

53rd Anniversary 2022 Groves Pecan Festival Event Schedule



This year's 53nd Annual Festival is for four full days from Thursday, October 13th through Sunday, October 16th. The Groves Pecan Festival Board of Directors would like to encourage every one of <u>ALL</u> <u>AGES</u> to come and visit the festival. You can eat your way through the food area with ice cream, funnel cakes, pecan pie, fried desserts, curly fries, gumbo, hamburgers, barbecue, pork-a-bobs, boudain balls, nachos, pistolettes, breakfast food etc., then you can wash it down with freshly squeezed homemade lemonade and flavored teas. Also, the craft area should have something for everyone. This year's Platinum Sponsor is once again **TotalEnergies, Inc**.

The Groves Pecan Festival Carnival opens in Lion's Park, along with the craft and food booths, on Thursday, October 13^{th} from 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Friday, October 14^{th} from 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Saturday, October 15^{th} from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. and 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 16^{th} . Additionally, there will be entertainment and events which will run throughout the festival. Lion's Park is located at 6200 Jackson. There is no charge for admission.

Kenny's Funland, LLC

Carnival Ride Arm Bands will be available on Thursday, October 13^{th} for the price of **\$25.00** and for Friday, October 14^{th} for the price of **\$30.00**. Arm Bands will also be available for Saturday, October 15^{th} for ALL DAY for the price of **\$35.00**. On Sunday, October 16^{th} , Arm Bands will be available for **\$30.00** from 12 noon until 6:00 p.m. Daily carnival ride wristbands can be purchased for the carnival rides for each day of the festival, and are good for only one day, the day they are purchased. \$1.00 tickets will also be sold at the carnival, with rides requiring 2 - 5 tickets. Arm Band Sponsors are: Thursday night – **MARKET BASKET** and Friday, Saturday & Sunday nights – **Gulf Credit Union**.

<u>Starting on Monday, October 10th</u>, the **2022 Groves Pecan Festival Treasure Hunt** will begin. Clues will appear on the "Groves Pecan Festival" Facebook page at 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. If needed, bonus clues for the golden pecans will be released the following day at 7 p.m. Bonus clues for the grand prize will be released at 8 p.m. on Saturday and noon on Sunday if needed.

Hunters can find daily Golden Pecans worth \$50 (Monday-Thursday) and there will be a grand prize of \$400. The clues WILL NOT appear in The Port Arthur News any longer. This year's sponsor will once again be **Levingston Funeral Home**.

The treasure is hidden in the city limits of Groves and destruction of property is not needed to find it. PLEASE NOTE: The treasure IS NOT located in the Horseshoe Pit or in CELEBRATION PARK, located at the corner of Lincoln Ave. and Coolidge. All treasures are on property accessible to the public. If you think you have found the Golden Pecan and/or the Grand Prize, post on the Facebook page the confirmation code so the find can be confirmed. Then you will need to take it to the Groves Chamber office at 4399 Main Ave. Monday through Thursday, or to the Chamber of Commerce booth on the festival grounds Friday through Sunday to receive your prize. All efforts will be made to notify treasure hunters as soon as possible through Facebook that a treasure has been found. ALL Golden Pecans and/or the Grand Prize which have NOT been turned into the Groves Chamber of Commerce before 6:00 P.M. on Sunday, October 16th, 2022 WILL BE DECLARED NULL AND VOID.

For festival information, call the Groves Chamber of Commerce at (409) 962-3631.

This year's Treasure Hunt Chairperson is Ricky Brannen

P.S. Any questions pertaining to treasures and/or clues will not be answered until after the hunt is over. Please try to refrain from discussing clues in the comment section. Good luck and happy hunting!

<u>The Cooking with Pecans Contest</u>, sponsored by **Oak Grove Nursing Home and Julian Salter Insurance Company** will be held on **Saturday**, **October 15**th. Each entry will have an official entry form and a copy of the recipe on an index card/sheet at the time it is entered.

Entry must be submitted in a **disposable dish or non-returnable dish.** We will not be responsible for any dishes. **We will not return any food left.**

Entries & recipes become the property of the Groves Chamber and may possibly be used in a future Groves Pecan Festival cookbook.

PLEASE NOTE: If you enter multiple entries into the Cooking with Pecans contest, only one entry per category will be allowed to place in the awards should yours be chosen.

Entries will be accepted at the Chamber office located at 4399 Main Avenue from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 15, 2022. (NO LATE ENTRIES) There will be entry forms available until noon on Saturday, October 15, 2022, at the Chamber booth on the Festival grounds.

Judging begins at 3:00 pm on October 15th and winners will be announced at the Festival stage area between 6:00 pm-6:30 pm.

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AND MAY BE PICKED UP AT: GROVES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 4399 MAIN AVE. and MERLE NORMAN & BELLA BOUTIQUE, 4300 Lincoln Ave., Ste. #2 If you have any QUESTIONS, call the Chamber office at (409) 962-3631 before October 15th.

<u>The Groves Pecan Festival Pet Show</u>, sponsored by Neighborhood Veterinary Clinic and Snooper's Paradise, will be <u>Sunday</u>, October 16th, at 1:00 p.m. at the Lee Rodgers Pavilion located in Lion's Park. Pet Show registration begins at 12 noon. The Chairperson is Carol Sigona.

<u>The Horseshoe Tournament</u> - will be held in Lion's Park Horseshoe Pits, located at 6200 Jackson, on <u>Sunday, October 16^{th @}12:00 PM</u>.

Entry fees will be \$20 for the Doubles Horseshoe Tournament and \$5 for Singles. The Doubles Horseshoe Tournament will begin at 1:00 PM, with Singles to follow Doubles. Sign-up begins 1 hour prior to start time.

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Festival Weekend Schedule of Events

Entertainment Sponsors are **BASF TOTAL Energies Petrochemicals LLC & Groves Equipment Rental Co. Inc. & MCT Credit Union**

Thursday, October 13, 2022

Continuous Entertainment: 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Carnival, Food, and Craft Booths Open

5:00 -10:00 p.m. *Music by Beau Wilson of Electrifying Sounds DJ Service* will once again entertain festival goers.

Friday October 14, 2022

Continuous Entertainment: 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. – Carnival, Food, and Craft Booths Open

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. *Music by Beau Wilson of Electrifying Sounds DJ Service* 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Band to Play, "**The Rollin Bones**" **Band,** Lee Rodgers Pavilion

Saturday, October 15, 2022

Entertainment: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. - Carnival, Food and Craft Booths Open

11:00 a.m. - Festival Kick-Off - The National Anthem will be sung by Norma Touchette!
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tonalta School of Music
1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. June Badon's School of Dance
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Armentor's United Martial Arts
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. DANCEWORKS
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Debbie's Dance Etc.
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Music by Beau Wilson of Electrifying Sounds DJ Service
6:00 p.m. - Introduction of the 2022 Groves Pecan Pageant Queen and her Court.
6:15 p.m. - Announce the winners of the "Cooking with Pecans" contest
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Band to Play, "OLE LONESOME", Lee Rodgers Pavilion

Sunday, October 16, 2022

<u>Continuous Entertainment</u>: The Groves Pecan Festival Carnival opens in Lion's Park, along with the craft and food booths from 12 noon until 6:00 p.m.

Entertainment & Events: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. - <u>Music by Beau Wilson of Electrifying Sounds DJ Service</u> 12:00 Noon **Pet Show Registration** at Lee Rodgers Pavilion.

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1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. PET SHOW

 $3{:}00\ p.m.-4{:}00\ p.m.$ Port Neches Middle School Choir

 $4{:}00\ p.m.-5{:}00\ p.m.$ Groves Middle School Choir

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Indian Chorale and PNG Choir

6:00 p.m. END of FESTIVAL