



Southeast Tourism Society Selects WellsFest Top 20 Event for September 2018

ATLANTA, Ga. (June 6, 2018) – The Southeast Tourism Society has named WellsFest as one of the STS Top 20 Events in the Southeast for September 2018.

Now in its 35th year, WellsFest is one of Mississippi's most family friendly outdoor musical festivals. This year's WellsFest will be held Saturday, Sept. 29, at Jamie Fowler Boyll Park at 1398 Lakeland Drive (next to Smith-Wills Stadium).

The net proceeds from WellsFest benefit a different non-profit each year. This year's beneficiary is Growing Up Knowing: Mississippi Campaign for Teen Pregnancy Prevention. The festival features music from some of Mississippi's best bands, a 5K run and walk, pet parade, children's activities, arts and crafts, and food.

"WellsFest has grown through the years to generate nearly \$1.5 million for local non-profits while providing fun for families," said the Rev. Heather Hensarling, senior pastor of Wells United Methodist Church, sponsor of the festival. "This designation is a wonderful affirmation of WellsFest's mission – a gift of love from our church to the community."

The STS Top 20 Festival and Event Awards have highlighted programs around the Southeast since 1985. Travel industry experts select 20 events per month, and STS publicizes them throughout the United States. For more information about WellsFest, call 601-353-0658 or visit www.wellsfest.org; for STS , visit www.southeasttourism.org.

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