

2024 STREET FAIR SCRAPBOOK





The 2024 Bluffton Free Street Fair parade marshal was Erin Prible, who serves as executive director of the Wells County Chamber of Commerce. She is pictured above with her husband, Mark, at the opening night parade on Tuesday. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Katelyn Dubach played the saxophone with the Marching Starfires from South Adams High School in the Wednesday evening parade. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Ophelia Humphrey walked with the Rising Stars Twirling Academy in the opening parade, and marveled at all the friendly faces in the crowd. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



The Wells County Public Library staff represented this year's One Book One County title, "Frog and Toad Together" by Arnold Lobel, in the industrial parade. Pictured is Lora Kieser, who works in the library's circulation department, and behind is Tom Pfister, whose wife, Angela, also works in circulation. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)

On the Cover:
Morgan Isch
and Jayla Gerber
are held in
suspense at
the top of the
Ring of Fire,
positioned on
the north side
of the Street
Fair. (Photo by
Holly Gaskill)

PARADES



The Norwell Knights cheerleaders led the district in the industrial parade, and stopped at the intersection of Market and Johnson streets to lift Tenlee Morris. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Pictured above is the Wells County Historical Society's float entry with this year's theme, "Passport to Fun." The theme was inspired by the grand marshal, Erin Prible, and the Chamber of Commerce's passport program.

At left is David Fraysier with his sidecar sidekick in the opening parade. (Photos by Holly Gaskill)

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Braden Yencer plays the trombone with the Southern Wells Jr.-Sr. High School band. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Scott Johnson (above) and Dorrance Stinson (at right) drive their tractors during the Wheels of Yesteryear parade on Wednesday. (Photos by Holly Gaskill)



At right are Ben Jones, Jim Van Winkle and Don Goodwin with the Vietnam Veterans of America float during the opening parade. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Ezra Eckelbarger rides along in his car with Property Rx during the industrial parade. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)

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Fritz Miller from Pack 3149 at Bluffton-Harrison Elementary School walks with his troop during the opening night parade. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Taylyn McAfee, Toby Sheets and Gracelyn Davis wave to the crowd from the back of a pick-up truck with 20/20 Custom Molded Plastics during the industrial parade. (Photos by Holly Gaskill)



Frosty the Snowman was spotted melting hearts along the Midway. The mascot walked with a float advertising a survey about the city's holiday lights. (Photo by Sydney Kent)



Jaxen Garcia (left) and Jacki DeWeese from the Stealth Partner Group blow bubbles from the back of a pick-up truck in the industrial parade. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



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KIDS DAY



A new Street Fair prince and princess — Willow Lane and Kyeson Bradley, pictured above — were crowned Saturday afternoon at the Parlor City Plaza. At left, Kaehria Fiechter speeds down the lane as part of the tractor pull competition. (Photos by Jonathan Snyder)

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Joel Reinhard holds Quinn Reinhard as she looks eagerly toward the finish line of Saturday's Diaper Derby. (Photo by Jonathan Snyder)



Kids Day on Saturday morning offers competitions for baby crawling, tractor pull and big wheel race, as well as the princess and prince pageant. At left, Joshua Frauhiger speeds down Washington Street on a tricycle. Below left, Burke Pfister pedals his hardest in an attempt to pull the weight attached. Eli Quinn readies himself for the crawling race below. (Photos by Jonathan Snyder)



Street Fair Idol

This year's Bluffton Street Fair Idol winner was Thomas Garza, who presented an original piece, "Treat Lightly." Afterward, Garza said he's finishing a degree in audio engineering at Ball State and wants to continue pursuing rap and music. Emily Edmiston, middle, won second with her rendition of "Power of Love" by Celine Dion, and Jessica Clark, left, won third with "Feeling Good" by Nina Simone. At right, Lexi Lamons sings during the competition. (Photos by Jonathan Snyder)



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MUSIC



Pictured above is Wednesday night's community worship event, which featured worship leaders from various local congregations leading the audience through a variety of music. (Photo by Holly Gaskill) At left, Tim Shambaugh plays his own concert outside The Hideaway on Saturday night of the fair. (Photo by Sydney Kent)



There's no shortage of opportunities to hear bands during Street Fair — above left, New Haven eighth grade student Dasha Mobley plays the trumpet in Wednesday's marching band parade. Above right, Art Reiner leads the Street Fair Band in their float through the parade. The Street Fair band played during every parade and throughout downtown. (Photos by Holly Gaskill)



Emily Edmiston sings her heart out at Street Fair Idol. (Photo by Jonathan Snyder)

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FUN & GAMES



Naivee Brinneman rides the merry-go-round on the opening night of the fair. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Finleigh Miller, Tinsley Spriggle, Maggie Andrews and Veronica Haiflich all smile as the dragon roller coaster speeds along the track above. (Photo by Jonathan Snyder)



Above, Cash McLeod (above) flies down the super slide. (Photo by Sydney Kent). At right, Dalen Heller and Quorra Anderson throw ping pong balls into fish bowls, attempting to win a gold fish. (Photo by Holly Gaskill)



Allen Lohse (left) and Xavion Cook hold on as the gravitron spins them around. (Photo by Jonathan Snyder)



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FNX Wrestling took over the Bluffton City Gym Friday night to host several matches, including Anthony Toatel's match against Dacobra. Anthony Toatel incited cheers from the audience at top, while above, kids cheer along with the action at ringside. (Photos by Holly Gaskill)



Chris Englehardt kept his wife, Ginger's-, car in pristine condition during the annual antique and classic car show. (Photo by Sydney Kent)

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