye screenings). Diabetes, in addition to causing catastrophic debilitation to organs and circulation problems within the body, is a major contributing cause of blindness. As such, Lions Club International has recognized it as a disease that it wants to bring to the forefront as many people do not know they are at risk or even have the disease until such time as the disease has caused damage to one's body. Therefore, Lions Club International is offering matching dollar grants (potentially \$3 match to each dollar provided) for the BLUEGRASS LIONS DIABETES PROJECT so as to provide for A1C screenings and assessment surveys (the survey/assessment is a simple "at risk" indicator, typically asking 7 simple questions) - and potentially retinopathy screenings - at events conducted and/or hosted by Lions Clubs organizations within District 43-Y in order to:

- 1). Identify those with or at risk for diabetes.
- 2). Lead those with diabetes or at risk for diabetes to programs to control and manage the disease.

As such, District 43-Y has begun a fund-raising campaign to build up monies so as to leverage these funds by applying for grant monies offered through the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) so that screenings and assessments can be conducted throughout the District at various functions (such as County Fairs, the Tollesboro Lions Club being a host of a large fair each year and it is hoped that screenings will be offered to the public at the Tollesboro Lions

Club Fair or other local events) to help identify those at risk and to then provide help in locating programs to control and manage the disease.

There are two types of programs that those at risk will be recommended to:

- 1). DPP or Diabetes Prevention Program is for those with Type II diabetes which is related to lifestyle which promotes healthier eating habits and increased physical activity.
- 2). DSMES - Diabetes Self Management Education and Support for those with Type I Diabetes which is related to genetics.

Both of these programs are designed to aid in the management and control of diabetes.

Following the presentation, which was well received, Tollesboro Lions Club President Steve Pedersen presented 100% Attendance Award pins to Lion Larry Tucker and Lion Charlie Kendall.

During the regular business meeting, it was reported that Lions Club 43-Y Zone Chairman Clinton Applegate had presided over a Zone Meeting hosted by the Maysville Lions Club at which 16 Lions Club members were in attendance from 5 of the 8 Clubs within the Zone. Clubs with members in attendance included Maysville, Lewisburg-Mill Creek, Orangeburg, Vanceburg, and Tollesboro.

Tollesboro Lions Club members each received the new (and first for the Tollesboro Lions Club) Tollesboro Lions Club pins, just in time to celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the Tollesboro Lions Club organization (the Tollesboro Lions Club charter was signed April 30, 1954 following organizational meetings, the first of which was held Dec. 12, 1953). These pins are in the shape of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, with a Kentucky Blue background, with the Lions Club International emblem, a "Star" showing the approximate location of Tollesboro, and a Walking Horse silhouette (the Club's main fund-raiser each year is the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair and the Horse is emblematic of how important the horse is to Kentucky and as to how our annual fair largely revolves around our Annual Horse Show), with the words "SERVING SINCE 1954" and "TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB" .

The Tollesboro Lions Club has arranged for 100 trees (50 oak trees and 50 persimmon trees, donated by the Division of Forestry in Morehead) to be planted in Tollesboro this spring around Arbor Day to improve the environment.

The upcoming Tollesboro Lions Club Fair was discussed with the Fair Board still working on making this year's fair an event filled success.

Trade Day/Flea Market events were discussed with events scheduled as follows: TRADE DAYS May 3 through May 5; SPRING TRADE DAYS May 24-May 26; SUMMER TRADE DAYS June 21 - 23; and FALL TRADE DAYS Sept. 27 - 29. For additional information or to reserve space, contact Richard "Skeeter" Shaw, 606-798-6134 or 606-356-8043.

To learn more about the Tollesboro Lions Club (our recent projects, the history of our club, upcoming events, our supporters, etc.), check out our website at [www.tollesborolions.com](http://www.tollesborolions.com).



*Tollesboro Lions Club President Steven Pedersen (far left) presents Tollesboro Lions Club members Charlie Kendall and Larry Tucker (far right) with 100% Attendance Awards for 2018 at the March 25, 2019 meeting of the Tollesboro Lions Club.*

*Members of the Tollesboro Lions Club were presented with the first ever official Tollesboro Lions Club pin at the March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting. Below is the design used to create the pin. An article about the pin and it's symbolism follows.*



# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB UNVEILS** **OFFICIAL TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB PIN!!!**

In late MAY OF 2019, the TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB unveiled it's first OFFICIAL TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB PIN to the club membership! The pin features the outline of the State of Kentucky in a field of Kentucky blue (symbolic of the blue and white official colors of the Tollesboro High School when the school served the community until it's closure in 2004) outlined in gold, with a gold "star" showing the approximate location of Tollesboro, with a silhouette in gold of a Walking Horse in action (symbolizing the Horse Show which has been an integral part of our fair through it's inception in 1957 as well as the importance of the Horse to Kentucky tourism and agriculture), with a small Lions Club emblem, and the words "SERVING SINCE 1954" and "TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB", to include the name of our club and referring to the Lions Club motto and the year that the Tollesboro Lions Club was first chartered to begin service to our community!

While most Lions Clubs throughout the nation (and even throughout the world) create pins to be worn by their membership and to offer for trade and as gifts to visiting Lions Club members from other clubs, this is our first official designed pin, created just in time to celebrate our 65th Anniversary of the Club's Origination. Lions Club President Steve Pedersen asked Lion Craig A. Stanfield to create a number of designs for consideration for official pin. Craig put together a number of different designs for consideration before Steve decided that the design used was the most emblematic of the Tollesboro Lions Club, it's years of service to the community, and the organizations goals and concerns. Pins were first provided to the membership of the club at the March 25, 2019 meeting so that membership could have them on their vests before the April meeting (the Tollesboro Lions Club will mark it's 65th year of service April 30th, 2019).



# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB HOSTS FUND-RAISER FOR MARCH FOR BABIES.

## Additional Quarter Auction Fund Raiser Scheduled for May 6th To Benefit Lewis Co. Little League

Tabby Liles, Charity Stout, Kay Hargett, Becky Cooper and Tracy Applegate organized a Quarter-Auction Event April 1, 2019 hosted by the The Tollesboro Lions Club. The event was attended by approximately 115 persons, a full-house, conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse on the grounds of the Tollesboro Lions Community Park.

The event was a rousing success, raising \$1,213.48 for the March for Babies (organized by the March of Dimes), a national organization with the specific intent of leading the fight for the health of all moms and babies.

According to the organizers, who have been involved in conducting quarter auctions for several years in various venues throughout the county (the Lewis County Extension Office, Black Oak Fire Department, etc.), this was a very well attended event, the largest attended event since 2015. The organizers also indicated that this event raised more money for the non-profit recipient than any event they had conducted since 2014. This is the first time that they have conducted the event at the Tollesboro Lions Club. However the event was such a success that a second Quarter Auction Event is planned and scheduled to be conducted May 6th, 6:30 pm., also at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse, with the profits this time benefiting the Lewis County Little League. The public is invited to attend.



**MARCH WITH US**

*We're leading the fight for the health of all moms and babies.*

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*A large crowd of participants gathered at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse April 1, 2019 for a Quarter Auction Fund-Raiser to benefit the March For Babies Organization.*

# **TOLLESBORO TRADE DAYS & FLEA MARKET**

**MAY 3 through 5, 2019**

## **FOUR TRADE DAY EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR 2019**

The Tollesboro Lions Club will have Trade Days on the following weekends in 2019 at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds/Community Park setting up along the road frontage of KY 9 with the first event coming up soon, the weekend of May 3 through May 5.

Additional Trade Day events are scheduled as follows: Tollesboro Spring Trade Days May 24 through May 26; Tollesboro Summer Trade Days June 21 through June 23; and Tollesboro Fall Trade Days Sept. 13 through Sept. 15.

Businesses and Individuals are invited to make arrangements to set up to sell (NO FOOD VENDORS AS FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT EACH EVENT, HOWEVER BAKED GOODS AND HOMEMADE GOODS ARE WELCOME!), LIMITED ELECTRICAL HOOKUPS AVAILABLE. To reserve exhibit space, contact Richard "Skeeter" Shaw (606) 798-6134 or (606) 356-8043.



*Vendors setting up at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds displaying and selling their wares on a beautiful day during a recent Trade Days event.*

**TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB MEETING;**  
**ELECTION 2019-2020 OFFICERS;**  
**MUD SLING SCHEDULED FOR MAY 11TH**

At the April 22, 2019 meeting of the Tollesboro Lions Club, officers were elected for the 2019-2020 term (term beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020). Officers elected include **PRESIDENT LEE THOMAS; FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: ANTHONY WELLMAN; SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: DENNY HORNBACK; THIRD VICE PRESIDENT: JIM MEADOWS; SECRETARY: PHIL CROPPER; TREASURER: STEVE PEDERSEN; LION TAMER: DAMON THOMAS; TAIL TWISTER: DARREL DIXON; TWO YEAR DIRECTORS (2): CLINTON APPLGATE and CRAIG A. STANFIELD; 1 YEAR DIRECTORS (2): PAUL HAMPTON and CHARLIE KENDALL; MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON: CLINTON APPLGATE; LCIF COORDINATOR (PAST PRESIDENT): STEVE PEDERSEN; SERVICE CHAIRPERSON: STEVE PEDERSEN; MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS CHAIRPERSON: CRAIG A. STANFIELD.**

Also discussed during the April 22, 2019 meeting are several upcoming events.

On April 24th, the Tollesboro Lions Club will be the recipient of 100 trees (oaks and persimmons) that the club has arranged to have planted in Tollesboro just in time for the April 26th Arbor Day celebration. The trees will be divided by the Kentucky Division of Forestry, arranged through Michael Carter, Lewis County Forest Ranger Technician.

This weekend, April 26th and April 27th, the Tollesboro Lions Club will be hosting a Tug Tractor Pull at the Fairgrounds. The Friday night event will feature tractors weighing 3500 to 6000 lbs.; the Saturday night event will feature tractors weighing 6,000 to 9,000 lbs. Entry fees for the event are \$10 with payback \$75 First, \$50 Second, \$25 Third Percentage and Heavy Load plus trophies. Contact Clinton Applegate for details (606) 782-2884 for details.

Currently there are four Trade Day/Flea Market Events scheduled throughout the spring through fall. The first event is scheduled for May 3rd through May 5th. Additional events are scheduled for May 24th through May 26th; June 21st through June 23rd; and Sept. 13th through Sept. 15th. These events are held daily throughout the weekend set up along the AA Frontage of the Tollesboro Lions Club. Contact Richard "Skeeter" Shaw (606) 798-6134 or (606) 356-8043 for details.

A Quarter Auction is scheduled for May 6th, 6:30 pm., at the Tollesboro Lions Clubhouse with proceeds to benefit the Lewis County Little League.

A Mud Sling is scheduled for May 11th, 7:00 pm at the Fairgrounds.

Also discussed was the 62nd Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair which will be July 12th through July 20th. The schedule of events is almost complete and will be made available soon. This year's fair will offer some new events!

To keep up with the Tollesboro Lions Club, check out our website at [www.tollesborolions.com](http://www.tollesborolions.com).

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SUBMITS PROJECT FOR CONSIDERATION "BEAUTIFY THE BLUEGRASS" INITIATIVE

Following is the submission made to the Governor's "Beautify the Bluegrass" Initiative project through Kentucky Living and the Kentucky Electrical Cooperatives. While lots more could have been said about the project, and lots of additional photos could have been provided, the contest limits the description of the project to 3,000 characters and only 4 photos.

Photos submitted were a "BEFORE" photograph (as no photo of the old playground could be found, even after going through thousands of photos of past fairs and events, the photo submitted was an aerial view from GoogleEarth) an "AFTER" photograph (thus one showing the completed project), and the opportunity to upload 2 "WORK IN PROGRESS" photos (therefore, photos used were a photo of Lions Club Members present on Work Night installing mulch and a montage photograph of the playground equipment to be installed). The application did request LARGE photos, in excess of 500 MB and up to 3 KB in size.

## TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SUBMITS PLAYGROUND PROJECT TO "BEAUTIFY THE BLUEGRASS" CONTEST APRIL, 2019

Our project is a new playground at the Tollesboro Lions Club Community Park/Fairgrounds Tollesboro, KY.

We had a very small playground consisting of two old galvanized pipe A-frame swingsets with 2 and 3 swings and an old metal slide. This equipment probably dated to the 1960s (maybe 1950s) and came to us second-hand through an old school in late-1980s. Quite frankly, even after going through 1000s of photos, I could not find a single photo of the old playground (quite frankly, it wasn't really something to be proud of); therefore the "BEFORE" photo I have submitted is of the grounds obtained from GoogleEarth. In 2018, with a grant from the Center for Disease Control we erected a brand new playground, handicapped accessible, state of the art equipment, with rubber mulch, concrete curbing, even concrete walkways to permit handicapped to access swings with wheelchairs. Club members designed placement of equipment insuring distances between the various equipment conformed with manufacturer's recommendations and insuring the area in which installation was to take place was of sufficient size. All site prep not requiring heavy equipment was performed by club members (removal of the old playground, old fence, and the briars and brush that covered the old fence), also installing filter fabric and rubber mulch. Actual site prep (level grade) was donated by local contractor. Cost of playground equipment over \$35,000 including the shelterhouse, picnic tables and trash cans. Installation costs were just under \$15,000 (we hired installation company due to the complexity of the installation and as we did not want to take any chances with young children involved). Concrete curbing was \$2,000+. Concrete walks, rubber mulch and filter fabric added to expense. We also had to construct a new 8' high chainlink fence in the rear to separate parking from the playground (this cost over \$17,000 however this fence covered an area larger than just the playground). In all, we spent in excess of \$75,000 including the fencing (we ended up adding \$24,000 in additional debt which we financed through the Buffalo Trace Area Development District Revolving Loan Fund; however the majority of the expense was covered by grants and community supporters). Organized 65 years ago, we are a very small Lions Club with 29 members. However we own our fairgrounds (20 acres) located on KY 10 and AA Hwy. A basketball court and a blacktop walking track continue the theme of healthy living. Our grounds also includes significant structural improvements necessary to host a first-class agricultural fair extending over 9 days each year. We will host our 62nd Annual Fair July 12th through 20th 2019. In the last 10 years, with the help of numerous local supporters, volunteers, and a number of grants, we have made between \$350,000 and \$500,000 in grounds improvements. A small but mighty force, we live the Lions Club International motto: WE SERVE. Check out our website: [www.tollesborolions.com](http://www.tollesborolions.com).



*As no photos could be located showing the prior playground in place at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds, this aerial photograph was submitted showing the location of the original playground (zooming in, you can see the location of the swings and slide that made up the former playground as indicated by the arrow).*



***PHOTO SHOWING THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT TO BE PLACED AT THE TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIRGROUNDS.***



***Tollesboro Lions Club members present for a “work-night” installing filter fabric and rubber mulch.***



*Completed playground.*



*The photo above shows the large crowd on hand at the 2018 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony upon completion of the Playground.*

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB ARBOR DAY PROJECT - OBTAINS TREES TO PLANT LOCALLY TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT

On April 24th, the Tollesboro Lions Club will be the recipient of 100 trees (50 Shumard Oak trees and 50 Persimmon trees) that the club has arranged to have planted in Tollesboro just in time for the April 26th Arbor Day celebration. The trees were provided and delivered by Michael Carter, Lewis County Forest Ranger through the Northeast Region Division of Forestry. Tree planting is a project recommended by Lions Club International's Initiative to Improve The Environment.

While trees provide natural beauty to the areas which they are planted, it is not just their inherent beauty that improves the environment. Persimmons provide fruits that are an important game food. Oaks produce acorns, one of the most beneficial nuts for providing energy to deer, squirrels, and other wildlife, especially during the winter months. Both oaks and persimmons become large trees (each can grow in excess of 50 feet in height, with the Shumard Oak capable of reaching heights greater than 100 feet) that provide shady canopies so necessary to the survival of many other plants and animals. The shade created by trees also acts to cool the earth, providing an important defense against global warming. And of course, once trees mature, they sometimes become homes for different wildlife and also produce timber which we use for a variety of purposes (fuel, building materials, furniture, manufacture of paper, etc. Both Persimmon trees and Shumard Oak trees are hardwood trees, with their lumber well suited to a variety of uses). However, the most important benefit to the environment is that trees act to clean air, taking in carbon dioxide from the air that we exhale and converting it through the process of photosynthesis to oxygen which we inhale.

**FUN FACT:** Were you aware that the US Federal Government officially designated a National Tree in 2004? It is true. The national tree of the United States of America is the MIGHTY OAK TREE!!

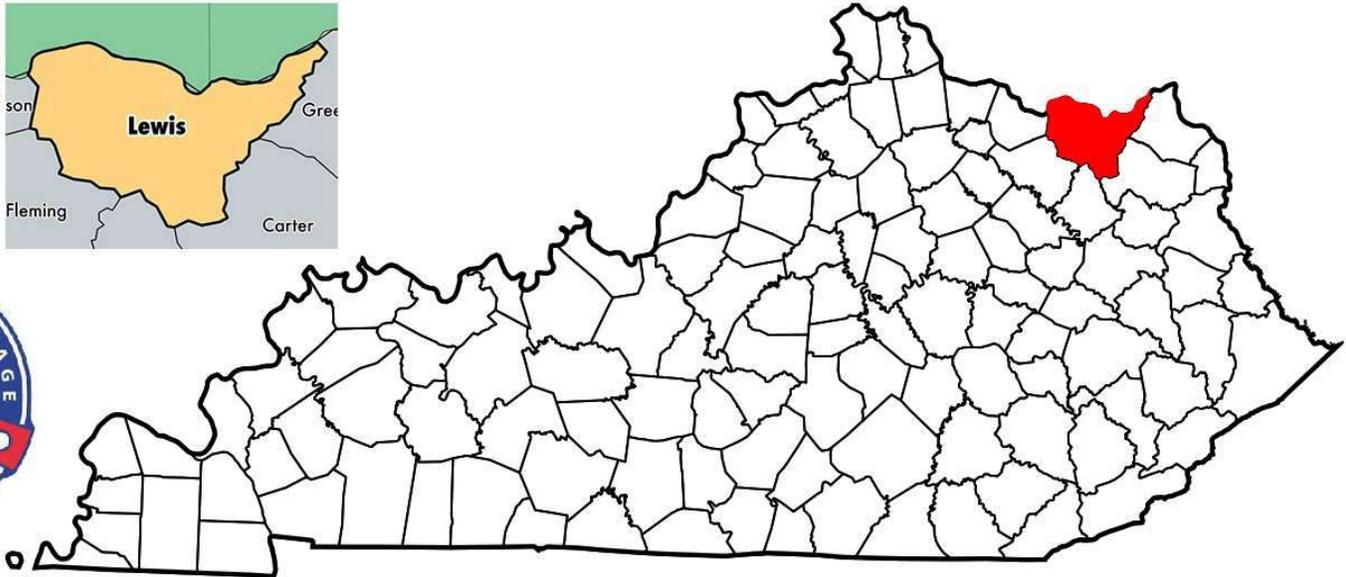
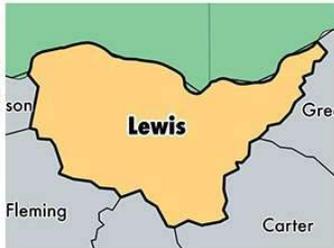


*Forest Ranger Technician Michael Carter, Northeast Region Kentucky Division of Forestry representing Lewis County presents Tollesboro Lions Club President Steven Pedersen 100 trees, 50 Persimmon and 50 Shumard Oak, for planting in Tollesboro for Arbor Day as part of Lions Club International's Initiative to Improve the Environment.*

# QUARTER AUCTION MAY 6TH SUCCESSFUL IN RAISING FUNDS FOR LEWIS COUNTY LITTLE LEAGUE PROGRAM

Once again, Tabby Liles, Charity Stout, Kay Hargett, Becky Cooper and Tracy Applegate organized a Quarter-Auction Event May 6, 2019 at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse, hosted by the The Tollesboro Lions Club, the second such event conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds. The event was attended by approximately 70 persons and was successful in raising over \$750 for the Lewis County Little League! In addition, Little League supporters sold concessions to the event organizers and attendees which further increased the total fund-raising.

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank Tabby, Charity, Kay, Becky and Tracy for their hard work in making this a successful event and congratulate them on the success in raising so much money for the organizations that have benefited from their hard work (last month, the ladies organized a similar event at the Tollesboro Lions Club that succeeded in raising \$1,213.48 for the March for Babies - organized by the March of Dimes - a national organization with the specific intent of leading the fight for the health of all moms and babies). They have organized a number of quarter auction events throughout various locations in the county over the past several years raising funds for various organizations and non-profits and the Tollesboro Lions Club commends their efforts.



# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB OFFERS FIVE SCHOLARSHIPS TO AREA YOUTH

The Tollesboro Lions Club has offered scholarships to FIVE local area youth to assist them as they endeavor to further their education. This year, there were twelve applications. All of the applicants were deserving individuals and the Club would have loved to have been able to help them all, but finally the Scholarship Committee narrowed the list to five recipients. The 2019 recipients include: Colleen Gibson, the daughter of Michael and Sylvia Gibson who plans to enroll at Maysville Community and Technical College; Rachel Henderson, the daughter of Shawn and Missy Henderson who plans to further her education at Maysville Community and Technical College; Beverly Sue Hutchinson, the daughter of Nathan and Kasey Hutchinson, who plans to enroll at Maysville Community and Technical College; Stoney Lykins, the son of John and Bridget Lykins, who plans to further his education at Northern Kentucky University; and Breanna N. Walker, the daughter of Bryan and Becky Walker, who plans to enroll at Maysville Community and Technical College.

The Tollesboro Lions Club offers their proud support to not only the scholarship recipients but to all of the applicants and hope nothing but the best for them as they enter the next important chapter of their young lives and hope that all of them meet their own individual goals and succeed to become successful members of the workplace and society.



Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig A. Stanfield presents Beverly Hutchinson a Tollesboro Lions Club Scholarship at Awards Day Event at her school May 21st, one of 5 scholarships offered to 2019 High School Graduates.



Stoney Lykins is shown being presented with a 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Scholarship Award from Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig A. Stanfield, one of 5 scholarships awarded by the Tollesboro Lions Club in 2019. Stoney plans to further his education attending Northern Kentucky University.

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB OFFERS FACILITIES FOR FUND-RAISER

The Tollesboro Lions Club was the place to be Saturday evening, June 21st, as a huge crowd gathered at a fund-raising event to support young Titus Miller. Titus is a 5 year old, the son of Jennifer Miller, and has struggled with a number of health issues since the day he was born.

“When he was born, he had a heart defect and they didn’t realize that until after he was born. So when he was 23 hours old, he had to have open heart surgery and he had a brain bleed during the surgery; so he had a grade four brain bleed, which he had a stroke when he was a day old,” Jennifer Miller said. In addition, Titus has since then been diagnosed with TAPVR, hydrocephalus, cerebral palsy, bilateral cataracts, aspiration pneumonia and scoliosis.

While Jennifer has ties to Mason, Fleming, Robertson and Harrison Counties, Jennifer grew up in Tollesboro and her parents still live and reside in Tollesboro. Jennifer Meadows, co-founder of Rip’s Farm Center in Tollesboro, organized the event, assisted by Luanne Applegate, Emily Thomas and Vickie Insko. The event was held under the large pavillion on the fairgrounds (and corresponded with the Summer Trade Days Flea Market Event conducted throughout the weekend at the fairgrounds), and several members of the Tollesboro Lions Club were on hand volunteering their assistance to insure the success of the event as well, assisting in the setup of the cooking equipment, preparing and cooking a significant portion of the food, setting up the event site with chairs, seating, and sound system for the event, as well as assisting with the auction. The fund-raiser started with a dinner at 5 pm., followed by a live auction conducted by Tollesboro Lions Club member and auctioneer Craig A. Stanfield of Craig A. Stanfield Real Estate & Auction Services at 6:30 pm (Craig was assisted by Eric Downs and Sanford Holbrook, all of whom volunteered their time and talents to the event), and lasted until the last items were sold around 9:30 pm. Many local businesses, as well as a significant number of individuals, contributed items to the auction; the high selling item was a hand-made quilt which sold for \$1,000. The event was a rousing success, exceeded everyone’s expectations, and raised a considerable sum of money to assist young Titus.

This event exceeded everyone’s expectations, as over \$30,000 was raised to assist young Titus and his family including the proceeds generated from the cookout/dinner, the auction event, and the collection of cash donations by businesses and individuals in support of the family.



***“AUCTION ACTION” - Craig Stanfield (center of photo) Auctioneer, Tollesboro Lions Club member) takes a bid as Eric Downs (microphone in hand) acts as auctioneer at the Titus Miller Fund-Raising Event. On far right (in black) is Sanford Holbrook who also acted as an auctioneer at the event. In gray t-shirt is Ritchie Cunningham, Tollesboro Lions Club member, who carried items to the purchasers. In background, Jennifer Meadows, an auction organizer and wife of Tollesboro Lions Club member Jim Meadows, readies the next item to be sold.***

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

Tollesboro Lions Club Past President Craig A. Stanfield performed the Installation of Officers Ceremony for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 at the June 24th Regular Meeting of the Tollesboro Lions Club and is shown handing over the Club's Gavel to newly installed Tollesboro Lions Club President Lee Thomas. Also shown are other officers who were installed during the Officer Installation Ceremony including (left to right): Clinton Applegate (Membership Chairman and 2 Year Director. Clinton just completed his term as Kentucky District 43-Y Zone Chairperson), Charlie Kendall (1 Year Director), Daymond Thomas ((Lion Tamer), Darrell Dixon (Club Administrator and Tail Twister), Steve Pedersen (Immediate Past President, Treasurer, LCIF Coordinator and Service Chairperson. Steve has been selected to serve as Lions Club Kentucky District 43-Y Zone Chairperson), Lee Thomas (2019-2020 President), Craig A. Stanfield (2 Year Director, Marketing & Communications Chairperson), Phil Cropper (Secretary), and Denny Hornback (2nd Vice President). Other officers not present when the photograph was taken include Anthony Wellman (1st Vice President), Jim Meadows (3rd Vice President), and Paul Hampton (1 Year Director).



*Newly installed 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Officers (left to right): Clinton Applegate, Charlie Kendall, Daymond Thomas, Darrell Dixon, Steve Pedersen, Lee Thomas, Craig Stanfield, Phil Cropper and Denny Hornback.*

# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR 62ND ANNUAL LIONS CLUB**

## **HORSE SHOW JULY 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>!!!**

*The 62nd Annual TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR & HORSE SHOW will be JULY 12 & 13, 2019, starting at 7:30 PM each evening. All members and exhibitor must abide by all rules of affiliations and suspension must be enforced. All entries must have negative Coggins test for 2019. If less than 3 horses will start with Second Place Money. The Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Horse Show is affiliated with the following organizations: (KY -HIO), (OVWHA), (CKHSA), (SCHA), (EKWRHA), (KAOFHS), (SSHAK). There will be 51 CLASSES offered between the two evenings, and classes will be offered for Spotted Saddle Horses, Road Horses, Road Pony, Mule Race, and Walking Horses. There will be 26 classes on Friday evening, July 12, 2019 and 25 classes on Saturday evening, July 13, 2019.*

*On Friday evening, the following classes will be offered:*

- 1. Stick Horse Sponsored By Desha's Restaurant Maysville*
- 2. Lead Line Sponsored By Professional Care Vanceburg, KY*
- 3. Trail Pleasure Sponsored By Glenda Himes Lewis County Clerk*
- 4. Juvenile Road Pony Sponsored By Us Bank Maysville, KY*
- 5. Open Pleasure (English Attire & Tack Or Western Attire & Tack) Sponsored By Spear & Blackburn Attorneys at Law At Law Vanceburg, KY*
- 6. Mountain Horse Trail Pleasure Sponsored By Bank Of Maysville*
- 7. All Day Pleasure Ladies Sponsored By Security Bank Of Maysville, & Mike Rice of Blue Licks KY*
- 8. 52 Inch & Under Road Pony Sponsored By Peoples Bank Flemingsburg & Maysville, KY*
- 9. Spotted Saddle Horse Juvenile Trail Pleasure Sponsored By Cheaps Chevrolet Buick Flemingsburg, KY*
- 10. All Day Pleasure Youth Sponsored By Mann Chrysler & Dodge Maysville, KY*
- 11. Speed Racking Horse Sponsored By Arrick's Propane KY & OH*
- 12. Mule Race Sponsored By Hometown Lumber Co. & Doug's Glass of Maysville, KY*
- 13. Mountain Horse Classic Sponsored By Mitsubishi Electrical Automotive Maysville, KY*
- 14. Amateur Road Pony Sponsored By Tire World Maysville, Vanceburg, Flemingsburg, KY*
- 15. Spotted Saddle Horse Country Pleasure \$30.00 \$175.00 Sponsored By Co. Judge Executive Todd Ruckel & Sandy Ruckel*
- 16. Lewis County Trail Horse Only Sponsored By KY Farm Bureau Lewis Co. Vanceburg, KY*
- 17. Spotted Saddle Horse Open Shod Sponsored By Gaydos Funeral Home Vanceburg, KY*
- 18. Juvenile Trail Pleasure Sponsored By Leslie Collier Advantage Plus Realty Vanceburg, KY*
- 19. All Day Pleasure Men Sponsored By Lewis Co. Sheriff Johnny Bivens*
- 20. 48 Inch & Under Road Pony Sponsored By Knox & Brothers Funeral Home Maysville, KY*
- 21. All Day Pleasure Ladies (English Attire Tack Or Western Attire & Tack) Sponsored By Mike's Body Shop Garrison, "AA" Hwy.*
- 22. Style Racking Horse Keg Shoe Sponsored By Brell And Son Funeral Home Maysville, KY*
- 23. Spotted Saddle Horse Trail Pleasure Sponsored By Woodmen Life Ins.*
- 24. Spotted Saddle Horse 4 And Under Trail Pleasure Sponsored By Primary Plus All Locations*
- 25. Trail Pleasure Championship Sponsored By Carmeuse Lime Co. Maysville, KY and Mark & Kim Ripato*
- 26. Road Horse To Bike Championship Sponsored By Standard Quick Print Maysville, KY & Brown County Construction Aberdeen, OH and friends, in Memory of Emerson Wallingford.*

*On Saturday evening, there will be 25 classes, as follows:*

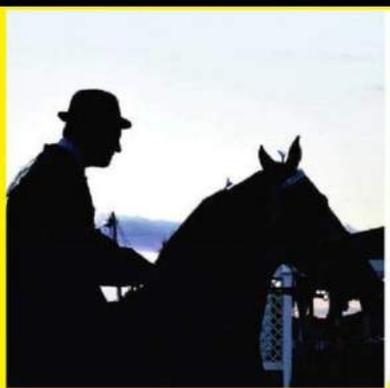
- 1. Stick Horse Sponsored By Desha's Restaurant Maysville*
- 2. Lead Line Sponsored By Maysville Ready Mix*
- 3. Open Two Year Walking Horse Sponsored By Sammy & Kathy Applegate In Memory Of John & Jeanette Applegate*
- 4. Ladies Only Country Pleasure Sponsored By Betty Ripato with prizes presented by Miles, Molly, Calley & Clara*
- 5. Trail Pleasure Walking Horse Sponsored By Louisville Dental Center Steve Jr. & Amanda Harris*
- 6. Open Shod Plantation Pleasure Horse Sponsored By Community Trust Bank Flemingsburg, KY*

7. 3 Open 3 Year Old Walking Horse Sponsored By Total Care Pharmacy Flemingsburg, KY
8. Amateur Owned & Trained Walking Horse Specialty Sponsored By A. W. Graham Lumber Flemingsburg, KY
9. Park Performance Horse Sponsored By Meadow Regional Hospital Maysville, KY
10. Juvenile Country Pleasure Horse Sponsored By Thomas Bertram Attorney At Law Vanceburg, KY
11. Open 15.2 And Under Walking Horse Specialty Sponsored By Fleming Mason Energy Co. Flemingsburg, KY
12. Mule Walk Favorite Gate Sponsored By Southern States Cooperative Maysville & Flemingsburg, KY
13. Show Pleasure Horse Sponsored By Tully Farms
14. Men Only Country Pleasure Horse Sponsored By Chuck Marshall Real Estate & Auction Service Flemingsburg, KY
15. Juvenile 17 & Under Walking Horse Sponsored By Boone Nickell Funeral Home Flemingsburg, KY
16. Ladies Amateur Walking Horse Specialty Sponsored By Young's Farm Machinery Flemingsburg, KY
17. Open Specialty Walking Horse Sponsored By Brian Payne State Farm Insurance, Maysville, KY
18. Juvenile 11 & Under Walking Horse Sponsored By Cassio Management McDonalds of Maysville & Flemingsburg, KY
19. Adult Walking Pony Sponsored By Lewis Co. Property Valuation Administrator Kenny Ruckel
20. Juvenile Walk & Favorite Gate Sponsored By Denham Medical Clinic Maysville, KY
21. Novice Walking Horse Sponsored By Stephens Trucking, Mt. Carmel KY
22. Open 4-Year Old Walking Horse Specialty Sponsored By Craig Stanfield Real Estate & Auction Services and Stanfield Auction Center, Tollesboro, KY
23. Amateur Walking Horse Specialty Sponsored By Osman Pharmacy Vanceburg
24. Country Pleasure Horse Championship Sponsored By Steve Jr. & Amanda Harris In Memory Of Steve & Pat Harris
25. Walking Horse Championship Sponsored By Rips Farm Center, Tollesboro, Darrell Fannin Trucking, Maysville KY & Back's Auto Auction. Ribbons & Trophy Donated By Douglas Wills Family In Memory Of Douglas Wills, And A Challenge Trophy In Memory Of Jesse & Glades Burton.

*The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to invite all exhibitors to attend the show, and we offer our most sincere thanks to all our individual class sponsors, with a special thanks to Citizens Deposit Bank. We also want to invite anyone and all fans to come out and encourage them to support our annual Horse Show!*



Mike Denham of Maysville guides his road pony around the show ring Saturday night (Sept. 15, 2018) during the Tollesboro Lions Club Fall Horse Show. Denham captured first place in his class. Bottom right: Ten-year-old Bella Tully riding 'CC Miss Priss' won her class also. She is the daughter of Tony and Mary Ann Tully of Tollesboro. Bottom left: Silhouetted by a setting sun, this contestant makes his way around the ring. Photo by the Ledger Independent



# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR 2019

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Tollesboro Lions Club is proud to present the schedule for the 62nd ANNUAL TOLLESBORO LIONS FAIR, to be JULY 12TH THRU JULY 20TH, 2019. The CARNIVAL will be set up Monday July 15 through July 20th!

Note that Wednesday, July 17th is LEWIS COUNTY FARM BUREAU NIGHT where fair admission is only \$10 / car load which includes carnival rides and an evening in which we have really packed in the events!!!

Event Co-Chairmen this year are Lee Thomas and Clinton Applegate and they have worked diligently to present an event-filled and entertaining fair schedule for all to enjoy!! This is the Tollesboro Lions Club main fund-raiser and we encourage everyone to please come out and support us by attending our annual fair.

If you haven't been out to the fair for several years, come around and look at all the improvements we have made to the fairgrounds. Our club has made significant investments of monies into our fairgrounds and community park to make our grounds more attractive and functional as well as providing for better accessibility and utility to the local community.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
<b><u>Friday, July 12, 2019</u></b>			
7:00 pm.	Tug Tractor Pull 3500-6000 lb. (weigh-in 5:30 pm)	Mark Conrad	(606) 748-4549
7:30 pm.	Saddle Horse Show	Chad Case	(606) 798-6247
<b><u>Saturday, July 13, 2019</u></b>			
8:00 am	Registration / 9:00 am	Walk Run/Walk	David Iery Foundation Carol Cunningham (606) 202-1883
7:00 p.m.	Tug Tractor Pull 6000-9000 lb. (weigh-in 5:30 p.m.)	Mark Conrad	(606) 748-4549
7:30 p.m.	Walking Horse Show	Chad Case	(606) 798-6247
<b><u>Sunday July 14, 2019</u></b>			
Line-Up 1:00 pm. / Parade 2:00 p.m.	Parade/Bicycle Parade	Steven Pedersen	(606) 301-1904
<b><u>Monday, July 15, 2019</u></b>			
7:00 p.m.	Demolition Derby	Jeremy Tully	(606) 748-2542
7:00 p.m. (weigh-in 6:00 pm.)	Youth Sheep & Goat Show	Mary Shoemaker	(606) 798-4113
<b><u>Tuesday, July 16, 2019</u></b>			
12 noon (receive entries) / 6:00 p.m.	Floral Hall	Nickie Applegate	(606) 584-5173
6:00 p.m.	Baby Show (birth to 18 months)	Carol Cunningham	(606) 202-1883
7:00 p.m.	Semi-truck Drag Racing	T. J. Palmer	(606) 407-5733
7:00 p.m.	Straight Rhythm Racing (Dirt Bike/ATV)	Lee Thomas	(606) 584-3327
7:00 p.m.	Hog Show (weigh in @6:00 p.m.)	Mary Shoemaker	(606) 798-4113
7:30 p.m.	Cutie Pie - 19-36 months	Lisa Wellman	(606) 798-4609
<b><u>Wednesday, July 17, 2019</u> <i>LEWIS COUNTY FARM BUREAU NIGHT, \$10 per car load-Including Rides</i></b>			
5:00 p.m.	Dairy Show	Clinton Applegate	(606) 782-2884
6:00 p.m.	Boys 3 on 3 Basketball	Phil Cropper	(606) 798-2320
6:00 p.m.	McKenzie Thomas from the VOICE	Jim Meadows	(606) 782-0410
6:00 p.m.	Gospel Singing with Tiffany Porter, God's Way, Gary & Brenda Hunt		
		Lisa Wellman	(606) 798-4609

6:30 p.m. Garden Tractor Pull  
7:00 p.m. Toddler Show – 3-4 years  
7:00 p.m. Truck/Car Dirt Drag Racing  
8:00 p.m. Little Miss & Mr. (couples only) 5-7 yrs.

Timmy Shoemaker (606) 584-4023  
Sarah Harris (606) 798-6344  
Terrell McCall (606) 202-3056  
Missy Henderson (606) 541-1002

**Thursday, July 18, 2019**

6:00 p.m. Steer Show (weigh-in 5:00 p.m.)  
6:30 p.m. ATV Drag Racing  
7:00 p.m. Mule/Pony/Horse Tug Pull  
7:30 p.m. Bluegrass/Gospel Concert  
7:30 p.m. Lions Queen Pageant (16-21 years)  
8:00 p.m. Beef Show

Phillip Konopka (606) 796-2732  
Terrell McCall (606) 202-3056  
Craig Stanfield (606) 301-3350  
David Hampton (606) 798-5556  
Betty Hampton (606) 798-6247  
Phillip Konopka (606) 796-2732

**Friday, July 19, 2019**

7:00 p.m. Miss Teen Pageant (13-15 years)  
7:00 p.m. Battle of the Bluegrass Truck Pull  
7:30 p.m. Mud Sling  
8:00 p.m. Miss Pre-Teen Pageant (8-12 years)

Beverly Pedersen (606) 202-1982  
Byron (859) 398-0279  
T.J. Palmer (606) 407-5733  
Crystal Thayer (606) 541-0652

**Saturday, July 20, 2019**

6:00 p.m. Kids Power Wheels Mud Sling  
7:00 p.m. Mud Sling / Mud Bog  
7:00 p.m. Lucas Pro Pulling League

T.J. Palmer (606) 407-5733  
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Matthew Meadows (606) 782-2373

**FAIR ADMISSION GATE - Admission \$5.00 / person for Friday, July 12th and Saturday, July 13th  
Gate Admission \$10.00 / Person Starting Monday July 15th through Saturday, July 20th RIDES  
INCLUDED.**

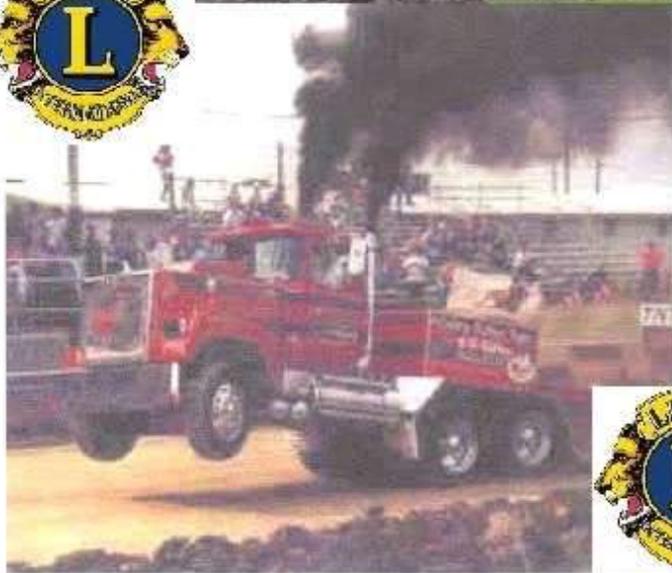
**FARM BUREAU NIGHT Wednesday, July 17th \$10 Per Car Load-Rides Included**

**FREE admission for children 3 & under - bracelets for rides for children 3 & under - \$5.00**

**FREE PARKING!!!!!!!!!!!!**

# 62nd Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair

JULY 12 THROUGH 20, 2019



## Concessions



# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SELECTED TO RECEIVE** **INTERNATIONAL PAPER FOUNDATION GRANT**

The Tollesboro Lions Club was selected by International Paper of Maysville to receive a \$5,000 grant for re-paving a portion of the Walking Track at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds Community Park.

In May, the Tollesboro Lions Club applied for assistance through International Paper. To apply for the grant, the club completed an online application describing the organization, its ties to the community, the proposed use of the grant funds, and other factors. The club applied for grant monies specifically to make paving improvements to the walking track which extends around the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds/Community Park. The walking track supports and promotes healthy living and the grounds are used by many persons for walking and jogging in order to improve health as well as build muscle and energy, recuperate, etc. Health and Wellness is one of four signature causes considered for assistance through the International Paper Grant Program. The application was reviewed locally where it received a positive review, and was then forwarded for executive consideration before being officially approved. On June 28th, the club was notified that they were one of the projects chosen as a grant recipient.

The Tollesboro Lions Club intends to add \$2,500 to the grant for a total project investment of \$7,500 to permit the repaving of 1,000 linear feet of the walking track (the walking track improvements will be made sometime after the conclusion of the 62nd Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair which will begin July 12th and run through July 20th with each night being event filled providing entertainment for the entire family). The club intends to make similar improvements to the walking track until the entire length has been repaved (it being the intention to spread out the repaving over several years so as to make future maintenance and repairs more feasible rather than to be hit with a huge cost prohibitive project in the future). This will be the second section of walking track to be repaved, the last project occurring in 2016 at which time the club was the recipient of IRP Funds in the amount of \$3,818.80 through the Buffalo Trace Area Development District (BTADD) through recommendations of the Lewis County Judge Executive Todd Ruckel, Mayor of Vanceburg Matt Ginn, and then Chairman of the BTADD (and at that time the Second Vice President of the Tollesboro Lions Club) Craig A. Stanfield. At that time, the Tollesboro Lions Club contributed \$3,681.20 to the project from their funds for a total project cost of \$7,500, sufficient to pave 1000 linear feet of the walking track.

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank International Paper for their consideration of the club as a recipient of the grant funds. The Tollesboro Lions Club has been very blessed to have good community partners (volunteers, individuals, local businesses, members, and organizations) who have provided significant financial contributions to the club that have permitted the organization to improve the fairgrounds/community park.

For additional information about the Tollesboro Lions Club, the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair, our fairgrounds/community park, check out our website at [www.tollesborolions.com](http://www.tollesborolions.com).

# PEOPLES BANK SUPPORTS TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB

Peoples Bank Vice President and Maysville Market Manager Tim Brannon (far right) and Sean Stewart Director of Marketing and Business Development (far left) presented a check to the Tollesboro Lions Club as 2019 Horse Show Class Sponsors. Present to receive the check were Tollesboro Lions Club members Lee Thomas (newly installed President) and Craig A. Stanfield. The Peoples Bank has been a proud supporter of the Tollesboro Lions Club and the Tollesboro Lions Club for many years.



*Check Presentation Peoples Bank to the Tollesboro Lions Club. Left to right: Sean Stewart of Peoples Bank, Tollesboro Lions Club members Craig Stanfield and Lee Thomas, and Tim Brannon of Peoples Bank.*

## TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIRGROUNDS SITE OF FARM BUREAU MEETING

The Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds/Community Park was the site of the 2019 Kentucky Farm Bureau District 9 Meeting; Jim Meadows, the current President of the Lewis County Farm Bureau, is a member of the Tollesboro Lions Club. The organization hosted the District 9 meeting in order to showcase the improvements that the organization has provided to the Tollesboro Lions Club as the Lewis County Farm Bureau has been a huge supporter of the Tollesboro Lions Club for many years. In addition to hosting "FARM BUREAU NIGHT" during the fair (where admission is only \$10 / carload), they are also sponsoring an appearance by Makenzie Thomas (singer from Wallingford, Fleming County, KY who appeared on Season 15, Jennifer Hudson's Team on "The Voice") during the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair, and have made several monetary contributions to the construction and expansions to the Livestock Barn/Showroom, have contributed to the construction of the elevated announcer's booth, and to the installation of the playground equipment on the fairgrounds. Kentucky Farm Bureau is celebrating it's 100th Year Centenary Anniversary this year and as such will have a restored 1919 Ford Pickup truck on the fairgrounds during the fair with a custom trailer. This 1919 Ford and custom trailer which is utilized to transport it, will be taken to various locations around the state, including the Kentucky State Fair, as the organization continues to commemorate it's 100th Year of Service. KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU is BIG ON COMMITMENT.



**TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB PLAYGROUND**  
**TOP 5 FINALIST IN GOVERNOR BEVINS & THE KENTUCKY**  
**ELECTRICAL COOPERATIVES**  
**"BEAUTIFY THE BLUEGRASS" INITIATIVE**

The Tollesboro Lions Club 2018 Playground Project was submitted through the Kentucky Electrical Cooperatives/ Kentucky Living magazine's "BEAUTIFY THE BLUEGRASS" Initiative, a partnership with Kentucky Governor Matt Bevins and has been selected as a TOP FIVE FINALIST. There were 28 submissions throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky for the 2019 project initiative.

The Tollesboro Lions Club installed a new playground last year and upon completion hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony Oct. 5th, 2018 with a meal and free t-shirts (the t-shirts were provided by the Lewis County Health Department with the logo "Walk With A Lion" to commemorate the event).

The new playground has ADA (Americans With Disabilities Act) approved features to provide for exercising, including an adult-rated wheelchair swing. In addition to the playground, the Tollesboro Lions Club Community Park offers a blacktopped walking track, baseball/softball field, and a basketball court to offer persons of all ages the opportunity to exercise to improve their fitness and health. The playground equipment includes a Play Smart 10 Structure (this piece of playground equipment is a large component that cost nearly 1/2 of the grant monies offered by the CDC and includes a variety of exercising equipment that is intended to work the muscles. Included on this one component are 3 slides, stairs, rock climbing wall, overhead ladder and more. Portions of this piece of equipment are ADA compliant); a 4 Seat Bouncing See Saw; a 3 Bay Commercial Swing Set; a 2 Bay ADA Swing Set (this is a handicapped accessible swing compliant with the Americans With Disabilities Act, and includes a swing that will accommodate a wheelchair); 8' Toddler T-Swing Set; a Geo-Dome Climber; and a 4 Post Superior Shade (24' x 30', 8' entry height, basically a shaded picnic shelter in place with picnic benches and trash cans provided as an area for adults to relax while watching their children use the playground equipment as well as an area where the family can eat healthy snacks and drinks so as to stay hydrated and under shade when necessary on hot days, as well as providing respite between showers on other days).

The cost of the completed playground equipment including the installation, the filter fabric, rubber mulch, concrete slabs for the picnic shelter and to provide for access to the handicapped accessible swings, as well as a concrete curb to keep heavy rains from washing away the mulch, etc., was over \$65,000 (however this figure does not include the cost of the new chain-link fencing which forms the northern boundary of the playground, which cost the Club an additional \$17,000!); however the Club was the fortunate recipient of a number of grants and donations, which permitted the club to make these significant improvements to the grounds and while resulting in adding only \$24,000 to the Club's debt. The Buffalo Trace Area Development District provided the Club with a loan through their Revolving Loan Fund.

Funding for the new playground was through a Center for Disease Control Grant through the USDA Cooperative Extension Service (this grant was in an amount of approximately \$35,000 which provided the playground equipment, shade structure, picnic tables and trash cans), an additional grant through the Lewis County Farm Bureau provided \$15,000 to cover the installation (due to the complexity of the equipment and as the equipment was to be utilized by young children, the club opted to hire a professional installation contractor rather than construct and setup the equipment themselves), with Meadows Excavating donating the site prep costs, with additional assistance from the Carmeuse Lime which provided gravel, and a host of others aiding in the construction and installation. The Club purchased filter fabric and rubber mulch which members of the Lions Club did install (\$10,000+). In addition, the Club opted to pour a concrete pad under the shelter and extending to the handicapped accessible swingset so as to permit wheelchairs to be wheeled easily onto the wheelchair unit. In addition to the construction and installation of

the playground, the Tollesboro Lions Club also installed chain-link fencing and had concrete curbing installed (\$3,000+) to reduce erosion and keep the rubber mulch in place.

The "Beautify the Bluegrass Initiative" is open to all individuals and organizations, public and private. 2019 marks the third annual Beautify the Bluegrass Initiative. All projects were required to be submitted online via forms found online at [www.KentuckyLiving.com](http://www.KentuckyLiving.com) by 6 pm (EST) June 28, 2019. After the deadline for the submission of projects passed, The Beautify the Bluegrass Committee, the public, and the Governor of Kentucky vote on the projects. The judging process first consists of reviews and recommendations by the The Beautify the Bluegrass Committee which reviews all submissions and considers a variety of factors, including how the improvements helped the community, the scope of the project, the participation of volunteers, and the overall effectiveness of the effort. The Committee is responsible to narrow from all submissions received to five finalists from public entries (and an additional three finalists from electric cooperatives). The public is then invited to vote from July 29th through Aug. 3rd online at [www.KentuckyLiving.com](http://www.KentuckyLiving.com) from among the top five finalists. The Governor of Kentucky selects the winner of the Governor's Award and the top Co-op project. The winner of the public voting that is not also the Governor's Award winner receives the Commonwealth Award. The award winners are announced at the Kentucky State Fair.

Governor of Kentucky Matt Bevin (or his representative) will travel to the site of the winning project to formally present the Governor's Award. Up to 200 participants and community members will be treated to lunch with the governor (and/or his representatives) provided by Kentucky Electric Cooperatives. The Governor's Award winner receives a plaque and will be featured in an issue of Kentucky Living magazine and KentuckyLiving.com. The winners of the Commonwealth Award and the Co-op Award each receive a plaque. All projects receive a certificate.

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank the Lewis County Health Department, the Lewis County Extension Agency, the Lewis County Farm Bureau, Carmeuse Lime, Kenny Meadows and Kenton Meadows (Meadows Excavating), The Center for Disease Control, County Judge Todd Ruckel, the board and staff of the Buffalo Trace Area Development District and the BTADD Revolving Loan Fund committee, and everyone who aided in acquiring grants and helping to aid in the installation, acquisition, and setup of the playground equipment, including our dedicated group of 28 Tollesboro Lions Club members. We have been truly fortunate as a small club to be blessed with so many supporters in our community. The membership of the Tollesboro Lions Club -- both past and present --- has always been aware that we could not accomplish what we have in the past 64 years of our existence without the AID OFFERED BY OUR COMMUNITY, VOLUNTEERS, LOCAL BUSINESSES, OUR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, ELECTED OFFICIALS, and FINANCIAL BACKERS THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. We take this opportunity to thank everyone who has ever offered support to any of our ventures, fair and non-fair events, and the fairgrounds!

**REMEMBER:** The public is invited to vote online from July 29th through Aug. 3rd at [www.KentuckyLiving.com](http://www.KentuckyLiving.com) from among the top five finalists. Please consider supporting the Tollesboro Lions Club by voting for their project during this time frame.



*Playground as Complete*

**KENTUCKY LIVING MAGAZINE/KENTUCKY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES CONTEST IN ASSOCIATION WITH GOVERNOR MATT BEVIN PRESENT THE 2019 BEAUTIFY THE BLUEGRASS CONTEST.FIVE FINALISTS INCLUDE TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB**

**Beautify the Bluegrass 2019 Finalists, KENTUCKY LIVING NEWS JULY 28, 2019**

Over the past year, hundreds of people all across Kentucky participated in the 2019 Beautify the Bluegrass, an initiative by Kentucky Living and Gov. Matt Bevin's office. Out of all of those projects, now is your chance to vote for the top project from among five finalists listed below.

Kentuckians are encouraged to come together to make their communities shine. The goal is to identify projects in local communities to repair, enhance or beautify.

The winner of the public vote wins the Commonwealth's Award. Gov. Bevin will select the Governor's Award from among the top five finalists. The winners will be announced on Aug. 22 during the "Best in Kentucky" awards show at the Kentucky State Fair. The overall winner will receive a barbecue dinner for 200, hosted by Gov. Bevin.

As a finalist, the Tollesboro Community Park/Fairgrounds was visited by a videographer who reviewed the grounds and the playground project (he even did a fly-over with a drone to show the size of the fairgrounds/community park; the visit coincided with the week of the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair, so he selected areas to include that did not show the carnival and the food booths but which did show the horse ring, the two pavilions and the majority of the buildings on the fairgrounds), met with and interviewed members of the Tollesboro Lions Club; Craig Stanfield and Steve Pedersen were present for interviews. He also took photos and video, and then put together an informational video that was posted on the Kentucky Living Magazine website for review by the public at large for voter consideration; the entire video takes less than 2 minutes to watch, with approximately 1 1/2 minutes of video showing the grounds and playground project.

There were 28 submissions throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky for 2019. The Top 5 Finalist Projects are described below. Voting ended 5 pm, August 5.

**Camp Kysoc, Carrollton**

Since November, 2018, teams of volunteers have worked to rehabilitate the grounds at "Camp Kysoc," a former Easter Seals Society facility that originally served special needs children. After years of disrepair and neglect, a group of volunteers formed a board to "Save the Soc."

Since then, more than 400 volunteers, from schoolchildren to seniors, have completed three major clean up days at Camp Kysoc, in addition to ongoing projects. Rehab efforts include cutting down and cleaning up dangerous trees, especially dead ash trees. Industries that sent volunteers included North American Stainless, Dorman Products, and Walmart. Dow Chemical donated safety equipment for the volunteers, as well as a flag pole.

“Camp Kysoc is a special facility in the hearts of many Kentuckians and members of our community. Although, it is likely it would not be used for its original purpose ever again, it is a beautiful park with paved trails, hiking, wildlife, and a lake for fishing and boating. It was a “diamond in the rough” with so much potential. The county budget did not have the funds to restore it, so it became a volunteer effort to make the camp functional again. We felt that the effort of volunteers demonstrated the importance of the camp to our county government, making it recognizable as a worthwhile use of county funds.”

“Camp Kysoc is a wonderful park with handicapped accessible trails available for walking, with facilities for fishing, boating, hiking, and enjoying nature. We have a vision that one day it will be able to be used as a camp for many different groups.”

### City of Covington

Every year, thousands of people from the six states that line the Ohio River gather on one day to clean up the littered banks of the very river that provides drinking water to those that live along it. The City of Covington, its residents, and Keep Covington Beautiful took to the Covington river banks to clean up 2,030 pounds of trash and recyclables on Saturday, June 15th.

Forty-five volunteers spent four hours of their weekend ankle-deep in mud and debris to rid the river bank of the numerous single-use plastics, tires, textiles, and other littered items. The result—a clean river bank, exhausted volunteers, and this corner of Kentucky beautified.

After months of planning and recruiting volunteers of all ages gathered for breakfast then got to work. Among the items discovered in the muck were buckets, a door, suitcases, and even a Radio Flyer wagon.

“Our goal for this event was to bring the community together to clean up the river bank. We were able to accomplish this goal as well as meet new people, get outdoors, have fun, and beautify Kentucky! We hope that we also left our community inspired to care for their community through other volunteer events and in their spare time.”

### Garland Bend Homeowners Association, Burnside

At a community meeting of the Garland Bend Homeowners Association, citizens decided to work on the Welcome to Garland Bend sign at the entrance of the community on State Route 804 (Garland Road). The association got a good response recruiting volunteers and got to work.

The plan included replacing rotting railroad ties with a stacked paver stone wall, thinning existing perennial plants and adding some annual flowers. The project took two days working five hours each day to complete. Ten area residents volunteered to help. Garland Bend is a long established area with many homeowners that take pride in where they live. Volunteers pick up trash along area roads weekly, two times a year furnished with a dumpster by Pride for a clean up of Garland Bend.

“The Welcome sign is at the entrance of the community and benefits everyone that enters the community. There is a boat ramp and a dock here and it draws visitors to the community.

“It took two days and five hours each day to complete the project. Our goal was to replace the rotting railroad ties with a paver stone wall and spruce up the planting area and to show that we take pride in beautifying Garland Bend, Burnside Kentucky.”

### Rodburn Hollow Park, Morehead

What started as a discussion during a Sustainable Morehead meeting evolved to the development of the

**Friends of Rodburn Hollow Park. Over the past year, 200 volunteers have worked to clean, clear, build, replace, improve, teach and learn. The longest part of the project is signage design, selection, construction and installation. These projects are expected to be complete by the end of summer. Friends have already spent over 40 hours on the project. The largest stage of the project has been general park cleanup including restoration of foot bridges, debris removal, trail improvements, painting and power washing.**

**As a Kentucky Trail Town, volunteers identified a strong need to sustain the park as a trail hub. There are several small walking trails and national trail access directly from the park. The park now hosts events with the Rowan County 4-H, the City of Morehead Parks and Recreation Day Camp attendees.**

**“Our overall goal is to promote, preserve and protect Rodburn Hollow Park.”**

**“While memories and sustainability were both major drivers in improving the park, improving knowledge of the park, physical fitness, getting kids out in nature and the park’s proximity to downtown ranked high among all involved. Rodburn is located inside the city limits of Morehead. People can take advantage of a peaceful oasis to picnic, explore, play in the creek, learn and exercise. The possibilities for this park are endless. This is a great place for kids to be kids and embrace the outdoors.”**

**Tollesboro Lions Club Community Park/Fairgrounds**

**Volunteers with the Tollesboro Lions Club Community Park/Fairgrounds worked to replace outdated playground equipment that dated to the 1950’s or 1960’s.**

**With a grant from the Center for Disease Control, volunteers erected a new handicapped accessible playground with state of the art equipment, rubber mulch, concrete curbing, and concrete walkways to permit wheelchair access to swings.**

**All site prep not requiring heavy equipment was performed by club members, including removal of the old playground, old fence, and the briars and brush that covered the old fence. Club members also installed the fabric and rubber mulch.**

**In all, the group invested more than \$75,000 on the project. Though some debt is financed through the Buffalo Trace Area Development District Revolving Loan Fund, the majority of the expense was covered by grants and community supporters.**

**“Organized 65 years ago, we are a very small Lions Club with 29 members. However we own our fairgrounds (20 acres) located on KY 10 and AA Hwy. A basketball court and a blacktop walking track continue the theme of healthy living. Our grounds also includes significant structural improvements necessary to host a first-class agricultural fair extending over 9 days each year. In the last 10 years, with the help of numerous local supporters, volunteers, and a number of grants, we have made between \$350,000 and \$500,000 in grounds improvements. A small but mighty force, we live the Lions Club International motto: We Serve.”**

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**ULTIMATELY, the Tollesboro Lions Club Project placed third in the online public vote (although spent time in first and running neck and neck between first and second for a few days before finally being eclipsed by the projects performed by the much larger communities of Carrollton and Morehead, while outpacing the the online votes garnered by the the remaining Top Five Finalist Projects in Covington and Burnside), the club was proud of it's efforts and was still hopeful that it's project would receive the Governor's Choice award. However, when awards were announced at the Kentucky State Fair, Aug. 23, 2019, CAMP KYSOC, Carrollton, Carroll Co., KY was chosen as the 2019 recipient of the Governor's Choice Award and RODBURN HOLLOW PARK, Morehead, Rowan Co., KY was selected as the 2019 recipient of the Commonwealth Award.**

# **RESULTS TUG TRACTOR PULL**

## **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR**

The 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair, the 62nd Annual event, started on Friday night July 12th this year. One of the events, the Tug Tractor Pull, consisted of a two night event, Friday and Saturday, July 12th and 13th, and was a rousing success again this year. This event has two winning categories in each class, a Percentage Weight category (weight of sled pulled on the scales divided by the weight of the tractor then longest distance pulled between tractors pulling highest percentages) and a Heavy Load category (whereby the longest distances pulled by the heaviest weight are winners). Participants pay an entry fee and then compete for bragging rights, cash, and a trophy in each category, with payouts and trophies going to first, second and third place in each category. While numerous entries can be on a single driver and while an individual driver may have multiple entries on the same tractor or spread out over a number of tractors, a tractor can only win one position (in other words, if two entries are leading on a single tractor, only the driver/entrant that has the longest distance or heaviest percentage wins on that tractor, with the next place falling to a different tractor/entrant. Thus two entries driving the same tractor cannot win first and second in either category and a tractor that wins heavy load cannot win percentage regardless of the mathematical statistics indicated); a driver may win multiple places provided that the driver has entered on different tractors and has the best record on each individual tractor. Drivers have two attempts to make a full pull of 10 feet. There is a lot of strategy involved, with weights moved from the front of the tractor to the rear or vice-versa, placement of the tractor when backing up to the sled, choosing where to place a tractor during the entry/drawing process, and many other factors.

The Friday night event, a class with tractors weighing between 3500 and 6000 pounds, included 77 drivers entering on tractors made by John Deere, Ford, Long, Case, Oliver and International Farmall and lasted until 3 am on Saturday morning. The class has two winning categories, Percentage and Heavy Load. In the end, the Percentage Winners all weighed 3500 pounds with first and second place pulling 228 percent of their weight (completing a pull of an 8,000 pound sled) with third place pulling 200 percent of their weight (3500 pound tractor pulling a 7,000 pound sled) with winners as follows: First Place Percentage Preston Northcutt on a John Deere B tractor; Second Place Percentage Tyler Cooper on a Case 430 tractor, and Third Place Percentage Jerry Ross on a John Deere 40 tractor. Heavy Load winners in the class all weighed in at 6000 pounds and was a very competitive event with 10 entries on 4 different tractors successfully pulling 10,000 pounds, then with 5 drivers on two tractors successfully pulling the sled the full distance at 11,000 pounds and then going on to hitch to the 12,000 pound sled where only one tractor/driver pulled the sled the full distance. First Place Heavy Load was won by Tyler Cooper on a Case 630 tractor; Second Place Heavy Load went to Preston Northcutt on a John Deere A tractor; Third Place Heavy Load went to C. B. Hester on a John Deere 2030 tractor.

The Saturday night event, a class with tractors weighing between 6000 and 9000 pounds, included 65 drivers entering on tractors made by John Deere, Ford, Long, Case, Oliver, International Farmall, Duetz, Massey Ferguson and Cockshutt and lasted until 2:45 am on Sunday morning. This class also has two winning categories, a Percentage Weight category and a Heavy Load category. In the end, the Percentage Winners all weighed 6000 pounds with first place pulling 200 percent of it's weight (completing a pull of an 12000 pound sled) with second and third place pulling 183 percent of their weight (successfully pulling an 11,000 pound sled) with winners as follows: First Place Percentage Tyler Cooper Case 630 tractor; Second Place Percentage Daulton Fryman John Deere A tractor, and Third Place Percentage Tanner Hord on an International Farmall 400 tractor. Heavy Load winners in the class all weighed in at 9000 pounds with first and second place succeeding in pulling a 14,000 pound sled the full distance with third place pulling a 13,000 pound the full distance (third place went to the entry pulling the 13,000 pound sled the longest distance that was short of a full pull). After hitching the two leaders to a 15,000 pound sled, the winners

were determined as follows: First Place Heavy Load was won by Roger Neal on a Duetz 8006 tractor; Second Place Heavy Load went to Bob Lykins on a Case 870 tractor; and Third Place Heavy Load went to Kirk Alexander on a John Deere 720 tractor.

At 3 am, 9 entries on 3 tractors, all of which were Olivers (an 1855 wide front, an 1855 tricyle front, and an 1850 wide front) paid to have a fun pull on heavier tractors weighing 10,500 to 12,500 pounds, where they hitched to the sled and pulled until 4 am, no trophies, no pay-out, and no real winner determined, just having a little fun on heavier tractors and supporting the Lions Club (there are not enough heavy tractor pullers in the area to make a class that would so much as break even, thus these guys (and a gal too) just wanted to hitch up their big tractors and play a little).



With front wheels off the ground, Tyler Cooper of Tollesboro on a Case 700 weighing 9,000 lbs. is hitched to the sled during the Tug Tractor Pull Saturday Night (actually in the early morning hours of Sunday morning) during the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair. Tyler was the percentage class winner, although on a Case 630 tractor weighing 6000 pounds.

# 2019 TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR PARADE A ROUSING SUCCESS!!!

## FRANCES POLLEY 2019 PARADE GRAND MARSHALL!!

The 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Parade made it's annual appearance once again, Sunday, July 14th. The Parade left the grounds of the Tollesboro Lions Club at 2:00 pm, traveled east of KY 10 through the center of town to the Citizens Deposit Bank, where the Parade then turned before returning to the Fairgrounds. Frances Polley, long retired but beloved Tollesboro Elementary School teacher and the 1995 Tollesboro Lions Club Citizen Of The Year, was selected as the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade Grand Marshall was Frances Polley, beloved elementary school teacher.

The Parade was a long parade, with over 150 vehicles, bikes, semi-trucks, fire-trucks, antique cars, on motorcycles and ATVs, on horses and mules, on numerous floats (possibly the largest number of floats ever in the Parade!), Shriners on their wild vehicles, and more. The Parade end was not in sight -- not even close -- before the first half was already back to the center of town, at which time both lanes of the roadway were in use. While there may have only been 150 items in the parade, many had more than 1 person, some included large groups, as the actual number of persons participating in the Parade must have been between 500 and 750 persons based upon the number of cups of drinks passed out at the intersection of KY 10 and KY 57, the half-way point of the parade, where for the 16th consecutive year, Craig and Beverly Stanfield of Stanfield Real Estate and Auction Services -- with the help of a number of volunteers -- handed out more than 500 cups of drinks using 16.5 gallons of 18 gallons prepared of tea, lemonade and orange drink and using 220 pounds of ice for drinks and to cool the drinks down --- to parade participants, with many participants passing on the cold drinks as --- due to the heat and temperature -- many brought their own!!!

The Parade was viewed by hundreds (if not thousands!) of persons lining up the parade route: on porches of homes, under trees in yards, under tents set up in yards (several residents routinely have meals and invite family and friends, offering a place to view the Parade and set up their chairs under tents and trees to provide cover and shade on Parade Day, a huge event for the community, a day where the population swells to 3 or 4 times the community's population), at business parking areas and church parking lots, with kids at the ready, eagerly awaiting the opportunity to fill their sacks with candies and other goodies thrown from the parade participants.

A children's decorated bicycle contest was also held Sunday in coordination with the Parade with several entries.



*Frances Polley, the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade Grand Marshall.*



*Children with some of the Decorated Bikes 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade*

## **TAYLOR LEACH 2019 TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR** **QUEEN**

*On Thursday evening, July 18<sup>th</sup>, Taylor Leach, Contestant # 15, was selected as the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Queen at the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair. The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to wish Taylor the best of luck in the State Fair Competition!*



# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR DEMOLITION DERBY**

## **AN EXCITING EVENT**

The Demolition Derby Monday Night July 15th at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair was a great event! To start off the evening, the Kids Power Wheels Class, where 11 entries tried their driving skills in the pit. In the end, all 11 were winners and all received a trophy and a t-shirt compliments of Threads & Ink, Tony and Debbie Hunt.

Raffle tickets were sold on the fairgrounds on Monday night (these tickers were only sold on the date of event as the winner had to be present to win as the lucky person who's name was drawn won the opportunity to actually compete in the demolition derby in a car provided for the event). Just prior to the beginning of the Compact Class, Jon Kendall's name was drawn from the tickets sold and came down from the large crowd to enter the contest. It was his first time competing in a demolition derby and he was to try his skills against 9 other competitors all of whom had prior experience in the event.

There were 10 compact cars in the class and each entry made their way into the pit. The countdown began, and the flags waved to signify the start of the event. The competitors really put on a good show and after a bit of banging and clanging, six cars were eliminated, with the final 4 cars remaining all "in the money"! Surprisingly, the first of the four cars to finally be eliminated (thus placing fourth) was the car driven by Jon Kendall --- the Raffle Car!! His winnings were more than the costs of his tickets, so he not only won the opportunity to drive the raffle car, but by making it to the final four, got to "play for free!!!".

A short while later, with it down to three cars, Tyler Moore's car finally gave out, giving him third place. Then it was down to the final two, and there was a lot of room left in the pit for these two drivers to skillfully go at each other, putting on a little cat and mouse show before finally getting down to it and DID THEY PUT ON A SHOW!!! From hard back to back hits, to "playing chicken" and crashing head-on, then repeating and trying it again, really putting on a show that was appreciated by the crowd in attendance lining up the bleachers in front of the pit. Finally Chris Shelton's car was hit broadside and was pushed against the bank, still running but stuck. But it wasn't over, as he taunted the other car, driven by Daulton Lewis to "come and hit me" hoping to get away from the bank in which he was trapped, and when that didn't happen, taunting and daring the other driver again to "come and hit me again" over and over until his car was just a twisted piece of scrap metal that will take an incredible amount of repair before ever being put to the test again (IF it can be repaired to a state to where it could ever make it as a demolition derby car again!!!). A wild scene indeed and the crowd erupted approvingly when the cars were finally put to rest and the event ended. In the end, the winners were announced as follows: 1st Place Compact Car Class went to driver Daulton Lewis; second place went to Chris Shelton; Third Place went to Tyler Moore, and Fourth Place, driving the raffle car, went to Jon Kendall. The Mad Dog Trophy, the driver who was judged to have made the most significant attacks and hits, went to the first place driver Daulton Lewis. He and Chris Shelton did the most damage to the other cars and put on a great show, giving their cars all they wanted and more! Revved up engines, hard hits, steam and smoke rolling, bumping, clanging, crashing and bashing, parts left all over the pit! This class was exciting and enjoyed by all.

While no cars this year caught on fire and thankfully no drivers were injured, the Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank the Tollesboro Volunteer Fire Department and the Portsmouth Ambulance Service for their presence on the grounds as this event can be unpredictable and even dangerous, even when considering the safety practices required on the cars.



*Photo above shows youngsters enjoying themselves while participating in the Power Wheels Demolition Derby.*



*2019 Demolition Derby ACTION 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair. The drivers put on a GREAT SHOW!!!*

# LEWIS COUNTY FARM BUREAU SPONSORS

## MAKENZIE THOMAS APPEARANCE

### AT TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR

Makenzie Thomas (from Season 15, "THE VOICE", Team Jennifer Hudson, who had a phenomenal run on the show, finishing just outside the Top 4), now 21 years of age, a resident of Wallingford, Fleming Co., Kentucky, is shown during her performance on-stage under the Pavilion at the Tollesboro Lions Club during the 62nd Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair, Wednesday evening, July 17th. Makenzie performed a number of songs, including songs performed on "THE VOICE", gospel hymns, and more!

The Lewis County Farm Bureau sponsored Makenzie's appearance at the Fair. In addition, Wednesday evening was also Lewis County Farm Bureau Night at the Fair, with admission just \$10 / carload including rides! The Lewis County Farm Bureau has been a huge supporter of the Tollesboro Lions Club, an Elite Sponsor of the Fair and contributing to numerous expansions of the Livestock Barn, construction of the elevated announcer's booth, providing a much needed grant last year for the installation of the new playground installed upon the Fairgrounds, and more! Of special note, Kentucky Farm Bureau celebrates it's 100 Year of Service this year and a restored 1919 Ford pickup was present as a backdrop behind Makenzie during her performance to honor their Centennial Milestone.

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank the Lewis County Farm Bureau for all their support and want the public to know that the Lewis County Farm Bureau - like the Kentucky Farm Bureau - is **BIG ON COMMITMENT!!!**



*Photo shows Makenzie Thomas performing at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair. In the background is the restored 1919 Kentucky Farm Bureau Pickup truck.*



# **PONY, MULE & HORSE PULL AT** **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIR**

The Pony, Mule and Horse Pull at the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair was put on by the BLUEGRASS PONY & MULE PULLERS ASSOCIATION on Thursday, July 18th. With a slight delay due to heavy rains about 4 pm Thursday, the event started at 7:30 PM and ended approximately 10:30 PM. This marks the first advertised pony and mule pull in many years, as it has been several decades since the last such pull was conducted on the fairgrounds during the fair except for last year's event which was an "unadvertised special" that was well-received by the people who happened to be at the Fair who really took an interest with nearly as many people watching last year's unadvertised event as watched this year's event. However the event was very well-received, was watched by a good number of spectators, with calls coming in to inquire about the event from all over. The heavy rain in the late afternoon probably impacted the crowd, and slightly impacted the number of participants as two pulling teams more distanced from the fairgrounds opted not to come after heavy rains pummeled the grounds. However the members of the Bluegrass Pony and Mule Pullers Association indicated that the heavy rains did not impact the gravel track upon which the event was held (the event was moved from the Tractor Pulling Track, which was muddy, to a portion of the Horse Show Ring where the pull was conducted on fine gravel).

There were 2 classes offered by the Bluegrass Pony and Mule Pullers Association, and they graciously agreed to allow the Tollesboro Lions Club to add a third Open class as the Club was approached by persons wanting to see larger equine, both horses and mules, hitched to the sled to compete (which is quite an ordeal as the larger animals push the limits of the sled, requiring block to be laid quite high on the sled, almost to the sled's maximum; if more teams - particularly larger teams - competed, the Tollesboro Lions Club would have had to bring a sled over from the tractor pull track to insure that enough weight was available to finish the pull). Classes I and II were double-overweight classes and membership in the Bluegrass Pony and Mule Pullers Association was required. Class III, the open class, was a single over-weight class, for heavier teams, and membership in the Bluegrass Pony and Mule Pullers Association was not required.

A "team" consists of a 2 animal pair of ponies or mules (or horses in Class III). In addition, a pulling "team" may be the name of the owners in the event that the two animals making up the team are owned by different individuals, as in the case of some teams where the left equine animal is owned by one individual and the right equine animal is owned by a different individual, or in the case that a team of equine is owned in partnership by a team. In either case, you would then have a pulling team driving a team of equine animals); weights are the combined weight of the two animals (this weight is the that of the animals without harness). In Class 1, teams must weigh a minimum combined weight of 950 pounds (eliminating participation by "miniature" teams) and a maximum combined weight of under 1,650 pounds. Class 2 teams must have a combined weight between 1650 and 2250 pounds. The Open Class was for larger animals, with teams weighing a combined weight of at least 2250 pounds. The Open Class included two horse teams, weighing 2,850 pounds and 3,145 pounds, with the largest team consisting of a pair of mules tipping the scales at 3,380 pounds. Teams were to pull the sled a distance of 15' (in Class I, a full pull is a distance of 12') between lanes 14' in width for a "full pull" which would allow them to advance to the next round. A team would have two "hooks" to pull the sled a combined distance of 15 feet (12' in Class I). If a team failed, they could then "spot the sled" to an area of their choosing on the track and make a third attempt to get a full pull. Or alternatively, they could opt to "spot the sled" and waive their first two hooks in an attempt to go the full distance (this option to permit the team to save their strength for a better location on the pulling track). Basically while not calculated as a percentage, this is still a percentage pull in essence, as blocks were added to the sled as needed between hitches if the next team to pull were heavier than the previous team to pull, only removing blocks from the sled between heats if required in the event that the weight between the heaviest team in the class and the lightest team in the class

warranted the removal of blocks; thus in each Class, teams pull small to large so that blocks are only added when required. All participants were from Kentucky, with pulling teams traveling to the fairgrounds from Lexington, Lawrenceburg, Dry Ridge, and Crittenden to compete. Class I had 4 entries; Class II had 4 entries (in addition, a 5th pulled hitched to the sled in Class II to help the show and to practice his team, a team weighing 2,850 pounds and not eligible to win or place in the event); Class III had 3 entries. In Classes I and II, prize money and trophies went to the Top 3 pulling teams. The Open Class was a 100 percent payback, winner take all, with trophies provided to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners.

**CLASS I:** First Place was the Harp & Purvis Team of Pete and Mac of Lexington and Paris, KY, David Purvis Driver, team weighing 1,642 pounds pulling a sled weighing 4,650 pounds the full 12' distance. Second Place was Worm Thompson's team of Claire and Oscar of Lawrenceburg, KY, Jaden O'Neill Driver, team weighing 1,318 pounds hitched to a sled weighing 4,010 pounds the greatest distance without a full pull, with their last full pull being a sled weighing 3,370 pounds. Third Place went to the Ballard and Ballard team of Bill and Dick of Lexington, KY, Jamie Ballard Driver, team weighing 1,650 pounds, hitched to a sled weighing 4,650 pounds, with their last full pull a sled weighing 4,010 pounds. Fourth Place went to the Butch Beasley team of Tiny and Pat of Lawrenceburg, KY, Jaden O'Neill Driver, team weighing 1,321 pounds, hitched to sled weighing 4,050 pounds, 3,410 the weight of the sled that they last pulled the full distance of 12 feet.

**CLASS II:** First Place was the Purvis and Kane Team of Caddy and Tim of Lexington, KY, weighing 2,219 pounds pulling a sled weighing 5,090 pounds the full 15' distance. Second Place, also a Purvis and Kane Team of Lexington, went to Patch and Buck with a combined weight of 2,184 pounds pulling a 5,010 pound sled the full 15' distance. In Third Place was the Beasley and Thompson Team of Lawrenceburg, KY consisting of Claire and Pat with a combined weight of 1,650 pounds, the heaviest sled pulled the full distance weighing 3,650 pounds, and hitched to a heavier sled that they pulled short of a full pull. In Fourth Place, also a Beasley and Thompson Team of Lawrenceburg, KY, made up of Tiny and Oscar, with a combined weight of 1,650 pounds, the heaviest sled pulled the full distance by the team was 3,250 pounds. NOTE: In Class II, both teams placing third and fourth moved up in weight to pull in the class, with neither of these teams actually weighing 1650 pounds, but as 1650 pounds was the minimum weight for the class, their performance was based upon the minimum class weight of 1650 pounds. NOTE ALSO: In Class II, a heavier team with Jason O'Neill the driver, pulled unofficially for the benefit of the crowd and to give his team some practice as this team had not pulled together since last year. This team was not eligible for placing in the class.

**CLASS III:** In the Open Class, First Place went to the Jason O'Neill Team out of Dry Ridge, KY consisting of Prince and Rock, weighing 2,850 pounds and pulling a 6,410 pound sled 13'4" for the win. Second Place went to Shorty Adam's Mule Team of Beck and John of Crittenden, KY, weighing 3,380 pounds and hitched to a 6,970 pound sled which they pulled a distance of 10' 5" (3 feet shy of the win, the only team of mules in the competition). Third Place went to the Jason O'Neill Team of Dick and Charlie, of Dry Ridge, KY, weighing 3,145 pounds, hitched to a 6,010 pound sled.

The Pony and Mule Pull was a success and contracts are already in place to host the event again next year! Look for it in next year's schedule and be sure not to miss it! It is a great event!!!

Collage on the following page features class winners and other action photos from the Pony/Mule/Horse Pull at the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair.



Photo collage from the Pony/Mule/Horse Pull Thursday evening, July 18th, at the 2019 62nd Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair. Top left: Class II winners, the team of Purvis and Cane of Lexington, Kentucky with their horses Caddy and Tim. Top Right: The winners of Class I, the team of Harp and Purvis of Lexington and Paris, Kentucky with their team of Pete and Mac. Middle Row, Left: Class III (the Open Class) winners, Prince and Mac, the team of Jason O'Neill of Dry Ridge, Kentucky. Middle Row, Right: Team of horses "in action" during Thursday evening's event. Bottom Row, Left: Team of Mules, Beck and John "in action" hitched to the sled during the Open Class, Class III. Bottom Row, Right: 80 yr. old Shorty Adams with his 3380 lb. team of mules, Beck and John. John is a 13 yr. old 17.2 hand Jack; Beck a 10 yr. old 17 hand Jenny. This team came from Crittenden, KY. Shorty was a pleasure to talk to (as are all the pony and mule pullers; they truly love to talk about their craft), and talked about how hard it is to find a good big mule today and how expensive they are when you find one (a good mule today can cost thousands of dollars). He also stated that he purchased his first mule for \$40 when he was about 13 years old.

# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB HOSTS DISTRICT DAIRY SHOW** **DURING ANNUAL FAIR**

On Wednesday, July 17th, the Tollesboro Lions Club hosted the District Dairy Show. This event was held on the grounds of the Tollesboro Lions Club the same day as the Tollesboro Lions Club Dairy Show, but held Wednesday morning prior to the annual fair event. This is the first time that the Tollesboro Lions Club has hosted the event. The event was a success and was convenient (and efficient) for the show-persons whom were going to show their dairy animals at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair event following the District Show.

## **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB RECEIVES** **INTERNATIONAL PAPER FOUNDATION GRANT**

The Tollesboro Lions Club was selected by International Paper of Maysville to receive a \$5,000 grant for re-paving a portion of the Walking Track at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds Community Park.

In May, the Tollesboro Lions Club applied for assistance through International Paper. To apply for the grant, the club completed an online application describing the organization, its ties to the community, the proposed use of the grant funds, and other factors. The club applied for grant monies specifically to make paving improvements to the walking track which extends around the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds/Community Park. The walking track supports and promotes healthy living and the grounds are used by many persons for walking and jogging in order to improve health as well as build muscle and energy, recuperate, etc. Health and Wellness is one of four signature causes considered for assistance through the International Paper Grant Program. The application was reviewed locally where it received a positive review, and was then forwarded for executive consideration before being officially approved. On June 28th, the club was notified that they were one of the projects chosen as a grant recipient.

The Tollesboro Lions Club intends to add \$2,500 to the grant for a total project investment of \$7,500 to permit the repaving of 1,000 linear feet of the walking track. The club intends to make similar improvements to the walking track until the entire length has been repaved (it being the intention to spread out the repaving over several years so as to make future maintenance and repairs more manageable rather than to be hit with a huge cost prohibitive project in the future). This will be the second section of walking track to be repaved, the last project occurring in 2016 at which time the club was the recipient of IRP Funds in the amount of \$3,818.80 through the Buffalo Trace Area Development District (BTADD) through recommendations of the Lewis County Judge Executive Todd Ruckel, Mayor of Vanceburg Matt Ginn, and then Chairman of the BTADD (and at that time the Second Vice President of the Tollesboro Lions Club) Craig A. Stanfield. At that time, the Tollesboro Lions Club contributed \$3,681.20 to the project from their funds for a total project cost of \$7,500, sufficient to pave 1000 linear feet of the walking track.

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank International Paper for their consideration of the club as a recipient of the grant funds. The Tollesboro Lions Club has been very blessed to have good community partners (volunteers, individuals, local businesses, members, and organizations) who have provided significant financial contributions to the club that have permitted the organization to improve the fairgrounds/community park and wish to extend their thanks to all who aided the Club in its endeavors.

For additional information about the Tollesboro Lions Club (history, projects, contributions to community, officers and members, annual fair/parade/horse show/events, the fairgrounds/community park, our newly installed playground, etc.) check out their website at [www.tollesborolions.com](http://www.tollesborolions.com).



*International Paper Mill Manager Doug Wadley presents a \$5,000 check to current and past presidents of the Tollesboro Lions Club: Current President Lee Thomas, Immediate Past President Steve Pedersen and Past President Craig A. Stanfield (who completed and submitted the grant application).*

## TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SUPPORTS AREA YOUTH

The Tollesboro Lions Club donated \$500 to the LEWIS CO. 4-H BOOSTERS to support youth (4-H and FFA) livestock exhibitors from Lewis County, Kentucky showing livestock at the Germantown Fair. While Lewis County youth generally number among the fewest exhibitors by county at the Germantown Fair (other counties represented include Mason, Fleming, Bracken and Robertson Counties), Lewis County youth exhibitors typically receive higher average support dollars due to the generous support provided by Lewis County individuals, organizations, and businesses in support of the Lewis County livestock exhibitors, as those monies made available are distributed to support each Lewis County youth individual. Tollesboro Lions Club member Clinton Applegate, occasionally assisted by other members of the club, as well as Mary Shoemaker who helps put on the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair livestock shows each year, are present during the event to represent the Lewis County 4-H Boosters at the Germantown Fair Livestock Auction to bid in support of Lewis County livestock youth exhibitors, and the livestock auction is conducted by Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig A. Stanfield.

**LEWIS COUNTY 4-H/FFA YOUTH LIVESTOCK BOOSTERS**

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB TO HOST TRADE DAYS & FLEA MARKET EVENT SEPT 12 through 15

The Tollesboro Lions Club will have Trade Days on the weekend of Sept. 12 through Sept. 15, (Friday through Sunday) 2019 at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds/Community Park setting up along the road frontage of KY 9. If you have items to trade or sell, this is the place to be!!! Or if you are in the market for a few items, you need to come and check out what others are offering. You may have a treasure and not know it!

The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Businesses and Individuals are invited to make arrangements to set up to sell (NO FOOD VENDORS AS FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT EACH EVENT, HOWEVER BAKED GOODS AND HOMEMADE GOODS ARE WELCOME!), LIMITED ELECTRICAL HOOKUPS AVAILABLE. To reserve exhibit space, contact Richard "Skeeter" Shaw (606) 798-6134 or (606) 356-8043.



A large number of vendors was set up the weekend of Sept. 12-15, 2019 at the Fall Trade Days at the Tollesboro Lions Club as evident in this photo taken Sunday from KY 9 (the AA Hwy).

## TWO UPCOMING MUD SLING EVENTS TO BE HELD AT TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB

Two always popular Mud Sling events will be held at the Tollesboro Lions Club Community Park & Fairgrounds on two successive weekends in September!

On Saturday, September 14th, Hall's Motorsports will be conducting a Tollesboro Lions Club Points Run Mud Sling, their last points run event of the season! This event will be a Kentucky State Points Series Mud Event and will include classes for trucks, custom vehicles, as well as ATVs.

Truck classes will include: 4 & 6 Cylinder pay-out 1st - \$85, 2nd - \$60, 3rd - \$35, 4th - \$20. Hot Stock pay-out 1st - \$85, 2nd - \$60, 3rd - \$35, 4th - \$20. County & Surrounding pay-out 1st - \$85, 2nd - \$60, 3rd - \$35, 4th - \$20. Street Stock pay-out 1st - \$85, 2nd - \$60, 3rd - \$35, 4th - \$20. NOTE: If a class has less than 8 trucks, payout will be 100% payout. Entry fees for Truck Classes are \$15 for one run or \$25 for two runs. ProStreet Payout 1st - \$125, 2nd - \$90, 3rd - \$55, 4th - \$25. Super Stock 1st - \$200, 2nd - \$125, 3rd - \$75, 4th - \$50. ProStock - 1st - \$275, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100, 4th - \$60. Modified 1st - \$325, 2nd - \$225, 3rd - \$125, 4th - \$75, 5th - \$50. Entry fees are \$20 for one run or \$30 for two runs.

There will be 6 ATV classes (for 2WD as well as 4WD) PLUS a Kid's Class. Entry fees for ATV classes are \$20 for one run and \$30 for two runs. ATV classes will receive prize money and trophies for first, second and third place.

For additional information, contact James "J. F." Hall, Hall Motorsports (859) 983-5692. Check them out online at [www.halls-motorsports.net](http://www.halls-motorsports.net).

Admission \$10. Free Parking. Concession stand will be in operation on the grounds to serve food and drinks. Hope to see you there!

On Saturday, September 21st, the Tollesboro Lions Club will host an Open Mud Sling Event! Tech will

start at 5 pm., racing scheduled to begin at 7 pm.

Classes to include the following: Super-Stock pay-out 1st - \$250, 2nd - \$175, 3rd - \$100. Pro-Street, pay-out 1st - \$200, 2nd - \$100, 3rd - \$75. Street-Stock - 100% Payback 4/6 Cylinder 100% Payback Mud Bog Class 1, 36+ and under, 100% payback.

Mud Bog Class II, 36" and up, 100% payback. Mud Bog 4/6 Cylinder, 100% payback.

For questions or additional information, contact T. J. Palmer 606 407-5733.

Entry Fee \$30. Admission \$10. Free Parking. Concession stand will be in operation on the grounds to serve food and drinks. Hope to see you there!



*Some Mud Sling Action at the Tollesboro Lions Club!!!*

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FAIRGROUNDS SITE OF 2019 LEWIS MASON RELAY FOR LIFE EVENT

The LEWIS-MASON RELAY FOR LIFE, an awareness and fund-raising event jointly hosted by the Lewis County and Mason County American Cancer Societies, was held at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds, Saturday, August 24th, 2019. This is the second consecutive year that the American Cancer Societies of Mason and Lewis Counties joined together to host the event, and the second consecutive year that the event has been conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds, an ideal location for the event as the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds is located nearly equidistant to the county seats of both host counties, Vanceburg (the county seat of Lewis County, KY) and Maysville (the county seat of Mason County), each located less than 15 miles (Vanceburg to the east, Maysville to the west) from the event site. In addition, the fairgrounds has a walking track in place, restroom facilities, benches and trash cans in place along the walking track route, and has pavilions located nearby for shade or cover in the event of rain, as well as for seating during the opening and closing event ceremonies. The event included an Opening Ceremony, a Survivor's Caretaker's Walk, the Team Walk, a Luminaria Ceremony, and a Closing Ceremony. The event was well attended and deemed a great success. The Top 5 Fund Raising Teams were: First Place: Rip's Farm Center of Tollesboro, KY raising \$4,170.50; Second Place: Carmeuse Lime & Stone \$3,565; Third Place: Tollesboro Christian Church raising \$2,281.03; Fourth Place: Primary Plus raising \$2,141.20; and Fifth Place: Meadowview Regional Medical Center raising \$1,985. While the event was a success and raised \$24,667.86, monies raised were short of their goal of \$30,000.



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**RELAY FOR LIFE**  
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*Plenty of action to be found at the RELAY FOR LIFE event at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds Aug. 24, 2019.*

# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB MEMBERS PERFORM**

## **VISION SCREENING AT KY STATE FAIR**

Tollesboro Lions Club members attended the KY State Fair to volunteer their services to promote the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation (KLEF) perform free vision screening services. The KLEF has offered and performed free vision screening at the KY State Fair for many years. The vision screening is performed as a series of tests, set up in 4 stations. In Station 1, testing determines the vision distance reading (such as 20/20 for good vision capabilities) and is the testing station in which Tollesboro Lions Club members Clinton Applegate and Steve Pedersen volunteered their time Thursday afternoon/evening, Aug. 22nd, and Friday afternoon/evening, Aug. 23rd, from 3 pm to 8 pm each day. In Station # 2, peripheral vision (side to side, up and down capabilities with the eyes focused on a central point) testing is performed. Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig Stanfield volunteered his time performing this test, Sunday, Aug. 25th, the early shift, from 9 am to 3 pm. In Station 3, air pressure glaucoma testing is performed. Glaucoma is an eye condition caused by abnormally high pressure in the eyeball that can cause damage to the optic nerve, and is one of the leading causes of blindness for persons over age 60. In Station 4, the results of the 3 vision screening tests performed in Stations 1 through 3 are reviewed and assessed, with recommendations made as necessary. A KidSight vision screening service is also offered free during the fair for children ages 6 months to 6 years of age (this process involves a trained Lions Club member using a high tech screening device to examine the eyes for vision anomalies so that referrals can be made to professionals to insure that corrective measures can be made before correctable vision problems worsen or become permanent). 3,380 persons were provided with free vision screenings by volunteers at the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation State Fair booth in 2019, 813 of which were conducted on youth from 6 months to 6 years of age.

Lions Clubs originated over 100 years ago, established in 1917 and becoming an international organization in 1920. Sight Conservation has been a goal of Lions Club International since Lions Club International was approached by the personal appeal of Helen Keller who addressed Lions Club members at their 1925 International Convention at Cedar Point, Ohio where she pleaded with Lions Club members to become "Knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness". As such, all Lions Clubs throughout the world and encouraged to do what they can to promote sight conservation and as such all clubs are encouraged to collect used eyeglasses which can be recycled for continued use. Kentucky has a number of Lions Club founded organizations that promote sight conservation. The Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation was founded in 1954 with the mission to provide vision services through education, detection, prevention, treatment and empowerment. The KLEF not only conducts vision screening. The organization is tasked with the equipping and maintaining the Vision Van (founded 2002, a mobile screening operation available for setup in an indoor site to offer vision screenings at health fairs and other events where individuals gather throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky) for vision screening services throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky, conduct the KidSight program (a vision screening service for children), operate an Eyeglass Program (providing recycled eyeglasses to needy in Jefferson County, KY) and the Eyeglass Recycling Program (used eyeglasses collected for recycling are cleaned, sorted and repackaged for distribution in low to middle income communities), as well as maintain both the Patron Program (providing necessary eye surgery to non-insured or limited insured Kentucky residents) and the Holloran Trust Program (organized in 1967, providing services to needy blind persons in parts of Kentucky). The Kentucky Lions Eye Institute (now the Kentucky Lions Eye Center) was founded in 1967 and is the home of the University of Louisville's Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences. The Kentucky Lions Eye Bank promotes eye, organ and tissue donation and promotes sight restoration through corneal transplant, ocular research and medical education.

Today, Lions Club International has expanded their goals to include their "Big 5": Improve Sight; Improve The Environment; Provide for Hunger Relief; Reduce Diabetes; and Reduce Pediatric Cancers.

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service organization with 1.4 million members worldwide scattered over more than 46,000 clubs in over 200 countries.



*Tollesboro Lions Club members Clinton Applegate and Steve Pedersen (photo on left, left to right) and Craig A. Stanfield (photo on right) attended the Kentucky State Fair and volunteered at the Kentucky Lions Club booth to conduct free vision screenings.*

# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB PLAYGROUND PROJECT** **GARNERS THIRD PLACE IN BEAUTIFY THE BLUEGRASS** **CONTEST**

From 28 submissions of projects throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 2019, the Tollesboro Lions Club Playground Project, was selected as a Top Five Finalist in the Beautify the Bluegrass Contest hosted by the Kentucky Rural Electrical Cooperatives, and placed third in the public online voting at [www.kentuckyliving.com](http://www.kentuckyliving.com) last month. As a Top Five Finalist, a videographer visited the Tollesboro Lions Club, interviewed members, took photos and video (including drone footage), and prepared a very nice short video about the project which was posted online on the Kentucky Living website for review by the voting public. The video was delightful testament to the Club's hard work, approximately 1 1/2 minutes long (just under 2 minutes with pre-face and a short appearance from Gov. Bevin at the end congratulating each finalist on their projects and thanking them for their work in Beatifying the Bluegrass).

The Tollesboro Lions Club Playground Project was an early leader for a day or two early in the contest, then ran neck-and-neck for a day or two with the two winning projects, before finally getting behind in the point total. But a valiant effort regardless as our small community made the state take notice, a Top Five Finalist, ending up in third place in the public voting, beating out projects conducted by the City of Covington as well as a project in Burnside, all something that our Club and our community, can be proud of. While aware that the Tollesboro Lions Club Project was out of the running for the Commonwealth Award (the project receiving the most votes online), the Club still was hopeful that Governor Bevin could choose our project over the two projects that received more votes. The winner was announced at the Kentucky State Fair August 23rd and the 2019 Governor's Award went to the Camp KySoc Project in Carrollton, Carroll Co., KY and the Commonwealth Award went to Rodburn Hollow Park, Morehead, Rowan County, KY. The Tollesboro Lions Club offers congratulations to the winning projects. Perhaps the Tollesboro Lions Club will be able to enter another project in the near future.



# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB MEETING**

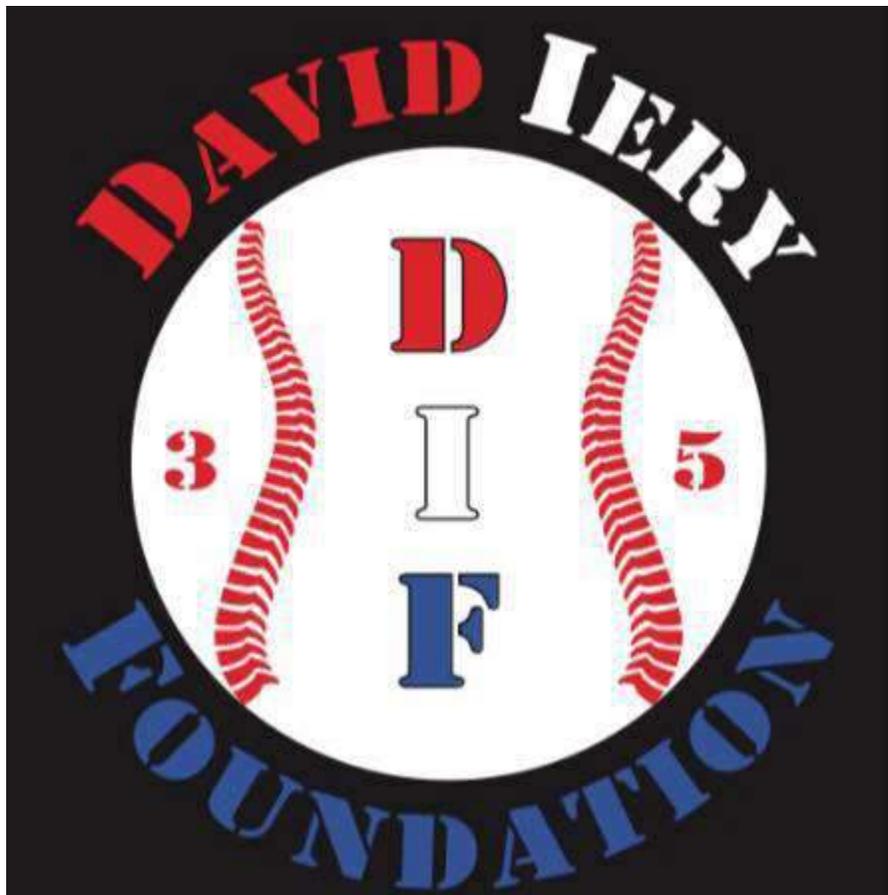
## **HELD AT MAYSVILLE HARDEE'S**

The August 27th meeting of the Tollesboro Lions Club, the second meeting in August, held the fourth Monday of the month, was held at Hardee's in Maysville. Hardee's offers a fund-raiser for non-profits in which 20 percent of the sales for the evening hours (between 7 pm and 9 pm) are donated to local non-profits. The club decided to hold their meeting at the restaurant to coincide with the fund-raiser so as to boost sales and thus increase the amount of the donation. Sixteen members were present for the meeting. Besides enjoying Hardee's food which the individual membership purchased, the Club discussed a number of upcoming projects and attendance by some of the membership at various events. First to be discussed was the attendance by two members of the club at a Zone meeting at Richmond, KY which was conducted the week prior whereby Tollesboro Lions Club member Steve Pedersen was installed as Zone Chairman, replacing Tollesboro Lions Club member Clinton Applegate who had held the position (both members were present at the meeting). Also discussed were members attending and representing the Tollesboro Lions Club at the KY State Fair where they volunteered time to conduct vision screening at the KY Lions Eye Foundation booth (members of the Club who volunteered to conduct vision screening included Steve Pedersen, Clinton Applegate, and Craig A. Stanfield). It was announced that the Beautify the Bluegrass Awards were revealed at the Kentucky State Fair August 23rd and that the Tollesboro Lions Club Playground Project, a Top Five finalist, was not chosen as the winner of either the Commonwealth Award nor the Governor's Award (the Beautify the Bluegrass Contest is hosted by the Kentucky Rural Electrical Cooperatives in a partnership with Kentucky Governor Matt Bevin. The 2019 Governor's Award went to the Camp KySoc Project in Carrollton, Carroll Co., KY and the Commonwealth Award went to Rodburn Hollow Park, Morehead, Rowan County, KY). The Tollesboro Lions Club Playground Project was an early leader and then ran neck-and-neck with the two winning projects for several days when contest voting was first opened up, before finally getting behind in the point total; but a valiant effort regardless as our small community made the state take notice, a Top Five Finalist and ending up in third place in the public voting, beating out projects conducted by the City of Covington as well as a project in Burnside, as well as whatever projects were conducted through the state that did not make it as a Top Five Finalist, and something we can be proud of. Next the club discussed a number of upcoming events including two mud sling events planned on successive weekends in September, the 14th and 21st, with the Mud Sling on the 14th a Points Run for Hall Motorsports and the 21st being an Open Event. Discussions of these events included determining what members could be available to man the concession stands, collect gate admission, and announce the events during these two weekend fund-raisers. Another item of business discussed was the possibility, as yet unconfirmed, of one member attending the USA-CANADA Lions Club Forum in Spokane, Washington in September. Also discussed were payments received for hosting the District Dairy Show, a few as yet outstanding invoices for Elite Sponsorship monies from the fair., as well as an announcement that - since the last meeting - the final payment had been made on one loan (however the Club borrowed monies in 2019 for completion of the playground, so we're not out of debt yet).

# QUARTER AUCTION RAISES FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE DAVID IERY FOUNDATION

Tabby Liles, Charity Stout, Becky Cooper and Tracy Applegate organized a Quarter-Auction Event conducted Sept. 16, 2019 at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse, hosted by the The Tollesboro Lions Club, the third such event conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds. The event was attended by approximately 50 persons and was successful in raising \$368.70 plus an additional \$120 from the sales of concessions for the David Iery Foundation (this is the third quarter auction fund-raiser the ladies have conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club. Prior events benefited the Lewis County Little League and the March for Babies - a national organization founded by the March of Dimes - with the two prior events successful in raising over \$2,000 combined to support these two organizations).

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank Tabby, Charity, Becky and Tracy for their hard work in making this a successful event and congratulate them on the success in raising so much money for the organizations that have benefited from their hard work. While this is the third quarter auction event conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club, they have been active for years in organizing and supporting a number of quarter auction fund-raising events to support additional organizations holding events throughout various locations in Lewis County over the past several years raising funds for various organizations and non-profits. The Tollesboro Lions Club commends them for their hard work and dedication.



# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB DONATES TO DIABETES RESEARCH

Jackson Tucker, 4 year old grandson of Tollesboro Lions Club member Larry Tucker has Type I Diabetes. The Tucker Family is participating in a fund-raiser in October, raising funds for Diabetes Research. At the Sept. 23rd meeting of the Tollesboro Lions Club, the Club voted unanimously to donate \$500 in Jackson's name to support Diabetes Research for the October fund-raiser.

Fighting diabetes and providing research is one of Lions Club International's "Big 5" goals, which include: Improve Sight; Improve The Environment; Provide for Hunger Relief; Reduce Diabetes; and Reduce Pediatric Cancers. Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service organization with 1.4 million members worldwide scattered over more than 46,000 clubs in over 200 countries.



*Two organizations looking to improve life with diabetes.*

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB FALL MUD SLING RESULTS

The Tollesboro Lions Club hosted two Mud Sling events on successive weekends September 14th and Sept. 21st. The September 14th event was a sanctioned points run operated by Hall's Motorsports.

The Sept. 21st event was conducted by the Tollesboro Lions Club members. The event, scheduled to begin at 7 pm, began promptly at about 8:15 pm (however considering that there were over 53 entries that had to be "teched" -- 58 or 59 to be exact, however due to breakdowns, some of these had to drop out of some of the classes before the night was through --- with some participants coming from as far east as West Virginia and some as far west as Louisville, this was reasonable). In the end, there were 7 classes and 53 entries participating. It was a MUDDY MESS with the dry weather creating excellent mud, thick, gloppy mud, for the mud runs (6 classes), with mud, thrown up in the air before and behind the mud-running vehicles (covering the announcer's booth and the announcer, time-keepers and book-keeper). The night ended at about 1:15 am with a Mud Bog class that included a ramp like mud pile and a pond like waterhole. as the last class of the night and it was fun to watch! The winning contestant hit the ramp-like mud pile at high speed that catapulted him into the air, with the rear tires landing in the pond first, and revved up and was through the entire bog fast with a time of under 4 seconds!!! No one else had a time under 5 seconds, with most over 8 seconds and with two entries stopped by the pond and had to be pulled out (but even those drivers were cheered on by the crowd that remained as having made a great splash and a good show!).

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank Lions Club member T. J. Palmer and crew for organizing the event and all of the sponsors who helped make this event a success. Sponsors include Rip's Farm Center; Craig A. Stanfield Real Estate & Auction Services; Clinton Applegate Fencing; Kenny and Kenton Meadows of Meadows Excavating; Dean Applegate of Applegate Trucking; Bobby Pollitt of Pollitt Trucking; Denny Hornback; John Truesdell; David and Zach Tully of Tulley Backhoe and Rock Hauling Service; Industrial Field Maintenance; T & C Logging; Andy's Auto Repair; Brown County Construction; and Harvey Miller.



*Mud Sling Action Sept. 21, 2019*

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB HOSTS FIRST-GRADERS

On Friday, Sept. 27th, the Tollesboro Lions Club was visited by 39 Tollesboro Elementary School First-Grade students, arriving by bus accompanied by their teachers and bus driver. The Lions Club Park was the fourth stop of five locations in Tollesboro visited by the class, which first visited Citizens Deposit Bank, then the Tollesboro Volunteer Fire Department, then a brief stop at the Tollesboro Post Office before stopping at the Tollesboro Fairgrounds to use their bathroom facilities before meeting at the Clubhouse for lunch. At the clubhouse, Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig Stanfield talked to them very briefly that Lions Clubs have been organized for 102 years; mentioned that the Tollesboro Lions Club was 65 years of age (older than their parents and probably most of their grand-parents); there are 1.2 million Lions Club members scattered worldwide in over 41,000 Lions Clubs in over 200 countries; and how Lions Club members throughout the world volunteer their time in a cooperative fashion to help improve the communities in which they live. He also showed them the Lions Club emblem and provided a coloring page to the student's teachers with the Lions Club logo, inviting the students to take part in a coloring contest at their school where they could enter for a chance to win \$25 in total prizes, \$5 for the two best entries in each classroom, best boy and best girl artwork categories, with an additional \$5 paid to best overall artwork. The artwork is to be judged at a future Lions Club meeting. The students were happy to be away from the classroom, were attentive, polite, with hands up in the air to offer answers to questions posed to them as well as to ask questions, and appeared to really enjoy their time away from school. The students then posed for a photo in the Lions Club Clubhouse with Lion Stanfield before sitting down to enjoy a sack lunch before visiting the new playground at the Lions Club Park, where they played before visiting their fifth local site, Rip's Farm Center, before returning to the Tollesboro Elementary School.



*Tollesboro Elementary School First-Graders with Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig A. Stanfield at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse.*

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SITE OF BENEFIT

A large crowd gathered at the Tollesboro Lions Club Saturday evening, Sept. 28th, to show their support for Scott and Donna Bennett. Scott has Stage 4 Colon Cancer, which has metastasized to his brain. He is the sole caretaker of his wife Donna, who has tremors associated with Parkinson's. The event included a meal, followed by a live auction. The event was organized by Lisa Huber Monteith, Jennifer Meadows, Sue Kennedy, Carol and Ritchie Cunningham, and a host of others who volunteered their time to gather merchandise for the auction, as well as to prepare and serve the meal. The live auction was conducted by Craig Stanfield, auctioneer and real estate broker in Tollesboro, also a member of the Tollesboro Lions Club, who donated his time to the event. The auction included baked goods, hand-made crafts and items from individuals, gift cards and items from area businesses, and basket lots from area churches. The community support was tremendous and the event was a rousing success!

This was the 10th benefit auction that Craig Stanfield has donated his time to this year, the third in 8 days having conducted similar events the past two Friday evenings (supporting the Maysville Womens Crisis Center Sept. 20th and the New Beginnings Church in Maysville, Sept. 27th) and scheduled to donate his time to conduct two additional benefit auctions, the Annual Fall Festivals of both the Mt. Carmel Volunteer Fire Department (Oct. 12th at the Mt Carmel VFD) and the Orangeburg Lions Club (Oct. 19th at the Orangeburg Lions Club Building, a part of the Orangeburg VFD), each of which will be preceded by a meal. Each of these events will include baked goods, hand-made crafts and items from individuals, as well as gift cards and items from local businesses and each of these events are the largest single annual fund-raisers for both organizations, and the public is invited to attend and offer their support to these two fine local volunteer organizations.



*Scott & Donna Bennett at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fund-Raising Event.*

# PASSING OF A 60 YEAR MEMBER OF THE TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB

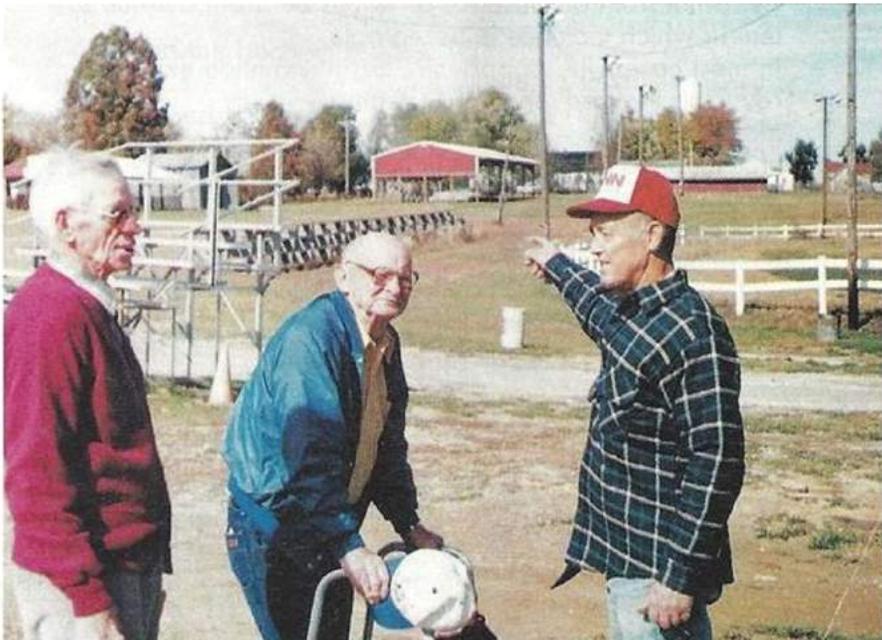
It is with great sadness that the Tollesboro Lions Club announces the passing of Donald J. "Don" McCann, a 60 year member of the Tollesboro Lions Club, a Past President, an asset to the Tollesboro Lions Club and to the Tollesboro Community. Don joined the Tollesboro Lions Club in 1959, with the official Lions Club record indicating an Oct. 1st date, with Don maintaining continuous membership through the date of his passing Oct. 13th, 2019.

While health issues have limited his participation at Club events the past few years, for most of the years of his membership Don was a very active and dedicated member of the Club, and played an active role in many Lions Club activities, in both leadership and advisory capacities, as well in helping to maintain - as well as improve - both the Club and the Fairgrounds. In addition to other organizations, church, and activities he was involved in, as a member of the Tollesboro Lions Club, Don also was a member of the Tollesboro Christian School Board of Directors when the Tollesboro Lions Club owned the property, and an owner/investor/board member in the property after the Tollesboro Christian School was purchased from the Tollesboro Lions Club and up until the closing of the Tollesboro Christian School in 2012. Don will be missed.

While Don was not a Charter Member of the Tollesboro Lions Club (the club was chartered April of 1954), the ONLY other member of the club (to date) to have served 60 years of continuous membership was Tollesboro Lions Club Charter Member Samuel "Mack" Wright, also a past president of the organization, who held continuous membership in the club for 61 years. Lion Larry Tucker has maintained membership in the Club for 50 years as did Charter Member Julian "Elmo" Gillespie (Elmo passed away in 2004).

NOTE: Only one charter member of the Tollesboro Lions Club is still living, Tommy Barbour who still resides in Tollesboro. However Tommy did not maintain membership in the organization.

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB MEMBER & PAST PRESIDENT DON McCANN Mar. 18, 1935 - Oct. 13, 2019. REST IN PEACE.



Taken 20 years ago, in 1999, Tollesboro Lions Club member Don McCann is pictured (on right, pointing) at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds/Community Park with two Charter Members of the Tollesboro Lions Club, W. B. "Buddy" Grant (left), a past Lions Club District Governor, and Charles M. Hughes, the first President of the Tollesboro Lions Club. At the time, these Tollesboro Lions Club members were being interviewed by representatives of the Lions Club Magazine (The Lion) regarding the purchase by the Tollesboro Lions Club of the Tollesboro High School for use as a Christian School in Tollesboro.

Photo by Jerry Shields for the Mar., 1999 issue of The Lions, the National Lions Club monthly magazine.

# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SITE OF SUCCESSFUL FUND-RAISER FOR TONY CORNS**

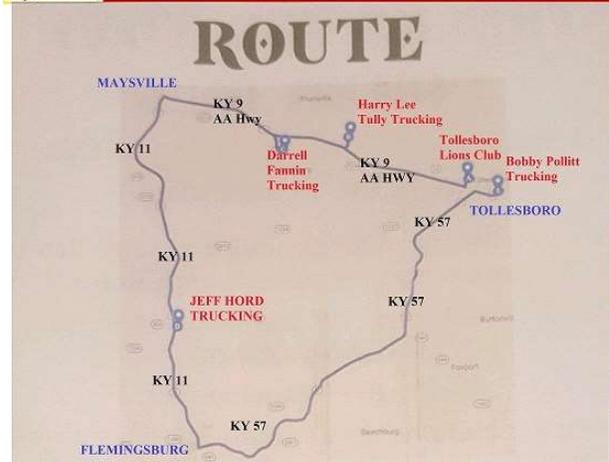
On Saturday, October 26, 2019, the Tollesboro Lions Club hosted a fund-raiser for Tony Corns, a local truck driver. Tony suffers from Berger's Disease, a disease which attacks the kidneys that is requiring Tony to take dialysis three times a week and not permitting him to continue to work. The fund-raiser was organized by Linda Breeze, Denise Walker, Jennifer Meadows, Carol Cunningham, Jill Fetters, and Amanda Hawkins, assisted by many others. This fund-raising event was a little different. Since Tony was a truck-driver, a "Trucks for Tony" Semi-Truck Poker Run was organized. Truck drivers were encouraged to show up at the Tollesboro Lions Club with their trucks, with registration beginning at noon. These local semi-truck drivers paid \$50 each to participate in a semi-truck "convoy" driving from the Tollesboro Lions Club through a planned route to Maysville and Flemingsburg before returning to Tollesboro, stopping along the way to visit 4 local trucking companies. At each trucking company, the driver would draw a playing card (one card for each of the 4 trucking companies at which the trucks stopped). Upon returning to the Tollesboro Lions Club, drivers received their 5th card to determine who drew the best hand and the holder of the best hand would win \$200! (NOTE: Drivers were also provided the opportunity to buy a bonus card with which they could improve their 5 card hand for an extra \$25). SIXTY-TWO semi-trucks and drivers participated! They left the Lions Club at 1:00 pm, the first stop being (Harry Lee) Tully Trucking at 8027 Rt. 3161, Maysville, KY. Next, the drivers proceeded to Darrell Fannin Trucking at 7072 Orangeburg Road, Maysville, KY. From there, the convoy proceeded to Maysville on the "AA" Hwy before turning on KY 11 and heading for the next stop, (Jeff) Hord Trucking at 7005 Hord Road, Flemingsburg, KY. The convoy then proceeded to Flemingsburg, before turning onto KY 57 for the return trip to Tollesboro and then to stop at Truck Company # 4, (Bobby) Pollitt Trucking at 16350 KY 9, Tollesboro, KY. Then the convoy proceeded on the "AA" Hwy to the Tollesboro Lions Club where they lined up their trucks and where the fund-raising events then continued, the next fund-raiser being a meal, followed by a live auction.

A huge crowd awaited the arrival of the trucks, attending the event and supported Tony by enjoying the meal with serving beginning at 4 pm. Heather Renee French Henry (Miss America 2000) was present and sang the National Anthem. Lions Club members Jim Meadows, Clinton Applegate, Steve Pedersen, Lee Thomas, Denny Hornback, Damond Thomas, Michael Setters, Charlie Kendall, Darrell Dixon, Phil Cropper and Brad Schultz (among others and helped by other members of the community) helped with the meal (and continuing through the end of the event, including assisting and supporting the auction and grounds cleanup afterwards). Before the beginning of the auction, awards were presented to the truck driving participants. The Poker Run was won by Donna Morgan who took the trophy and then donated her \$200 winnings to the event! Dean Edmond received a trophy for the oldest truck participating in the Poker Run; David Ginn received a trophy for driving the truck with the most miles (over 2 million miles) and Darrell Fannin received the Peoples Choice award trophy for his Lime Green truck (voted on by the crowd). It was also announced that Jerry Lundergan of Emergency Disaster Services (EDS) donated \$5,000 to the event (as he relies upon local truckers to deliver and return his disaster services trailers to locations that were damaged by hurricanes, tornados and other disasters and wanted to show his support and appreciation).

The auction was conducted by Craig Stanfield (also a Tollesboro Lions Club member) and was a great event with a HUGE crowd who really showed their support. Several cakes were sold for \$200 or more, one even donated back and reselling a second time for \$200, with donations of several valuable items from a number of trucking companies and companies that cater to trucking companies including aluminum truck wheels, heavy duty truck batteries, a pair of new semi-truck tires, and a very comfortable replacement

truck seat. In addition, a local businessman donated 2 antique guns (a "rabbit ear" double-barrel shotgun and a gallery rifle), both of which sold EXTREMELY WELL! There were many other items from local businesses, churches, and individuals, including gift certificates, a pair of tickets to an upcoming UK basketball game, products from local businesses, and more! NOTE: MOST of the gift certificates - particularly those to local restaurants - sold for more than face value, with a number of gift certificates doubling face value and even in a few cases selling for triple face value!!!

All in all, a very successful fund-raiser in every way, exceeding the expectations of all involved in setting up the event. The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank all of the many people who participated in any way, whether in donating merchandise, purchasing merchandise (or even for bidding in the event that you were not the high bidder), participating in the Poker Run, just enjoying a meal and saying an encouraging word to Tony or his family.



- A. Starting Point—Tollesboro Lions Club
- B. Stop 1—Tully Trucking  
8027 Rte 3161 Maysville, KY 41056
- C. Stop 2—Fannin Trucking  
7072 Orangeburg Rd. Maysville, KY 41056
- D. Stop 3—Hord Trucking  
7005 Hord Rd. Flemingsburg, KY 41041
- E. Stop 4—Pollitt Trucking  
16350 KY 9 Tollesboro, KY 41189
- A. Stop 5— Tollesboro Lions Club



*Collage of scenes from the Benefit Auction at the Tollesboro Lions Club Oct. 26th for Tony Corns. On far left, the Lions Club emblem, the logo for the event, and a map with the route taken by the trucks participating in the Poker Run. Photos: Top left: Miss America 2000 Heather Renee French Henry was present at the event and stands next to Jennifer Meadows who introduces her just prior to her singing the National Anthem. Top right: Tollesboro Lions Club member and auctioneer Craig A. Stanfield asks for bids as Zach Tully holds the next item to sell and a grouping of local ladies who organized the event clerk the live auction. Middle: Semi-trucks drive and park in the horse ring at the Tollesboro Lions Club after finishing the Poker Run Route. Bottom left: Tollesboro Lions Club members Darrell Dixon and Steve Pedersen, shown being assisted by Harry Applegate, are shown preparing the meal. Bottom right: Tollesboro Lions Club member Ritchie Cunningham shows an item being sold in the live auction to a small portion of the large crowd who showed up to offer their support. In the bottom right of this same photo, Tony Corns, for whom the fund-raiser was held, can be seen sitting on the front row with his son.*

# **QUARTER AUCTION RAISES FUNDS TO SUPPORT NEW CREATION PRAISE & WORSHIP CENTER**

**Tabby Liles, Charity Stout, Becky Cooper, Kay Hargett, and Tracy Applegate organized a Quarter-Auction Event conducted October 21, 2019 at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse, hosted by the The Tollesboro Lions Club, and was successful in raising \$729.45 for the organization. This is the fourth such event conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds by these dedicated young ladies. Prior events benefited the Lewis County Little League; the March for Babies - a national organization founded by the March of Dimes; and the David Iery Foundation. They are already planning their next event, which will be Nov. 4th to benefit the Lewis County Middle School Academic Team. The public is invited to attend!!!**

**The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank Tabby, Charity, Becky, Kay and Tracy for their hard work in making this a successful event and congratulate them on the success in raising so much money for the organizations that have benefited from their hard work. While this is the fourth quarter auction event conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club, they have been active for years in organizing and supporting a number of quarter auction fund-raising events to support additional organizations holding events throughout various locations in Lewis County over the past several years raising funds for various organizations and non-profits. The Tollesboro Lions Club commends them for their continuing hard work and dedication to support so many fine organizations.**

## **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SITE OF BBQ COOKOFF**

**The Tollesboro Lions Club hosted the First Annual Tollesboro BBQ Cookoff Friday and Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Organized by Justin Zornes and the crew of Browse Haberdashery in Tollesboro, the format included: Friday: Setup, cook and taste, prepare, purchase. Saturday: The BBQ Contest. Contest included: Brisket at 1 pm, Pulled Pork at 2 pm, Chicken at 3 pm, "Chef's Choice" at 4 pm, and Ribs at 5 pm. Two live bands performed Saturday, beginning at 5 pm: The Tony Jarrels Band, followed by the Ghost Mountain Band. Results, trophies, medals, and prize money announced around 6.**

**Zach Shaw of Skeeters BBQ was selected the Overall Grand Champion, and Browse Beauty Bailey, first time competing, won First Runner Up Overall at the first annual Tollesboro BBQ Cookoff.**

**The event was put on in relatively short notice, organized in about 2 weeks, start to finish. This, coupled with the unusually cold weather that came in this weekend, undoubtedly hurt the first time event, both the crowd as well as the number of participants. However Justin and crew are already promising a bigger and better event next year! For information about next year's event (to be contacted to compete prior to the event, offer assistance, questions, etc.), contact Justin at Browse Haberdashery or call him at 606-541-1087.**

**The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank JUSTIN AND HIS ENTIRE CREW, anyone and everyone who offered assistance or who helped in any way, to put on this event. We know first-hand the time and effort such an event can take to organize, particularly a first-time event.**

# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB SITE OF FUND-RAISER FOR LEWIS CO. MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMIC TEAM**

**Tabby Liles, Charity Stout, Becky Cooper, Kay Hargett, and Tracy Applegate organized a Quarter-Auction Event conducted Monday, November 4, 2019 at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse, hosted by the The Tollesboro Lions Club, was attended by approximately 70 person, and was successful in raising \$546 for the Lewis County Middle School Academic Team. This is the fifth such event conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds by these dedicated young ladies. Prior events benefited the Lewis County Little League; the March for Babies - a national organization founded by the March of Dimes, the David Iery Foundation, and New Creation Praise and Worship Center.**

**While the ladies have held 5 events at the Tollesboro Lions Club, raising more than \$3,700 this year alone for 5 organizations, in the past 4 years, at various locations throughout the county, they have succeeded in raising in excess of \$24,000 for several organizations and non-profits. They will be setting up another Quarter Auction event soon to benefit some other organization, and the public, as always, is invited to attend!!!**

**The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to thank Tabby, Charity, Becky, Kay and Tracy for their hard work in making this a successful event and congratulate them on the success in raising so much money for the organizations that have benefited from their hard work. While this is the fifth quarter auction event conducted at the Tollesboro Lions Club, they have been active for years in organizing and supporting a number of quarter auction fund-raising events to support additional organizations holding events throughout various locations in Lewis County over the past several years raising funds for various organizations and non-profits. The Tollesboro Lions Club commends these ladies for their continuous dedication, efforts, and hard work, in order to provide financial support to so many fine organizations.**

# TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB TO HOST 2ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE!!!

The Tollesboro Lions Club is happy to report that it will sponsor it's second annual TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARADE!. This year, the parade will be on SATURDAY, DEC. 14th, 2018. **HOWEVER PLEASE NOTE THAT** due to input from locals and participants from last year, this year's event will be later in the evening (as some participants want to be able to decorate their floats or other entries with lights). Lineup will begin at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds at 3:00 PM, with the Parade to begin at 4:00 PM.

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to invite all churches, fire departments, businesses, social and fraternal organizations/groups, elected officials and individuals to participate in the Parade, whether on floats, walking, or riding (ATVs, Golf Carts, Horses, Carriages or Wagons, Antique Cars and Tractors, etc.) in this event. The route will be the same as that which the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade takes, beginning at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds where participants will be lined up, thence exiting the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds through the main entrance on KY 10, turning eastwardly onto KY 10 and extending through town and through the KY 10-KY 57 intersections to the Citizens Deposit Bank where the Parade will then turn around and return to the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds.

The public at large is invited to watch the Parade proceed through town at local businesses, churches, and homes of friends and family who live in Tollesboro along the Parade route. For those who missed last year's Christmas Parade, it was a very nice event and was well attended both by participants as well as people who showed up to view the Parade along the Parade Route.

Historically, the Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade, conducted on a Sunday in July each year coinciding with the Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair, had been the only annual parade event to take place in Tollesboro. The Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade has been a HUGE EVENT for many years and the community has encouraged the Club to sponsor a Christmas Parade. Hoping to capitalize on the success of the Annual Lions Club Fair Parade, the Club is more than happy to sponsor this event for the benefit of the Tollesboro community.

For additional information about the Christmas Parade, contact Tollesboro Lions Club Member and Chairman of the Event, Ritchie Cunningham (606-202-1503), his wife Carol (606-202-1883), Ree Applegate (606-202-1827), or Kyra Bane (606-748-9336). Come on out and make this year's event even a bigger and more exciting success than last year!!!



*PHOTOS FROM THE FIRST TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARADE, DEC. 8, 2018: Far Right: Photo taken near the intersection of KY 10 and KY 57 showing the Parade (which extended maybe a 1/2 mile in length) with adults watching while children anxiously wait to pick up candies thrown from the Parade Participants! Middle section, Top Row, Left to Right: Members of the Lewis County High School Marching Band of Pride perform. The Tollesboro Christian Church presented a beautiful float featuring the Nativity. Middle Section, Middle Row, Left to Right: Santa Claus makes his appearance at the Parade. A decorated ATV all ready for Christmas! The Lewis County Future Farmers of America Gingerbread House. Bottom Middle: The Lewis County High School Marching Band of Pride performing. Far Right, Top to Bottom: The sold equine entry in the Parade, Brian Stanfield on his decorated Mule, Denver waving to the crowd! The Lewis County Marching Band of Pride enclosed trailer followed the Lewis County Marching Band of Pride through the Parade route. The Parade Grand Marshall was David Iery. The Parade was a rousing success, as the cold weather didn't hamper the participants nor the crowd who came to watch. The Parade began at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds and extended eastwardly along KY 10 through town to the Citizens Deposit Bank & Trust, then turned around and returned through town to the Fairgrounds.*

**Collage of photographs from the 2018 Christmas Parade, the inaugural Christmas Parade, Dec. 8, 2018.**

# **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB NOVEMBER MEETING**

The Tollesboro Lions Club held their November meeting at the Tollesboro Lions Clubhouse at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairground on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 2019.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by prayer, then the club sat down to a meal provided by Skeeter and Sonia Shaw. Following the meal, t

hree persons in attendance were recognized as Veterans and thanked for their service, these being Lions Steve Pedersen and Denny Hornback of the Tollesboro Lions Club, and the District Governor, Jeff Lorenzen. It was noted that Lions Don McCann's 60 Year Service Award pin had just arrived (Don just celebrated his 60th consecutive year as a Lions Club member, but sadly passed away just a few days later); Don is only the second member of the Tollesboro Lions Club to serve 60 consecutive years, quite a milestone. It was also announced to the Club that a memorial to Don has been placed on the Tollesboro Lions Club website, [www.tollesborolions.com](http://www.tollesborolions.com) that includes a photograph taken in 1999, and all members were encouraged to review it.

The Club opted to open the meeting with guest speaker Jeff Lorenzen of the Erlanger Lions Club, the current District Governor of District 43-Y. District 43-Y covered approximately 1/2 of the state, and represents 92 Lions Clubs with 2,027 members.

The District Governor reiterated to the Club that the 2020 USA-CANADA FORUM will be in Louisville, KY Sept. 17-19, and urged the Tollesboro Lions Club to attend and to volunteer during the event. He also informed the Club that the State Convention will be in Lexington, May 1st through May 3rd. He encouraged the members to check out the new Kentucky Lions Clubs website, KYLions.org and encouraged members to consider making a \$500 donation to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation to become Finis Davis Fellows and to the Lions Club Eye Foundation in the amount of \$1,000 to become Melvin Jones Fellows (Finis Davis is Kentucky's only International President of Lions Clubs International and Melvin Jones was the founder of Lions Clubs, founded in 1917).

Following the presentation by Mr. Lorenzen, the Club discussed their business, beginning with the Secretary's Report by Secretary Phil Cropper, followed by the Treasurer's Report by Treasurer Steve Pedersen.

It was reported that the Club had paid for 2 eye exams since the last meeting.

The recent fund-raising event for Tony Corns was discussed for the benefit of those members who could not attend. Tony, a truck-driver, was diagnosed with Berger's Disease, a disease which affects the kidneys and which required him to quit work and take dialysis treatments three times a week. The event included a Semi-Truck Poker Run, a meal, and a live auction and was a rousing success! There were 62 semi-trucks/drivers participating in the Poker Run, which left the Tollesboro Lions Club in "convoy" fashion, stopping at 4 truck stops along the route, which extended to KY 11 at Maysville, then to Flemingsburg, then returning to Tollesboro on KY 57.

It was discussed that two Quarter Auction Fund-Raisers had been conducted on the grounds since the last meeting. The first raised \$729 to benefit the New Creation Praise and Worship Center. The second raised \$546 to benefit the Lewis County Middle School Academic Team.

The results of the coloring contest by First-Graders who visited the Club in October were announced. Each class was provided with a Lions Club logo for each student to color. On the reverse was a cartoon Lion design that could be colored for additional consideration in the case of a tie. Winning artworks were to be selected from all entries, a best boy's artwork and best girl's artwork, with each winner to receive \$5. There were 41 entries submitted, 23 from Mrs. Meadows Class and 18 from Mrs. Corn's class. While it was originally decided that a Best Boy and a Best Girl artwork winner would each win \$5, it was decided at the meeting that a \$5 award would be given to "Best Boy Artwork" and "Best Girl Artwork" per classroom, and from these, a "Best Overall" award would be presented, earning that individual an additional \$5 prize, for a total prize money of \$25.

In Mrs. Corn's Class, the Best Boy's Artwork was that of Drake Anderson and the Best Girl's Artwork what that of Dixie Ginn. In Mrs. Meadows class, the Best Boy's Artwork was that of Tanner Mason and the Best Girl's Artwork was that of Teslarai Insko. Each of these four students will be awarded \$5 cash. The

artwork chosen from these winners as the Best Overall Artwork Prize, was that of Teslarai Insko, earning her an extra \$5 award. The Tollesboro Lions Club wants to extend their appreciation to the students for coming out to the Lions Club and thank them for their participation in the coloring contest.

Also brought up was a recent BBQ Contest held on the grounds on a cold Nov. 1st and 2nd weekend. A first-time event, the organizers promise a bigger and better (as well as earlier in the season) event next year.

The blacktop walking track was discussed and it was recommended to suspend the paving project until spring due to unseasonably cold weather.

The Christmas Party was discussed. This year the Club will be celebrating at Caproni's and entertained by the redneck comedic/musical duo of the Moron Brothers.

The Club approved a donation of \$300 to support 4 youth in Project Merry Christmas.

The Club approved a November donation in the amount of \$250 to the Lend-A-Helping-Hand Food Pantry in Tollesboro, as well as an additional donation of \$250 for December, these two months historically being the months in which more needy families are served than any other months. The Lend-A-Helping-Hand Food Pantry operates out of the old Tollesboro High School Gymnasium and typically serves 350 families per month, although in November and December, the number of families served typically raises to 450 to 500 families in November, and 400 to 450 families in December.

Next, Lion Craig Stanfield brought up two items for consideration by the Club. The first was a benefit auction to be held in May or June to benefit the Tollesboro Lions Club. Craig suggested writing to parks, recreational areas, museums, race tracks, distilleries, outdoor and indoor dramas, and other "day trip" areas around the state (as well as a few areas outside the state) asking for support (avoiding local businesses that are hit constantly by organizations for support by numerous organizations), and volunteered to prepare and send out the letters and make the necessary contacts. Provided that enough organizations and businesses offer their support, an auction event would be conducted in late spring/early summer to benefit the club. In the event that not enough items were donated, the items would be donated to other groups that conduct auction events. The Club approved the event. Next, Craig brought up the Kentucky Historical Society Historical Marker Program through the Kentucky Historical Society and asked the Club to support and draft a resolution in favor of obtaining a Historical Marker for the Tollesboro Community to be placed at and in honor of the Tollesboro High School (a property from which a significant number members of the Tollesboro Lions Club graduated, a property acquired and owned by the Tollesboro Lions Club after closure by the Lewis County Board of Education, which became the Tollesboro Christian School and provides for the Lend-A-Helping-Hand-Food-Pantry to this day, and which is currently owned by Lion Stanfield). Craig informed the Club that there were only 8 Historical Markers in Lewis County, the closest to Tollesboro being the Cabin Creek Historical Marker located between Tollesboro and Ribolt, and the Cabin Creek Covered Bridge Historical Marker. Craig suggested that, if approved, the county (and/or potentially the Lewis County Board of Education) be approached to consider paying for the costs of obtaining the historical marker. The Club voted to draft a resolution in support, and authorized Craig to complete the marker application.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned.





*In the above photo, Lions Club District Governor of District 43-Y (on left, center) is shown with Tollesboro Lions Club President Lee Thomas. Surrounding the photograph are the 4 artworks chosen from among 41 entries submitted from Tollesboro Elementary School first-grade students of the Lions Club International logo. Top left, Best Girl Artwork Mrs. Meadows Class and Best of Show Award Winning entry of Teslarai Insko. Bottom left, the artwork of Tanner Mason, winner of the Best Boy Artwork prize in Mrs. Meadows Class. Top right, the artwork of Dixie Ginn, chosen as Best Girl Artwork in Mrs. Corns class. Bottom right, the artwork of Drake Anderson chosen as Best Boy Artwork in Mrs. Corns Class. Each winning artwork won a \$5 prize, with an additional \$5 prize paid to the artist's work chosen as Best of Show.*

# **TOLLESBORO FIRST-GRADERS LIONS CLUB LOGO ART CONTEST RESULTS**

The Tollesboro Elementary School First-Grade Students recently visited the Tollesboro Lions Club during a field trip to various locations in Tollesboro, beginning at the Citizens Deposit Bank, the Tollesboro Volunteer Fire Department, then the Tollesboro Lions Club clubhouse, then onto Rip's Farm Center before returning to the Tollesboro Elementary School. At the Tollesboro Lions Club, Craig Stanfield had a short discussion with the students about the Lions Club and the works it performs. He then provided the teachers with a Lions Club logo for the students to color, and announced that a coloring contest that would reward the winning boy and girl student artist with a \$5 prize. On Monday evening, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, at the regular meeting of the Tollesboro Lions Club, the artwork was provided and reviewed. There were 41 entries, 23 from Mrs. Meadows Class and 18 from Mrs. Corns Class, and the level of competition was pretty stiff, with many talented artists putting forth their best. The Club decided that rather than reward only a Best Boy Artist and Best Girl Artist award, that instead they would provide an award for the Best Boy and Best Girl Artists for each class, and decided that a bonus would be offered for the student artwork chosen to be "Best In Show", for a total of \$25 in prize money. On Tuesday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, Craig visited the Tollesboro Elementary School to announce the winners.

The winners chosen were as follows: From Mrs. Corns class, Best Boy Artist was determined to be Drake Anderson and Best Girl Artist was determined to be Dixie Ginn. From Mrs. Meadows class, Tanner Mason was chosen as the Best Boy Artist award recipient, and Teslarai Insko was chosen as Best Girl Artist. The Best Overall Artist was determined to be Teslarai Insko.

The Tollesboro Lions Club appreciates the opportunity to interact with youth, and while providing for scholarship monies and contests that youth can enter during the fair, seldom gets an opportunity to make an impression on such young students, and the Club was happy to offer this bit of support to the youth, and happy to have so many students turn in the Lions Club logo artwork to familiarize themselves with the organization.

In the photo on the following page, from left to right: TES Principal Woody Underwood, Tollesboro Lions Club member Craig Stanfield, First-Grade Artist Dixie Ginn (holding her artwork), and Teacher Mrs. Corns are shown (Drake Anderson was not present). On the right, First-Grade Artists Tanner Mason and Teslarai Insko are shown in front holding up their artworks, with Tollesboro Lions Club member and Teacher Mrs. Meadows behind. The artworks are shown below. Top row, from Mrs. Meadows class, left to right: Teslarai Insko's Lions Club logo, Best of Show; Tanner Mason's artwork. Bottom row, left to right: Dixie Ginn's Lions Club logo; Drake Anderson's Artwork.



## **TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB HOSTS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Tollesboro Lions Club held it's 2019 Christmas Party Monday, Dec. 9th, meeting in the Rosemary Clooney Room of Caproni's in Maysville. The meeting was well attended, 43 persons, spouses/dates and a number of guests. Guests included Frances Polley, the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade Grand Marshall, accompanied by her son Darrell Polley, Jake Ratliff, sound engineer from the Tollesboro Christian Church, and the comedy duo of the Moron Brothers and their wives.

Opening with a few brief remarks by Tollesboro Lions Club President Lee Thomas, followed by prayer offered by Tollesboro Lions Club Past President Steve Pedersen. As this event was conducted solely as a Christmas Party, a social event for members and families and guests, no guest speakers or business sessions were conducted; thus the Club immediately started to enjoy the dinner following the blessing.

The menu for the dinner was chosen in advance, thus was ready and waiting, and was **ABSOLUTELY DELICIOUS**, truly a wonderful meal, consisting of a buffet style meal of prime rib, baked ham, creamed corn, roasted potatoes, a salad, rolls, with a number of desserts to choose from.

Following the meal, the group was entertained by the Moron Brothers, a well-known Kentucky comedy and Bluegrass music team consisting of Lardo and Burley Moron. This duo, claiming to be twin brothers (however a search online will indicate that they are not brothers at all, Lardo being Michael T. Carr and Burley being Mike Hammonds), have appeared on the Grand Ole Opry, Renfro Valley, Kentucky Afield, Tim Farmer's Country Kitchen, and have recordings of their songs and comedy acts, and are Youtube sensations as well. This pair of denim overall-clad self-professed rednecks, mixed up comedic skits between singing accompanied by banjo and guitar picking (and the occasional harmonica) and was a hilarious and utterly entertaining delight that was well received by all those in attendance. Some of the songs performed by the duo included "I've Been Everywhere", "The Rooster Song", "I'm My Own Grandpa", "If My Nose Was Running Money (I'd Blow It All On You)", a tribute to Merle Travis, "Grandpa's Clock", and "Ain't Never Seen A Holiday Tree". .

Following the appearance of the Moron Brothers, the Lions Club held drawings to give away door prizes to those in attendance. The door prizes included: 2 adult admission tickets to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY; a Family Four Pack consisting of General Admission tickets for 4 to the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY; two admission tickets to Lost River Cave Underground Boat Tour in Bowling Green, KY; and 2 tickets to attend the Stephen Foster Story Outdoor Drama in Bardstown, KY.

2019 has been a particularly strong year for the Tollesboro Lions Club, conducting their 62nd Annual Fair, providing college scholarships to 5 students furthering their academic education, permitting the fairgrounds to be used by the American Cancer Society for their Relay for Life Event, sponsoring our second annual Christmas Parade in Tollesboro, as well as a host of additional smaller activities. Check out the Tollesboro Lions Club website at [www.tollesborolions.com](http://www.tollesborolions.com) to read about the history and activities of the Tollesboro Lions Club.

The Tollesboro Lions Club meets the 2nd and 4th Monday each month (except during winter months when the Club meets only the 2nd Monday of the month) at the Tollesboro Lions Club Clubhouse located on the grounds of the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds/Community Park in Tollesboro. Persons interested in joining the club about are encouraged to attend a meeting to express their desire to join.

The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to express their thanks and gratitude to all who have helped or supported the club in their ventures this year and wish **EVERYONE** a **MOST BLESSED AND MERRY CHRISTMAS** and a **HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!!!**



**THE MORON BROTHERS, LARDO & BURLEY, PERFORM FOR THE TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY DEC. 9, 2019.**

# **SECOND ANNUAL TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARADE EVENT** **A GRAND SUCCESS!**

Building upon the success of last year's event (the First Annual Tollesboro Lions Club Christmas Parade was held last year, Dec., 8, 2018), the second annual Tollesboro Lions Club Christmas Parade was conducted Saturday, Dec., 14, 2019. Beginning slightly later in the day at the suggestion of last year's participants (so as to allow Christmas lights on the floats to be "lit"), the 2019 Parade began at 4 pm. While the cold, wet, and damp weather experienced earlier in the day likely impacted not only the number of participants in the parade, but also the number of individuals who lined up along KY 10 to get a glimpse of the Parade, the Parade was nonetheless an impressive event and probably extended in length nearly a half mile or so, taking approximately 30 minutes for the entire parade to pass through the intersection of KY 10 and KY 57 at the approximate half-way mark of the first leg of the journey.

Lineup for the Parade began at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds at 3:00 PM, with the Parade beginning at 4:00 PM. Officers of the Lewis County Sheriff's office blocked travel through KY 10 and KY 57 at the intersection during the Parade. Floats were presented by a number of local churches, as well as the Lewis County Future Farmers of America; with several fire engines from a number of local fire departments; several elected officials; a few antique tractors and automobiles; several Shriner's vehicles; a few ATVs; a number of semi trucks, farm trucks, and rollbacks representing local farms and businesses; and a few equine entries as well, not to mention an appearance by Ol' Saint Nicholas himself!

Leading the parade was Parade Grand Marshall, Tollesboro's own Allen Bane, followed by the Lewis County Marching Band of Pride, which marched the entire parade route while playing Christmas songs.

The Parade lined up at the Tollesboro Lions Club Fairgrounds, leaving the fairgrounds by means of the main entrance on KY 10, thence traveling eastwardly through town, through the intersections of KY 10 and KY 57, to the Citizens Deposit Bank & Trust lot, where the Parade then turned around and extended back through town to return to the Fairgrounds (following the same route used during the annual Tollesboro Lions Club Fair Parade held each year in July).

Crowds of parade-watchers (as well as young children hoping to grab candy thrown from the Parade participants) lined up along the parade route on KY 10, in driveways and yards of homes, local businesses, and the Tollesboro Christian Church and Tollesboro Methodist Church. The July Parade has been a great success for many years, and the Lions Club was approached about sponsoring a Christmas Parade last year, which the Club enthusiastically supported. HOWEVER the real work is that which is provided and performed by the churches, organizations, individuals and businesses which participate. The Tollesboro Lions Club would like to extend a sincere thank you to all those who have participated or supported the event, with a special thank you to the Lewis County Sheriff's Office, and look forward to making this an ever-growing annual event!

In closing, the Tollesboro Lions Club and the Tollesboro Community would like to offer EVERYONE a MOST MERRY CHRISTMAS as well as to extend BEST WISHES FOR A BLESSED AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!!!



*Far Left: Truesdell Trucking took a two-story approach with their float, featuring Santa as well as the Grinch on the upper level platform, with Santa waving happily at the crowds while the Grinch sneered at them. Center, top: The Lewis County Marching Band of Pride performs while marching through the Parade route. Center, middle: Several fire departments let the crowd know they were there, with lights and sirens! Center, bottom: Antique vehicles as well as semi-trucks made appearances in the Parade. Top right: The Trace Fork Christian Holiness Church float provided a message about the true meaning of CHRISTMAS! Right, bottom left: The Aills Christian Church had a Nativity inspired theme, while the Lewis County Future Farmers of America (right, bottom right) float provided images of gingerbread and candy canes!*

*Collage of Photographs from the 2019 Tollesboro Lions Club Christmas Parade.*



*Closeup of Truesdell Trucking Two-Story Float with Santa and the Grinch!*



*An appropriate way to end this compilation of stories of happenings and events of the Tollesboro Lions Club for 2019, a closeup of the Trace Fork Christian Holiness Church float with a Christmas message about the greatest gift from God to mankind, the Birth of Jesus Christ and the reason that we celebrate Christmas!*

**THE TOLLESBORO LIONS CLUB would like to wish EVERYONE a MOST HAPPY AND BLESSED CHRISTMAS and BEST WISHES that 2020 will be a year filled with blessings for all!!!**  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!**

