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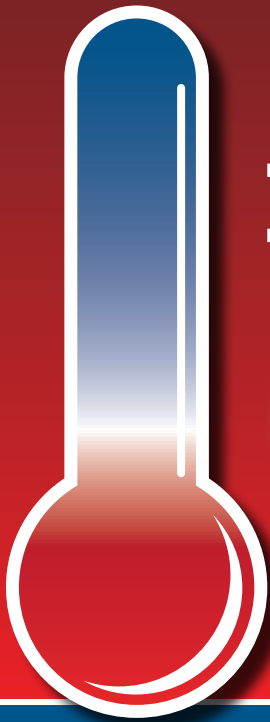
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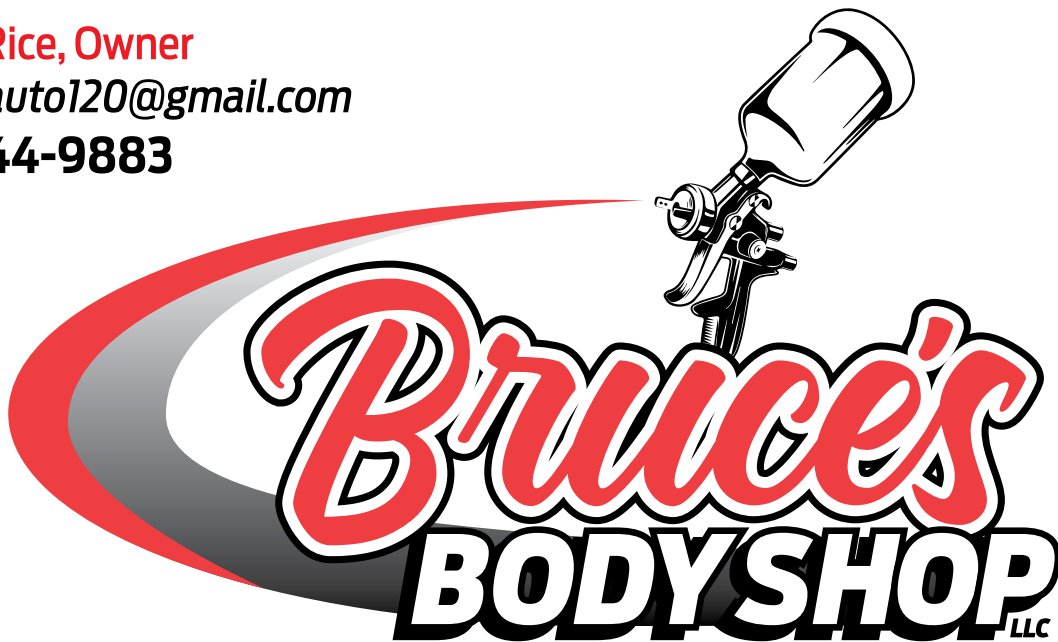
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# Jeremy Lindsey

Jeremy Lindsey is the guy everyone knows. He was born and raised here in Paris, TN and graduated from Henry County High School in 1995. His wife is Kristan Phillips Lindsey, they have two children, Gavin and Ryne Lindsey.

He learned his first life lessons from parents Brenda & Don Parker and Gary & Diane Lindsey. His work history includes Parker Farms, Jim Adams IGA, Tennessean Golf Cours, Save-A-Lot and finally Lakeway IGA. He has held many job positions from farm hand to managing owner and everything in between.

In May of 2005 he and business partner Jim Adams opened Lakeway IGA, a locally owned and operated grocery store with deep roots in Henry County. This business and his dedicated employees have allowed him to give back to the community that he knows and loves.

Lakeway IGA was recognized by the Henry County Chamber of Commerce as the 2018 Business Of the Year. In 2024, Jeremy was recognized as Henry County's Person Of the Year. He has served on the Board of REAL Hope Youth Center, Henry County Chamber of Commerce and the Henry County Youth Baseball Association.

In his limited free time, he enjoys spending time with his friends and family, watching his beloved Chicago Cubs, or mowing his yard.







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Ladies and gentlemen, esteemed guests! On behalf of the Paris Henry County Jaycees, it is my distinct honor to welcome you to the 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry! The week of the Fish Fry promises to be a festival of merriment.

We kick things off with a vibrant lineup: Opening the week with our high-octane thrilled Demolition Derby, legendary Street Dance, a Country Dance brimming with foot-stomping fun, an inspiring Christian Concert, and of course, the exhilarating Carnival! And to top it all off, the iconic Fish Tent will open its doors, with our very own Hostess Princess, Abby Smith taking center stage as she throws the very first hushpuppy of the week! We eagerly anticipate the arrival of our community members from far and wide, to witness the Grand Parade. and be prepared to be awestruck by the captivating Rodeo.

A word of immense gratitude goes out to our sponsors – our local businesses, the Chamber of Commerce, Henry County Tourism Authority, and the City of Paris and Henry County. Without your invaluable contributions, this grand event would simply not be possible. And to our cherished community, your presence is what truly makes this festival a resounding success. The Jaycees and I eagerly await the opportunity to celebrate alongside each and every one of you. A heartfelt thank you goes to my fellow Jaycee chapter members for their unwavering dedication and tireless efforts. Let the feasting commence! It's Fish Fry Time, everyone!

John Paul Casey  
 71st Annually World's Biggest Fish Fry General Manage



**Paris-Henry County**  
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On behalf of the Paris-Henry County Chamber of Commerce, it is our pleasure to extend a warm welcome to you as you join us for the 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry! We are thrilled to have you as our guest in our community.

As you explore the festivities, from the tempting fish tent to the thrilling carnival rides and rodeo action, we hope you'll soak up every moment of fun and excitement. And of course, don't miss out on the highlight of it all – our spectacular Grand Parade!

Here in Paris, Tennessee, we take great pride in kicking off the spring season with the World's Biggest Fish Fry, setting the stage for a season filled with joy and celebration. Your presence here is truly appreciated, and we thank you for supporting our event.

While you're here, we encourage you to immerse yourself in all that our community has to offer. Snap a photo at our replica of the Eiffel Tower, stroll through the quaint shops of historic Downtown Paris, and marvel at the creativity on display at the Back Alley Project. Take in the beauty of our serene lake and experience the warmth of southern hospitality at its finest.

Our Chamber of Commerce, comprised of over 400 dedicated members, reflects the diversity and vitality of our community. We invite you to learn more about what makes our hometown special and the wonderful businesses and services that call it home.

We trust that your time here will be filled with unforgettable experiences and cherished memories. Thank you for your attendance and support, and we look forward to welcoming you back soon. Enjoy your stay!

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Welcome to the "71st World's Biggest Fish Fry" during the week of April 20 through April 27, 2024.

Thank you for joining us for this celebratory annual event. Whether you are a first-time visitor to our community or returning to join in the festivities, I hope you will take advantage of all the available activities, including the opportunity to share a southern fried catfish meal with friends and family as well as enjoy a great parade. As County Mayor and on behalf of the citizens of Henry County, we are honored to have each of you as our guest and are confident you will make some great memories as you participate in the entertainment and fellowship.

I want to send a sincere thanks to the Jaycee's, City of Paris Public Works, First Responders, and all the other volunteers for their efforts to make the 71st annual Fish Fry happen.

Again, thank you for attending the World's Biggest Fish Fry. Always feel free to call on the citizens of our community if we can assist you in any way. We invite you to return to Paris and Henry County, Tennessee for a visit at your first opportunity.

Sincerely,

John Penn Ridgeway  
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Dear Friends,

Welcome to the 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry! Paris, Tennessee is the greatest place in the world to be during the last full week in April.

The joy and passion of the Paris and Henry County community in welcoming visitors, friends, families, and dignitaries is a gracious endeavor. The splendid hospitality of our community surely pays off with all the smiles on the faces of children and adults enjoying activities such as the Grand Parade, Small Fry Parade, Carnival, Rodeo, Street Dance, Arts & Crafts, and Catfish Races. Let's not forget eating the best tasting catfish in the world.

Paris and Henry County is thankful for the beautiful lake area. The Lodge at Paris Landing State Park is one of the most beautiful in the state of Tennessee. The lake provides many enjoyable recreational activities and some of the biggest fishing tournaments in the nation. In addition, the Downtown area in the City of Paris is a beautiful and historic setting for sightseeing and shopping. Take a stroll through the downtown alleys filled with murals about the history of our community known as Back Alley Paris. If you have the opportunity, visit the historical sites such as the Heritage Center and Grove Tower. Be sure to take the time to have a photo made at our Eiffel Tower.

Thank you to the Paris-Henry County Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce, City and County Officials, Staff, parade participants, volunteers, cooks, and servers that work diligently to make The World's Biggest Fish Fry a huge success.

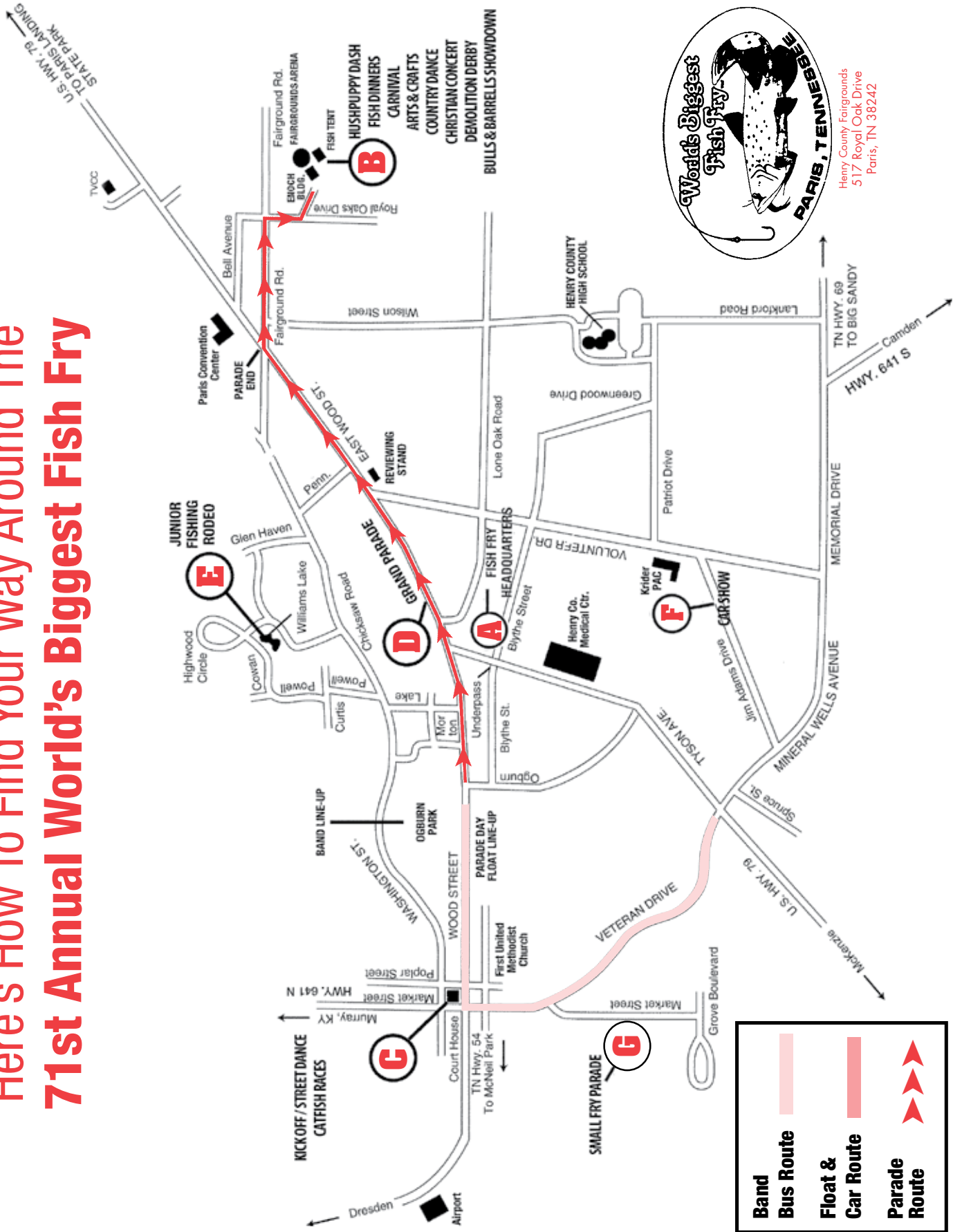
Most of all, thank you to the citizens of Paris and Henry County for making the World's Biggest Fish Fry one of the premier celebrations not only in West Tennessee, but the world.

Sincerely,

Kathy Ray  
 Mayor  
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# Here's How To Find Your Way Around The 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry



# 2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	MAP KEY
<b>GRAND OPENING</b> <i>Join us as we dedicate this year's book and announce our Grand Marshal.</i>	<b>MARCH 30</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>FISH FRY HEADQUARTERS 219 TYSON AVENUE</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>HUSHPUDDY DASH 5K WALK/RUN</b> <i>Registration starts at 7:00AM</i>	<b>APRIL 20</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>CAR &amp; BIKE SHOW</b>	<b>APRIL 20</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>KPAC</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>DEMOLITION DERBY</b> <i>Entry Fee: \$50; Admission: \$15; Children 6-10: \$10; 5 and Under : Free; Pit Passes: \$30</i>	<b>APRIL 20</b>	<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>KICK-OFF / STREET DANCE</b> <i>Entertainment By: <b>Ray Lewis Band</b>, Free Admission</i>	<b>APRIL 22</b>	<b>7:00PM-9:00PM</b>	<b>DOWNTOWN</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>CARNIVAL</b> <i>PrimeTime Carnival</i> <b>ATM machines are available on fairgrounds site.</b>	<b>APRIL 23-25</b> <b>APRIL 26-27</b> <b>APRIL 28</b>	<b>5:00PM-11:00PM</b> <b>11:00AM-11:00PM</b> <b>12:00PM-6:00PM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
		<i>Tuesday: \$5 off Armbands w/ School Coupon / Wed. &amp; Thurs.: \$25 Armbands / Individual Tickets Available</i> <i>Friday &amp; Saturday: \$30 Armbands good for all day / Individual Tickets Available</i> <i>Sunday: \$25 Armbands / Individual Tickets Available</i>		
<b>COUNTRY DANCE</b> <i>Entertainment By: <b>The James Greer Band</b>, Admission: \$5</i>	<b>APRIL 23</b>	<b>7:00PM-10:00PM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>FISH TENT</b> <i>ALL YOU CAN EAT Catfish: Adult: \$20; Children 6-12: \$12</i>	<b>APRIL 24</b> <b>APRIL 25-27</b>	<b>5:00PM-9:00PM</b> <b>11:00AM-9:00PM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>CHRISTIAN CONCERT</b> <i>Entertainment By: <b>The Jonathan Turner Band</b>, \$5 donation</i>	<b>APRIL 24</b>	<b>7:00PM-8:45PM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>ARTS &amp; CRAFTS SHOW</b> <b>(4/24 IS OUTSIDE VENDORS ONLY)</b>	<b>APRIL 24</b> <b>APRIL 25</b> <b>APRIL 26-27</b>	<b>5:00PM-8:30PM</b> <b>5:00PM-8:30PM</b> <b>10:00AM-8:30PM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>THE GRAND PARADE</b> <i>Sponsored By: Merison's Home Furnishing &amp; Eagle Buildings</i>	<b>APRIL 26</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>EAST WOOD STREET</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>CHAMPIONSHIP BULLS &amp; BARRELS SHOWDOWN</b> <i>Parsons &amp; Milam</i>	<b>APRIL 26-27</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>	<b>FAIRGROUNDS</b>	<b>B</b>
		<i>Admission: \$15; Children 6-12: \$12; Under 6 Free with Paying Adult <b>BUY IN ADVANCE: Adults \$12, Children \$7</b></i>		
<b>SMALL FRY PARADE</b>	<b>APRIL 27</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>BARTON FIELD - S. MARKET ST.</b>	<b>G</b>
<b>THE BILL WILLIAMS CATFISH RACES</b>	<b>APRIL 27</b>	<b>11:00AM</b>	<b>COURT SQUARE</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>JUNIOR FISHING RODEO</b> <i>Free for Children 12 and Under</i>	<b>APRIL 27</b>	<b>11:00AM-1:00PM</b>	<b>WILLIAMS LAKE</b>	<b>E</b>



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# 2024 Hostess Princess

It's finally time to celebrate the best tradition - The 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry. I am your 2024 Hostess Princess, Abby Smith. I am so proud to take part in this amazing tradition which brings everyone together. Welcome to Paris and Henry County!

I want to thank my wonderful Hostess Princess Court for the great memories we will make this year. These young ladies are truly the kindest and best. I'm so proud of each and everyone of them. I am so blessed that I am able to experience The World's Biggest Fish Fry with these ladies: First Maid Anne Claire Collins; Second Maid Kennon Wilson, Third Maid Taylor French, and Fourth Maid McKenna Thrower. Thank you ladies for all of your hard work and support!

I also would like to give a huge "shout out" to the PHC Jaycees. They truly do so much to make The World's Biggest Fish Fry an event to remember, and they never disappoint. To each of you members of the Jaycees, thank you for all the time and effort you give to make the World's Biggest Fish Fry so grand. I also want to point out how they take time away from their families and jobs for our community. The Jaycees sacrifice to make sure everything is always running smoothly and that everything is perfect. They always do a great job at it! If you see a Jaycee during Fish Fry week, extend a big thanks for all the hard work!

Our sponsors deserve a big thanks for their generous donations and support. Please make sure you visit them during Fish Fry week and see what great things they have to offer! As they support us, we should support them as well! Our local businesses are sure to have something for everyone! Thank you to Christine Martin for her excellent talent. The photos she has taken this year are absolutely stunning and I couldn't imagine anyone else taking them! Thank you to Commercial Bank and Trust for the generous scholarship. It truly is an honor for me to know I have so much support for the next phase of my life.

This year The World's Biggest Fish Fry is filled with so many activities for everyone: the Hush Puppy Dash, Car Show, Demolition Derby, Carnival, Country Dance, Christian Concert, Arts & Craft Show, Fish Tent, the Rodeo, the fun Street Dance featuring the talented Ray Lewis Band, and the best and main event of it all - The Grand Parade!!!!

Once again I am so grateful for all the help and all the support we have during The World's Biggest Fish Fry. I can't wait to meet as many of you as possible and celebrate this fantastic tradition. See you soon!

# Abby Smith

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## 2024 WORLD'S BIGGEST FISH FRY GENERAL MANAGER JOHN PAUL CASEY

Let's get the catfish frying it's the 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry! We would like to introduce our 2024 General Manager John Casey. John joined the Paris-Henry County Jaycee's in 2013. Since joining, John has been devoted to helping in any way he can. Now you may not have seen him over an event or on a board, but you would have seen him on a grill, setting up the parking lot, picking up trash or anything else behind the scenes to help fish fry run smoothly.

John has lived in Paris all his school life, graduating from Henry County High School in 2004. Outside of volunteering his time with the Paris- Henry County Jaycee's, John is the Fleet Manager at PMB. John is married to his wife Cecilia Casey and has two daughters, Halle Ann, and Parris, who keep him very busy with one graduating this year and the other playing basketball. John loves fishing, watching the Tennessee Vols and being with his family.

John is always one you can count on to get things done. Since joining the Jaycee's ten years ago you can find him helping grill for benefits, the children's Christmas shopping tour, golf tournament, or just maintenance at the Jaycee building.

John is excited for Henry Country and guests to enjoy this week of festivities. Stop by a dance, get a plate of fish, and come out and watch the rodeo. There will be plenty for everyone. Let's gather and show John support and have a great WBFF!



### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The true reward for the countless hours of volunteerism poured into this event lies in the infectious smiles illuminating children's faces, the content sighs of bellies satiated by the Fish Tent's bounty, and the palpable excitement that crackles through the air during the Rodeo, Carnival, and Grand Parade, along with all the other festivities. We extend a debt of sincere gratitude to Christine Martin and the Paris Post Intelligencer for capturing the event's spirit in their published photos, and to the dedicated crew at Abbotts Print Shop for their invaluable contribution. A heartfelt thank you to all of you! This celebration wouldn't be possible without the unwavering commitment of our Jaycee members of every generation, the tireless efforts of numerous civic organizations, the Chamber of Commerce, our dedicated first responders – fire departments, rescue squads, police, sheriffs, AMR ambulance services – and countless others behind the scenes. To each and every one of you, we offer our deepest appreciation. A warm welcome and heartfelt thanks go out to all the Henry County residents, friends, families, and visitors who join us in this joyous celebration. We hope you create lasting memories! Finally, to our esteemed tabloid event sponsors, we express our most profound gratitude. Your generous support plays an indispensable role in making this event a reality. The Jaycees encourage you to reciprocate their support by patronizing our sponsors whenever possible.

### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As President of the Paris-Henry County Jaycees I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to everyone this year for the World's Biggest Fish Fry. We invite you to a spectacular week of festivities celebrating our community heritage and hospitality. Whether you're local or a first time visitor, there's something for everyone.

Engage in the week-long celebration by putting on your running shoes for the Hushpuppy Dash 5K, bringing a dance partner to the Country Dance, and keeping your boots on for the Rodeo. Explore classic cars at the car show, witness the excitement of the demolition derby. The Grand Parade is the perfect way to involve everyone in commemorating our community.

Don't forget this is the World's Biggest Fish Fry, so don't leave hungry or forget to share your stories when you collect a souvenir from the WBFF Headquarters. Your participation is key to our success, and we thank you for the opportunity to uphold this cherished tradition.

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# HISTORY OF THE WORLD'S BIGGEST FISH FRY

The "Fish Fry" evolved from "Mule Day," which originated in 1938 with the Paris Post Intelligencer as the first sponsor. Farmers came to town on the first Monday in April to trade their mules and other farm products, do their shopping, and enjoy the fellowship of their friends. Early in the 1950's, the Chamber of Commerce took over "Mule Day" and the tractors took the place of mules. The Chamber of Commerce started looking for another event to replace "Mule Day."

In 1953, the Chamber of Commerce held the first "Fish Fry." The event was not as successful as hoped. The fish were not taken from Kentucky Lake and just did not please the fish eating public. The parade was short but sweet, and the event was held on Barton Field for one day and night.

In 1961, the Paris-Henry County Jaycees took over the "Fish Fry" from the Chamber of Commerce. The "Fish Fry" was starting to grow too much for the Chamber to handle, so the Jaycees (Junior Chamber of Commerce) took over the event, taking the name of "World's Biggest Fish Fry," an event that truly lives up to its name.

Since 1961, the "World's Biggest Fish Fry" has grown considerably – from 1,600 pounds to over 5 tons of catfish being cooked and served at the Robert E. "Bobby" Cox Memorial Fish Tent.

Community participation and support of the "World's Biggest Fish Fry" unites the community in many ways. Community involvement by attending one of the seven beauty pageants, buying souvenirs, eating fish dinners, attending the rodeo, entering or watching the Grand Parade or the Small Fry Parade, and going to the carnival makes the event successful.



The history of the "Fish Fry" started with the farmers and their mules. Each past "Fish Fry" makes new history by trying new and different things, increased attendance, more catfish served, and more community involvement.

The Paris-Henry County Jaycees hope to make the "World's Biggest Fish Fry" bigger and better each year.





# Welcome to the 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry!



**2024 World's  
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Hostess Princess Court**

**Photos by:  
Christine Martin**

## 2024 Hostess Princess

Hi everyone I'm Abby Smith.  
Welcome to the World's Biggest Fish Fry.

I am the sixteen year old daughter of James and Tas Smith, and sister to Emily Ann Smith and Sam Smith. I am a sophomore at Henry County High School. I am a member of the Patriot track team and an active member of Future Farmers of America (FFA). Through FFA I compete on the business and marketing team, and am working to build my dairy proficiency. I am an active competitor in dairy cow showmanship, and show dairy jersey cows for Tri-Springs Farm. My family and I are active members of First Baptist Church of Paris, and I am also very involved in Henry County Young Life. Ever since I won the Catfish Races in third grade, I have been hooked on everything about the World's Biggest Fish Fry. I am very honored to be chosen as the Hostess Princess for the 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry.

I look forward to the many opportunities to get out in the community, meet people, and actively participate in the many traditions we celebrate through the activities associated with the World's Biggest Fish Fry.

**Abby Smith**

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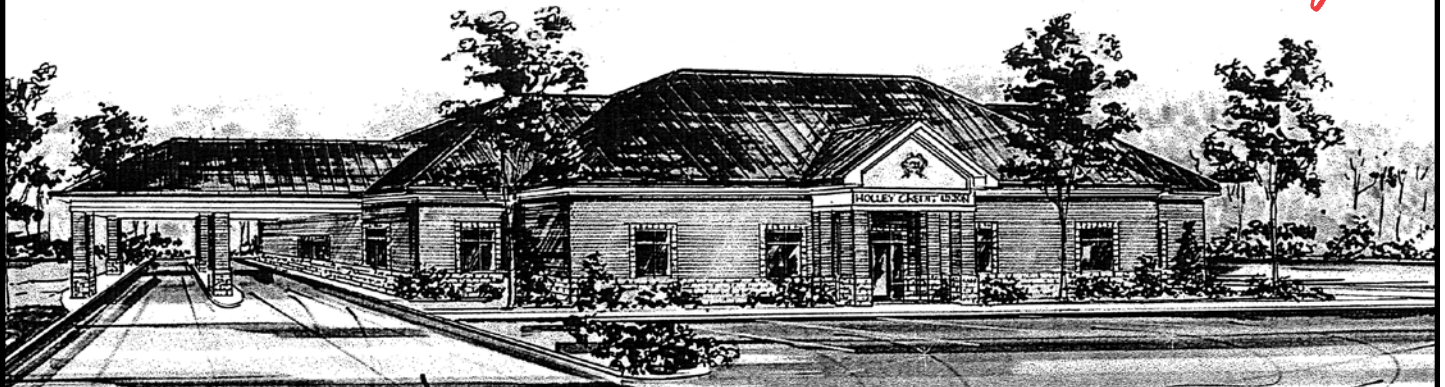
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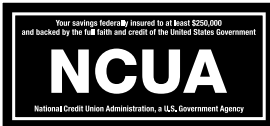
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## 2024 Hostess Princess First Maid

Hi my name is Anne Claire Collins. I am the daughter of Andy and Susanne Collins. I am a junior at Henry County High School.

I'm so excited to be the first maid in the Hostess Princess Court and am so excited to be representing Henry County. I am currently a Henry County Cheerleader, I play Volleyball for the Lady Patriots, and sing with the Madrigals. At school I am involved in Student Ambassadors, and am a member of the National Honors Society. I enjoy spending time with my church youth group at Springhill Baptist Church. In my free time I enjoy spending time with family and friends, playing with my dog Ash, and reading. It is an honor and a privilege to represent Henry County and work with the Jaycees at the 71st annual Worlds Biggest Fish Fry!

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## 2024 Hostess Princess Second Maid

Hi everyone I'm Kennon Wilson and I'm the 17 year old daughter of Jason and Traci Wilson. I'm so excited to be a part of this court and ready to represent our community and its long-standing traditions!

I'm currently a senior at Henry County High School where I'm a patriot cheerleader and compete with our HOSA quiz bowl team. In addition to extracurricular activities I work at Lakeway Nutrition and I'm involved with the Paris First United Methodist youth group.

In the future I plan to attend the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and major in nursing. After graduating I plan to specialize in labor and delivery or pediatric care.



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## 2024 Hostess Princess Third Maid

My name is Taylor Grace French, and I am your 2024 WBFF Third Maid. I am 17 years old, and a senior at Henry County High School. I played for the HCHS Lady Patriots Volleyball team for 3 years, and received the honor of all-district for the 2024-2024 season. Also, I played softball for 7 years, but decided that volleyball had my heart.

I live in Paris, TN and have for the majority of my life. I love the fact that I've grown up in Henry County. I have been involved in pageants from a very young age, and enjoyed competing with all of these wonderful ladies over the years. I have an amazing job at Lakeway IGA, where I spend my time interacting with, and also getting to serve the community.

Throughout the years, I have been educated in the wonderful school system of PSSD and HCSS. In the future, I plan to enter college and pursue a degree in nursing. I am so thankful to be in the 2024 WBFF Hostess Princess Court, with all of these beautiful ladies. I cannot wait to make many cherished memories with this wonderful group, and hold this experience in my heart forever.



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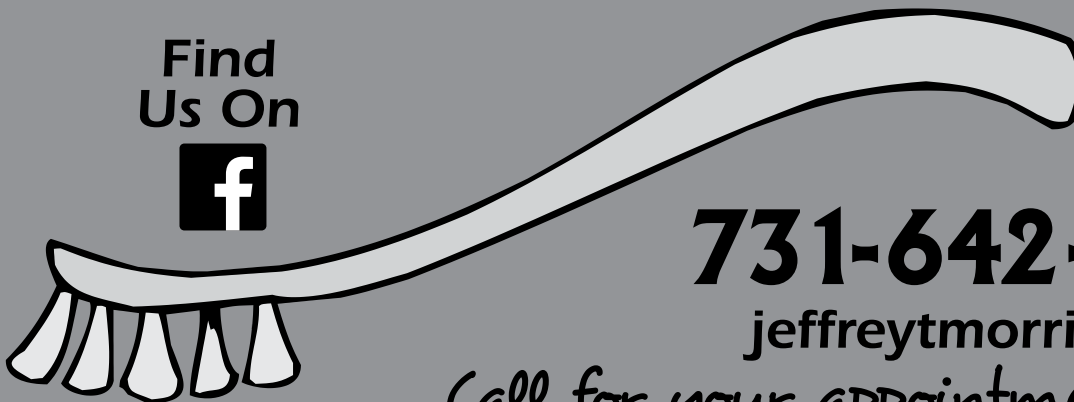
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## 2024 Hostess Princess Fourth Maid

The 19 year old daughter of Michael and Sherry Thrower...I am McKenna Thrower. Right now my younger self is pinching myself as I always dreamt of being on the hostess princess court, getting to ride through the parade and participate in all of the great events and fun activities which is why I am so excited to be representing you in the 71st Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry! While I am studying to obtain my Bachelor of Science in Business, you can also find me working with patients at Dynamix Physical Therapy, come book a table with me at the prestigious Oaklawn Southern Dining, or join me in volunteering with my personal platform Soles4Souls where with the help of our community, I have collected over 3,500 pairs of new and used shoes to donate to those in need. It is such a humbling experience to get to combine my work with this organization with the amazing people of my community. It brings me joy knowing that I can make such a difference in people's lives with simply a pair of shoes. Be watching for locations along the parade route where you too can drop off shoes and help to change the lives of others. Remember if you wear it, WEAR IT! If you don't...DONATE IT!

I cannot wait to see you all at this year's World's Biggest Fish Fry!

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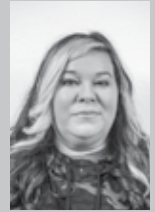
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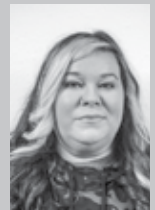
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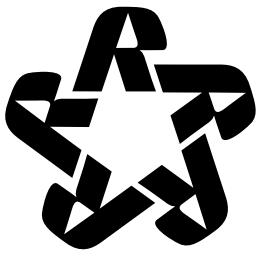


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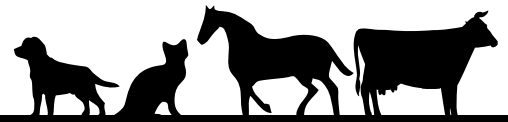


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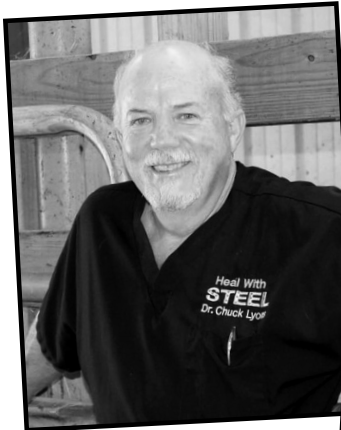


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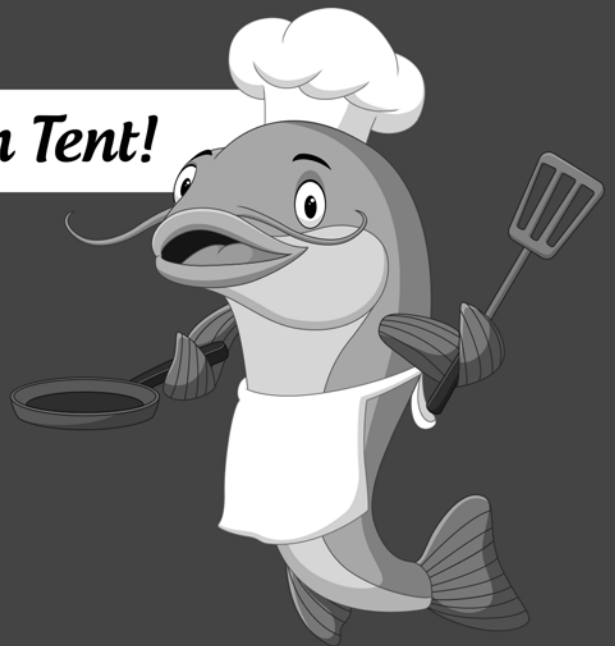
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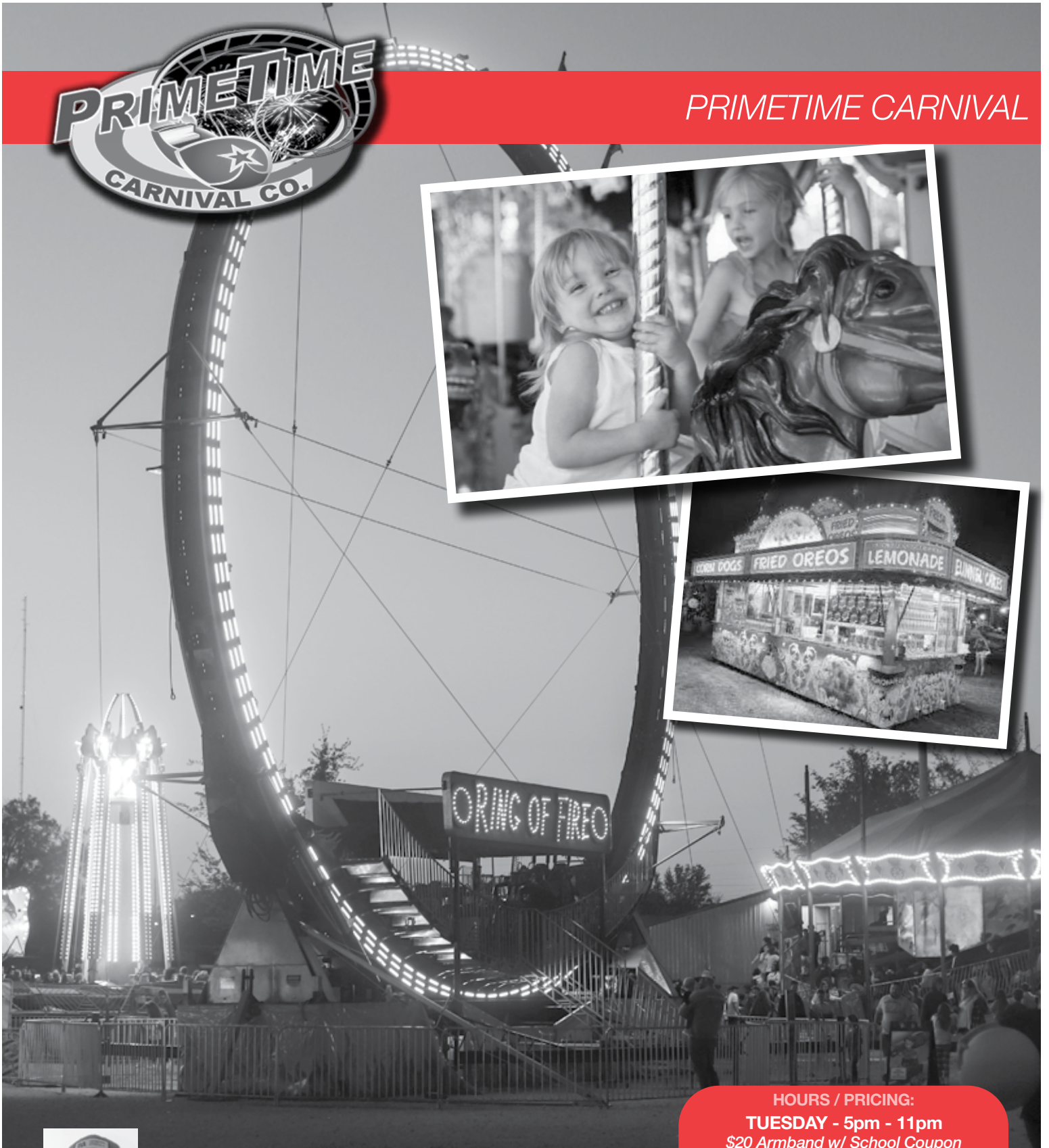
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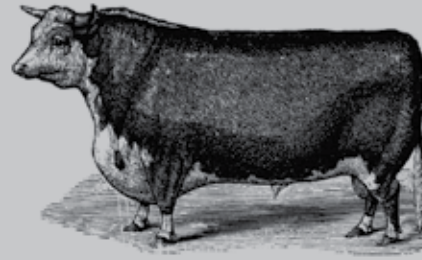
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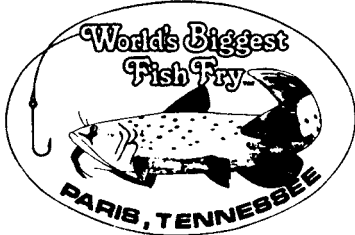
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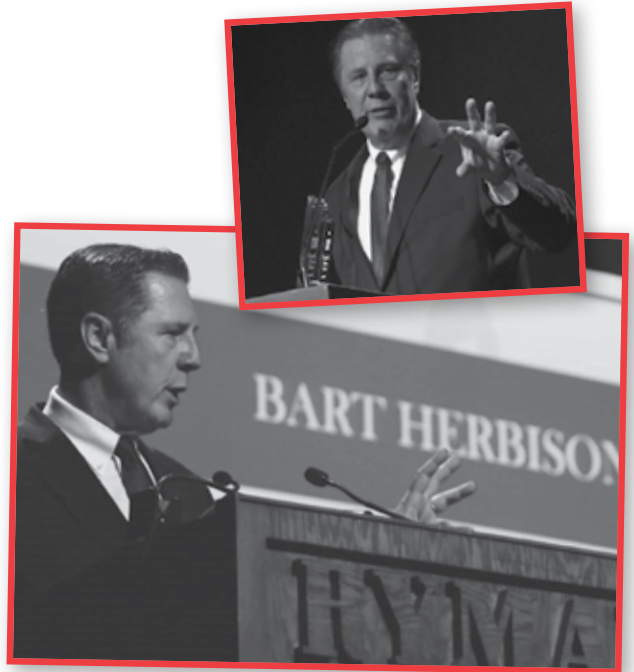


# 2024 GRAND

## Bart Herbison

A Paris, Tenn., native, Bart Herbison spent 14 years in commercial radio at WTRP, WAKQ and WMUF in Paris. He worked as a reporter and as a correspondent for The Nashville Banner newspaper and Tennessee Radio Network before joining the administration of former Tennessee Governor Ned McWherter as Deputy Director of Communications in 1987. Herbison then served as Press Secretary, Campaign Manager and Chief Tennessee Administrative Officer for U.S. Rep. Bob Clement (Nashville) in from 1988-1997 when he left DC's Capitol Hill for Music Row.

Herbison is Executive Director of the Nashville Songwriters Association International (NSAI), the world's largest not-for-profit songwriters trade organization and advocacy group. Established in 1967, NSAI's membership spans the United States and several other countries. With nearly one hundred chapters, they serve aspiring and professional songwriters in all genres of music. NSAI also owns The Bluebird Cafe in Nashville, Tennessee.



Under Herbison's leadership NSAI gained prominence in the national legislative arena. Accomplishments include:

- Adoption of the "Music Modernization Act" in 2018, the most important copyright law reform for songwriters in decades.
- Creation of the Mechanical Licensing Collective (MLC) of which he is a board member.
- Led NSAI's involvement in the 2016 Copyright Royalty Board (CRB) trial that led to a 44% mechanical royalty increase for American songwriters, the largest in history, translating up to an estimated \$10-12 billion in increased royalties 2024-2027.
- Passage of the landmark "Songwriters Capital Gains Tax Equity Act" in 2006.
- Creation of the first-ever Group Copyright Infringement Insurance for songwriters with Frost Specialty Inc.
- Acquisition of the world-famous "Bluebird Café" in 2008.
- Purchase of the "Music Mill" studios as NSAI headquarters in 2005.

In 2018 Herbison received two prestigious national honors for his songwriter advocacy work -- the "Industry Legacy Award" from the National Music Publishers Association (NMPA) and the "IP Champion's Award" from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Global Innovation Policy Center. In 2020 the Los Angeles Chapter of the Assn. of Independent Music Publishers (AIMP) recognized Bart for his advocacy work and in 2021 he received the "Arnold Broido Award" for Copyright Advocacy from the Music Publishers Assn. (MPA). In 2024 Bart was bestowed the prestigious "Bob Kingsley Living Legend Award" to benefit the Grand Old Opry Trust Fund.

Appearing in his first movie role, Herbison portrayed himself in the 2017 film "Wheeler" starring Stephen Dorff. He is featured in the documentaries "The Last Songwriter" released in 2018 and "It All Begins With A Song" where he also served as Assistant Executive Producer. In 2009 Bart was one of the original seven inductees in the Henry County High School Speech and Theater Wall of Fame in Paris, Tennessee for his successes in debate and extemporaneous speaking and subsequent accomplishments. Herbison hosts the video/print interview series "Story Behind the Song" appearing in The Tennessean and other Gannett newspapers.

# MARSHALS

## Mark Herbison

Mark Herbison is the son of JB. Herbison and Carol Stigall and grew up in Paris with his brothers Bart and Jon and sister, Lori. He has more than 30 years of economic development and governmental experience with an emphasis on business recruitment, retention, and expansion programs.

Early in his career, Herbison spent time as a disk jockey at WMUF, WTPR, WIN 107 and as a statewide radio news reporter with the Tennessee Radio Network. After leaving radio, Herbison served for nearly 10 years in various roles within the Tennessee Secretary of State's office in Nashville, including public information officer, assistant director of publications and as administrative assistant to the Secretary of State. In 1996, Herbison coauthored a book entitled "Looking Back at Tennessee," that was published by Hillsboro Press.

In 1998, Herbison returned to Paris/Henry County to fill the role of director of economic development. Since then, Herbison has served as an Automotive Recruitment Consultant at the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development, as director of economic development at the Nashville Chamber of Commerce, as Vice President of Economic Development at the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and served for over 13 years as the Sr. Vice President of Economic Development (Now Chief Economic Development Officer) for the Greater Memphis Chamber.

Prior to his current role as President of the newly formed Tipton County Community Development Council in July 2024, Herbison served as President of HTL Advantage, a three-county industrial development agency serving Haywood, Tipton, and Lauderdale Counties in West Tennessee. HTL was the agency responsible for the local level recruitment of Ford Blue Oval City to the Memphis Regional Megasite in 2021. The Blue Oval City project is the largest project in history for both the state of Tennessee and Ford and is expected to create over 10,000 high quality manufacturing jobs in the next three years.

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Floats will be lined up on Wood Street next to the curb headed East. All other entries will be in the Church of Christ parking lot. The horses will be asked to unload and prepare at the lower level of Ogburn Park. Also, all judging will be done prior to the start of the parade.

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2006	Chris Martin	Loria Plunk	Toni Kaye Bowden	Danielle "DJ" Hrachovina	Chris Martin
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