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"Hawkins County Heroes: 1776 – 2008"

Rogersville's Heritage Days 2008 celebrates the county's military heritage with the theme Hawkins County Heroes: 1776 – 2008." The festival, now in its 29th year, is sponsored by First Community Bank, Wellmont Hawkins County Memorial Hospital and the Tennessee Arts Commission. Dates for this year's festival are Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 10, 11 and 12.

The festival will showcase Hawkins County's military history. Visitors from the past will grace the museum at the Southern Depot as Rogersville's citizens and soldiers describe their involvement in the Battle of Big Creek in 1863. Participants include soldiers who were captured or died in the battle and wives and mothers whose loved ones were caught up in the conflict. The museum will also host an exhibit of military memorabilia from the Revolutionary War to the present. (Page 6)

An honor guard of Sons of the Revolution will participate in a flag ceremony on the Town Square on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. The Five-Oh-First Army Airborne World War Two Reenactors will be camped on the Town Square in front of the Masonic Lodge, (Page 7) and the 12th Tennessee Cavalry Division and the 14th Tennessee Artillery Division will create a Civil War encampment in the courtyard of the Hale Springs Inn.

Friday's events begin at 5:30p.m. as the Cadets from Volunteer and Cherokee High School's NROTC units and the Rogersville City School Drum Line, directed by Patricia Rhoton, lead the Children's Parade through Main Street. At the same time, teams at the Heritage Days Chili Cook-off will be preparing their spicy dishes for a hoard of hungry tasters. The cooking will begin at 3:00, with judging at 5:30.

Following the Children's Parade, Larry Elkins hosts the Heritage Days Car Show. Musical entertainment on the Town Square is from 6:30 until 9:00.

Saturday, beginning at 10:00 and Sunday, beginning at noon, over 100 craft artists will line Main Street, offering unique hand crafted items for sale. Heritage events include demonstrations of traditional skills such as spinning, basketry, wood carving, and dulcimer making. World War II vehicles and the Antique Farm Equipment will be on display on Depot Street. The **Quilt Show** (Page 8) will be at the Hawkins County Courthouse and the **Art and Photography Show** (Page 9) will be on exhibit in the Community Room of U S Bank

Continuous entertainment will be offered on the Town Square, and will feature traditional music of the region, from traditional Scottish music and 18th century ballads to bluegrass, traditional country and gospel music. The Dance Stage located on Washington at Depot, will feature area cloggers and square dancers.

Children's activities include traditional games at "Days Gone By," learning activities in the Demonstrator's yard, inflatable games, rock climbing and bungee jumping.

Of course, there are always wonderful things to eat! Favored fare ranges from the area's finest Pig 'n' Chick barbeque to the famous Rotary funnel cakes. Hot roasted nuts, caramel apples and kettle korn will tempt every appetite. More traditional choices such as hot dogs, hamburgers, and fries will also be available along with ice cream treats near the Young'uns Yard.

Heritage Days is a regional tradition, a fun-filled weekend with events and excitement for every age and every taste. As it enters its 30th successful year, it is easy to understand why it has been named one of the twenty top events in the Southeast. Funds raised by the festival are used for the preservation of historic properties in Rogersville. For more information about Heritage Days 2008, call the Rogersville Heritage Association Office at 423-272-1961 or visit our website: [www.rogersvilleheritage.org](http://www.rogersvilleheritage.org).



# HERITAGE DAYS CHILDREN'S PARADE

Friday, October 10, 2008

Children from birth to age 12 are invited to participate in the 2008 Heritage Days Children's Parade. This year's theme will be: Hawkins County Heroes: 1776 - 2008

Registration begins at 4:15 p.m. in the First Baptist Church parking lot.

Registration ends and judging begins at 5:00 p.m.

Winners will be announced at 5:20 p.m.

The parade will start down Main Street promptly at 5:30 p.m. and end at the Shepard's Center Parking Lot.

The parade will be lead by Cadets from Volunteer and Cherokee High School's NROTC units and the Rogersville City School Drum Line, directed by Patricia Rhoton.

Costume Suggestions: **Heroes of yesterday and today**

Prizes: All participants will receive a ribbon.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in individual and group categories of Most Authentic, Most Creative and Cutest.

**Sponsors:**

**US Bank**

**Rogersville/Hawkins County Chamber of Commerce**

**Bicycle donated by Wal-mart**

**Parade Coordinator: Nancy Barker,**

**Rogersville/Hawkins County Chamber of Commerce**

**272-2186**

## Schedule of Events

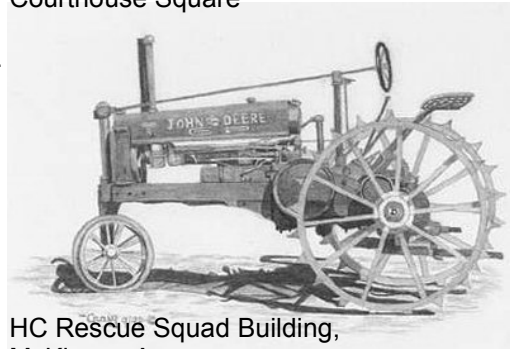
### Friday, October 10, 2008

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| <p><b>3 - 6 p.m.</b>            <b>Great Chili Cook-off</b></p> <p><b>4:15 p.m.</b>            Register for Children's Parade</p> <p><b>5,6,7, 8 p.m.</b>        Soul Food Dinner</p><br><p><b>5:15 p.m.</b>            Cherokee and Volunteer NROTC units and RCS Drum Line will lead</p> <p><b>6:00 p.m.</b>            Drill Team Presentation: Cherokee and Volunteer NROTC</p><br><p><b>6:15 - 9:00 p.m.</b>    Antique Car Show and Cruise-In</p> <p><b>6:15 - 9:00 p.m.</b>    U. S. Navy Band Mid-South: Freedom</p> | <p>SW Town Square</p> <p>1st Baptist Parking Lot</p> <p>Price School Community Center, Hasson Street</p> <p>1st Baptist Parking Lot</p> <p>Main Street at Courthouse Square</p> <p>Main Street</p> <p>Main Stage, SW Town Square</p> |
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### Saturday, October 11, 2008

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| <p><b>11:00 a.m.</b>            City School Drum Line</p> <p><b>11:00 a.m.</b>            Tennessee Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard, <i>commanded by Charles de Leusomme.</i></p><br><p><b>12:00 noon</b>            Antique Tractor Parade around event perimeter</p><br><p><b>12:00noon and 1:30pm</b>        Hawkins County Civil War Personification @ Southern Depot</p><br><p><b>2 p.m. - 6 p.m.</b>        <a href="#">Rogersville HS 50s Reunion</a></p> | <p>Courthouse Square</p> <p>Courthouse Square</p><br><p>HC Rescue Squad Building, McKinney Avenue</p> |
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### Sunday, October 12, 2008

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| <p><b>2 p.m.</b>                Antique Tractor Parade around event perimeter</p><br><p><b>2 p.m. and 3:30pm</b>    Hawkins County Civil War Personification @ Southern Depot</p><br><p><b>6:00 p.m.</b>            Taps</p> |
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## Daily – Saturday and Sunday

**Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and Sunday 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.**

Craft Booths Open..... Main Street  
Art & Photography Show..... U S Bank Community Room  
Entertainment..... Main Stage, SW Town Square  
Dance Stage..... Depot at Washington Street  
Quilt Show..... Hawkins County Court House  
Antq. Farm Equip. Show..... South Depot Street

Demonstrators' Yard..... Town Square \*in front of Colboch-Price  
Civil War Encampment..... Courtyard of Hale Springs Inn

World War II Encampment..... Town Square, Overton Masonic Lodge

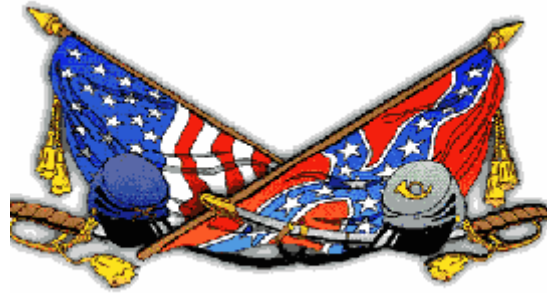
## Children's Events

Young'uns Yard      Depot at Washington Street  
Heritage Train      Depot at Washington Street  
Face Painting by  
Heritage Lites      Depot at Washington Street  
Leadership Class      Town Square

Basketball Toss  
Bungee Jump  
Climbing Wall  
Inflatable Games      Washington Street



## History Alive at Heritage Days: A Civil War Personification



*The Blue and Gray Trail*

By Jeff Bobo

One of the most anticipated new events for this year's Heritage Days is the "Civil War Personification" to be held at the Southern Depot building on Broadway and Depot Street.

It is an event that local author Sheila Johnston has been dreaming about for years. Johnston has written three books about the Civil War in Hawkins County. The "Civil War Personification" consists of living history performances by people portraying actual Hawkins County residents who were affected by the war, and several who were specifically involved in or observed the Battle of Big Creek on November 3, 1863. The characterizations are based on Johnston's research.

The battle took place east of Rogersville near the intersection of Big Creek with what is now Highway 11-W and resulted in a Confederate victory.

In most cases, performers will use the actual words of the person they are portraying, thanks to diaries and letters uncovered in Johnston's research. One interesting character is Mrs. Eliza Fain, whose diary documented the battle as well as day-to-day activities in the Rogersville area. The diary was published by her family. Six Hawkins County soldiers who were killed in the war will also be portrayed.

"This is the first-ever Hawkins County Civil War Personification, and, of course, these are real people who lived here. A lot of their letters and diaries survived the war. We hear about the battle, but it's more interesting when you start looking at the people who were around at the time and who were involved in it."

The living history characters will be dressed in period clothing, and Civil War and Revolutionary War artifacts will be on display at the museum. Performances will be held on Saturday at noon and 1:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:00 and 3:30 p.m. The Civil War Personification is sponsored by Citizens Bank of East Tennessee.

## History Alive at Heritage Days: WW II Paratroopers



World War II paratroopers will camp in the Rogersville Town Square during Heritage Days. Enactors from the [Five Oh First WWII US Army Airborne Regiment](#) will spend the weekend in a living history display of military life during World War II in Europe and educating the public about that life.

The group takes its name from the [501<sup>st</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment](#), which was activated at Fort Toccoa, Georgia in 1942. During World War II, it was part of the [101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division](#). This intensively trained and capable group was part of the advance forces parachuted into [Normandy](#) in advance of the [D-Day Operation](#).

Today, the Five Oh First Group is a comprehensive WWII US Army Airborne re-enacting group based in the Knoxville with over 50 members in 4 Southern states. Their primary impression is I Company, 3rd Battalion, 501st Parachute Infantry, 101st Airborne Division. By participating in living history and educational presentations, tactical battles and veteran's events, they strive to educate the general public to the contributions and sacrifices of all WWII veterans and to honor their service.

The group will be stationed on the Town Square in front of the Masonic Lodge. They plan to present interactive educational programs on uniforms and gear, guns and equipment and even c-rations.

## HERITAGE DAYS 2008 QUILT SHOW

*Sponsored by the Natural Gas Utility District of Hawkins County*

The Heritage Days Quilt Show promises to be a highlight of Rogersville's Heritage Days celebration. Sponsored by the Natural Gas Utility District, the quilts will be on display in the Hawkins County Courthouse in downtown Rogersville. The Quilt Show will open for viewing on Saturday, October 11 and will continue through Sunday, October 12.

This year's quilt show is dedicated to the memory of Carolyn (Kay) Zabriskie, the winner of last year's quilt show. She is shown with her winning entry, a heart-shaped bargello quilt. She passed away suddenly on March 10, 2008.

John Pluchak, an accomplished quilter from Kingsport, will judge the competition this year. Mr. Pluchak has had a life long interest in fiber arts and has the honor of having two of his many quilts hung in the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum in Golden, Colorado. An entry form must be filled out for each entry and turned in by Friday, October 3rd to the Rogersville Heritage Association office in the old Southern Depot at 415 South Depot Street. All quilts must be delivered to the Depot by Friday, October 8 by 3:00 p.m. All quilts must have a "sleeve" on the back for hanging or they will not be accepted for the show.

Entry forms for the Heritage Days Quilt Show are available at the following locations: the Rogersville Library, U-Save Pharmacy and the Depot Museum. For more information, call the Quilt Show chairman, Teve Williams at 423-921-0869 or call the Heritage Association office at 272-1961.



## HERITAGE DAYS 2008 ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

U.S. Bank will sponsor an art, photography and three-dimensional art show at Heritage Days this year. Original art in any medium and original photographs will be accepted. A committee of local artists will judge all entries. Ribbons will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners, with three cash prizes of \$50 going to the best in show in each of the three categories. All entries will be exhibited during Heritage Days in the Community Room of U S Bank.

The entries in each division will be divided into three categories: Children (up through age 11), Youth (ages 12 through 18) and Adults (ages 18 and older). Each entry must have the title of the work and the artist's name and phone number securely attached to the back with clear tape over the label. Work must be brought to the US Bank Community Room on Wednesday, October 8 between 1 and 5 pm, or on Thursday, October 9 between 9 and 5. Artists should pick up their works on Monday, October 13 between noon and 5 p.m.

Local artist Tata Andres will assemble and mount the show. All entries must be ready to hang or exhibit and all must be clearly marked on the back with the name and contact information of the artist or photographer. Entry forms are available at The Local Artist Gallery on Main Street, The Rogersville Hawkins County Chamber of Commerce, the Heritage Association Office at the Depot Museum, 415 South Depot Street, Rogersville, TN 37857. For more information or to request an entry form by mail, call 272-1961.



## Pine Needle Baskets: A Grandmother's Legacy

*Sponsored by Sekisui T. A. Industries*

Pam Etheredge began making baskets of pine straw at her grandmother's knee. Her grandmother, a Choctaw Indian, was born on a reservation in Mississippi, then moved to Alabama in the early 1900s. A craft of the southern Indians, pine straw baskets are made from the needles of the Southern Loblolly Pine, a tree with needles 10 to 12 inches and more in length. The needles are coiled, then sewn into place with sweet grass or sinew.

Ms. Etheredge's baskets are one-of-a-kind creations. Sometimes she incorporates natural materials such as wood, nuts and seeds in her work. The weaving of pine needle baskets is becoming a lost art among the southern Indians, and she is proud to be able to carry her family tradition in such a unique way.



## Booths and Vendors

Judy Adkins, A Touch of Country - Woodworking - A 3  
Jerry & Pam Ashburn, Pam's Purses - A 2  
Dennis Baccheschi - Original Paintings - B 24  
Phyllis Bell - Wooden Crafts - B 8  
Clinton Bellamy- Tennessee Selections - Food Items- C 11  
Wally Bible - Wooden Crafts - B 33  
Patsy Blackwell, Today's Dog - Pet Clothing - A 28  
Nancy Booth, Ta-Dye 4 Ink - tie-dye apparel - C33, 35  
Susan Brodowski, Northern Tsalagi Nation - Indian items - C 25  
Michelle Browder - Stained glass, beads - A 6  
Tom Brown- Apple Search - C 4  
Elaine Campbell - Jewelry - C 29  
James Campbell Books - A 23  
Niki Carroll, Tennessee Cross Carriers -A 30  
Gene Chapman - Food Items - B 20  
Dana Christian, Dana's Honey - B 2  
William Christian - Wooden Crafts - A 29  
Lisa Cooper, Iced Scents - C 24  
Donna Cornett, Just Herbs - D 18, 20, 22  
Donnie Counts - Wooden Crafts - B 27  
Lee Ann Dalton-Adkins - Jewelry - C 9  
Franklin Fink - Wooden Crafts - C 8  
Dana Godsey - Berry Vine Trails - Sitchery - B 4  
Ray & Sandy Goff - Wooden Crafts - C 36  
John Graham - Baskets - B 18  
Grace Fellowship Church - Tie dye clothing - B 38  
Deborah Greene. Guest River Works - Wooden Crafts - C 27  
Phil & Stephanie Grey, StepHi Sales - Jewelry, crystal nail files - C 22  
Pam Hall, Music City Silver - Jewelry - B 22  
Aaron Harden - Bonsai Plants - B 14  
Vickie Heatherly, Kountry Korner Krafts - Wooden Crafts- A 18  
Pete Hitch, Crockett's Creek – Sparkling grape juice, fudge - B 19, 21  
Amanda Hope, Grann's Gourmet Apples - A 32  
Tammie Hulse - Wooden Crafts- A 11  
Preston Hunt - Comfort Cuddler - B 9  
Ann Jalsa – D 2  
Carolyn Jamerson, Mom & Me Handbags - C 18  
John E. Johnson - Wood crafts - D 10  
Jeri Jones - Jewelry -C 23  
Rose Jowers, Made Just for You - Jewelry - A 9  
Mary Margaret Kenner, Smoky Mountain Memories - pictures, frames - 6  
Helen Lambert - Floral, candles, wooden crafts - C 26, 28, 30  
Rita Laster - Candles, wreaths, purses - A 4  
Mike Lawson - Photographs - B 30, 32  
Zenon Llusco - Musical Instruments - A 17  
Chere Lowery, Hang It Up - Picture Mats - C 3, 5

Cheryl Ludwig – Textile Art - B 17

Steve & Cheryl Luis, It's a Cheryl – Jewelry - A 19  
Mary's Chapel Apple butter - C 2  
Pat Mattox, CoMaKi Designs – Fused Glass, Lampwicking - A 25  
Gloria McLain - Keepsake Boxes - B 26  
Bill & Merle Metzelaar, Recycled Plastic Art - C 16  
Robert Morgan - Jewelry - B 23  
Doris Musick - Musick Enterprises - Books - A 7  
Darrell Myers - Fall Produce - C 37, 39



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Pearl Norman, S & J Greens – carnivorous plants - B 12  
 Mable North's Fried Pies - D 4  
 Bobbie & Jim Padgett - Candles, Wooden Crafts - A 27  
 O.H. & Averil Peters, Woodsgift Farms - Food Items - B 40, 42  
 Jim & Nancy Phillips, Jim & Nancy's Handmade Baskets - C 31  
 Terry Pierce - Barn wood Frames- A 1  
 A. M. (Jack) Price - Wood crafts - C 1  
 Vickie Price - Wooden Crafts - A 21  
 Ralph & Linda Ragan - Picture Mats - A 20, 22  
 Peggy Ramsey - Purses - D 8  
 Mark and Kim Ray - Prints & Knits - D 12  
 Denita Reavis & Donna Blazer - Stitchery - B 25  
 Dorata Roberts - Jewelry B 31  
 Michael Roberts, Whimsy Children's Toys - A 14  
 Leroy & Brenda Shanks, Leroy & Brenda Country Crafts - A 8  
 Petty Shepard - Baskets & Jewelry - C 6  
 Rosa Smith –hand knot shawls - B 29  
 Nancy Solomon – Quilt jackets - A 13  
 Bill & Tracy Spriggs, Oldetyme Woodworking - D 16  
 Anne Stafford, Smoky Mountain Enterprises – Jewelry,  
 Soap - C 19  
 Stanley's Produce & Garden Center - C 32, 34  
 Becky Stiller - Candles - C 13  
 Gary & Marsha Stowers - Ornaments - B 34  


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 James Sullivan - Pottery - B 15  
 Ron & Phyllis Sullivan, Hobby Gone Wild Too- Jewelry - A  
 12  
 Tammy Teall, Sew Biz & Crafts - Fabric crafts, gourds - C  
 15, 17  
 Jerry Tomlinson, Jerry's Tender Butt BBQ Sauce - D 14  
 Mary & Jeff Tullock, Wrap It Up - Jewelry - B 28  
 Heleen Van Zelst and Maria Mattia – Hand knit shawls and  
 Jewelry - B 6  
 Regena Waugh - Purses, food items - A 26  
 Watauga Christmas Tree Association - Christmas greenery  
 - C 14  
 Robyn Willmann - Jewelry, chimes - B 16  
 Linda Whitaker - Stitchery - C 20  
 Edith White, Smoky Mountain Beads - Jewelry - B 11  
 Steve White's Old -Fashioned Apple Butter - B 35, 37  
 Kimberly Wyatt, Emily's Porch - Wooden Crafts - A 5  
 Franklin Young, Lasting Impressions - Photographs - C 7

