

Troy association provides community with fun-filled event



READY FOR SHOW — Rylee Burruss, 7-year-old daughter of Olivia and Brett Burruss of Troy, waited patiently with her 3-year-old Great Dane, Rex, for the start of the pet show during Troy Community Involvement Days on Saturday.



HOLD ON TIGHT — A mechanical bull was set up as just one of the free offerings for the enjoyment of area residents at Troy Community Involvement Days on Saturday, which was hosted by the Troy Community Association. Four-year-old Presley Wiley, daughter of Kelsey and Grant Wiley of Hickman, Ky., tried her best to hang on as the bull slowly turned around and around. She and others also enjoyed inflatables set up for children and adults, a pet zoo, pony rides, a balloon artist, face paint-

ing and a rock wall. Contests included beauty pageants and a Rook tournament that morning, a pet show and a cornhole tournament, as well as cake walks. Throughout the afternoon and evening, vendors and food trucks were available. Overwatch band also performed and door prizes were given away. Friday evening, the association hosted a movie night with a free hot dog meal. The free events were made possible by the many volunteers and sponsors.



COLORFUL MAZE — Nineteen-month-old Tate Strain, son of Nick and Alexis Strain of Hornbeak, made his way through a colorful maze on one of the inflatables meant for children his age during the Troy

Community Involvement Days event on Saturday. The inflatables and other games were offered for free thanks to the many sponsors which help Troy Community Association with the event each year.



CONNECT FOUR — Abraham Keeler, 9-year-old son of Jamie and Tyler Hartman of Hickman, Ky., placed his second token in a Connect Four game set up at City Park in Troy for the town's annual festi-

val Troy Community Involvement Days. Abraham was decked out with an alien hat made from balloons by (not pictured) Jordan Campbell of Union City.



ARTISTIC VENDORS — Joanne Baldwin (right) of Troy talked with Brylee Beal (left) and Mattie Orr about the artwork they had for sale at Troy Community Involvement Days on Saturday. They were just one of several vendors set up at City

Park on the square selling their goods. Brylee is the 11-year-old daughter of Leah and Jamey Beal of Tiptonville and Mattie is the 11-year-old daughter of Becky and Brandon Orr of Hornbeak.

FESTIVAL DELAY
The sky started to turn dark, then the wind started to blow just as Troy Community Involvement Days opened for activities Saturday at City Park on the square. The weather pattern, which wasn't forecast to begin for another hour, caused festival-goers to run for cover, while vendors tried to hang on to their pop-up canopies. After a short rain delay, the event got back under way with vendors assessing the damages and putting their items back out on display, while children played on the wet inflatables. A scheduled cornhole tournament was slightly delayed and moved inside the Troy Senior Center. Overwatch Band also took the weather in stride as they took to the stage as association members used a leaf blower and broom to clear the pavilion of standing water.

