

Minco Honey Festival December 3

Honey Bake Off, Beauty Pageant, Arts & Crafts, Live Music, Kids Tractor Pull, and More

By Jayson Knight
editor@tuttletimes.com

This year's Honey Festival will be Saturday, December 3, located where Highways 81 and 37 intersect, about 30 minutes southwest of Oklahoma City on Highway 81.

This year's festival will include attractions of all kinds, some traditions, and some things never seen at the Honey Festival before.

The day will begin at 7 a.m. with a pancakes and sausage breakfast sponsored by First National Bank and hosted by the chamber at the First United Methodist Church, located at the corner of North Highway 81 and Pontotoc Street in Minco.

Indian tacos will be served from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Minco Assembly, located at 309 SW Caddo Street in Minco.

A Honey Bake-Off will be held at the Minco Senior Center, located at 221 Main Street. Food entries will have to be turned in at the senior center by 11 a.m., and judging will begin at 1 p.m. Contestants must bring their recipe to be eligible to win.

Inside Minco City Hall, located at 202 Main Street, free samples of milk, chocolate milk, and cheese will be provided by Braum's Dairy and the Minco Chamber of Commerce.

A kids tractor pull contest, for kids 12 years or younger, will begin at 12:30 p.m. next to city hall, and registration for the contest will be at 11 a.m.

Santa will be featured downtown from 10

Sweet Celebration

WHAT: 32nd Annual Minco Honey Festival

WHEN: Saturday, December 3; 7 am to 7 pm

WHERE: Minco's Honey Festival is located where Highways 81 and 37 intersect, about 30 minutes southwest of Oklahoma City on Highway 81.

a.m. to 4 p.m. during the festival. 21st Century Santa is in need of new, unwrapped toys for their upcoming toy drive. For more information, give them a call at (580) 301-4538.

The Little Miss Honey Bee will be held one day prior, Friday, December 2 at the First Baptist Church's Family Life Center. For more information about the pageant, contact Shelby Morgan at (405) 535- 8001.

An arts and crafts show with over 100 vendors throughout three buildings will feature individual crafts, jewelry, gifts, honey baskets, along with wood and iron crafts. For more information on the arts and crafts show, or to get involved, email mincohoneyfestival@att.net or call (405) 642- 7136.

Thompson Carriages will be offering carriage rides for \$5 per person at Veteran's Park. Children five and under can ride free.

"Son of a Beekeeper" Lucas Ross will be performing at the arts and crafts show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ross is a Minco native who has appeared in films,

on television, and many regional commercials.

The event will also feature tours of the Great Plains Cotton Gin and Ross Honey Company. The Great Plains Cotton Gin is located 1.25 miles east of the four-way stop on Highway 37, and will conduct tours hourly from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ross Honey Company, located at 109 Belle Street, will host tours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Honey, candy, and gifts will be available at the honey plant, which is operated by Jimmy and Glenda Ross.

Minco Chamber spokesperson Deana Walje said Thursday, September 15, "We are working on the arts and craft show and we've had many people that have already replied to their invitations to be here. I feel like that is going to be a great place to be. Our kiddie tractor pull, that is always a big draw. The kids really get into that and they really enjoy it. That is a very interesting thing for children this year. "We're also going to have a man here that's going to be doing axe throwing, which

See MINCO, page 18



Festivalgoers buy honey from the Ross Honey Company in Minco during the 31st Annual Honey Festival in 2021. This year's festival will be Saturday, December 3. Below, a young man competes in the kids tractor pull, a Honey Festival tradition. FILE PHOTOS BY JAYSON KNIGHT

