

# 23rd Annual Dublin Peanut Festival September 19, 2015

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*Grand Marshal's*  
**Andrew Pait**  
and  
**R.J. Bailey**



DPF scholarship recipient



DPF T-shirt winner

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# 23rd Annual Dublin Peanut Festival!

It's Salty, Plain, Roasted, Green and Boiled. It's always the STAR of our show, better known to us as Bladen County's finest gem, " PEANUTS". We celebrate the Peanut the third Saturday of September each year. This year's date is September 19, 2015. The Festival is held in Dublin, N.C, also known as the Peanut Capital of the South. It is the home of Houston's Peanuts, that is known and whose peanuts are shipped worldwide.

Our festival kicks off at 10 AM with a Parade. Entry for parade is free, except for Queens & Kings. 1 Queen in auto \$25, 2 to 3 Queens in auto \$40 or 3 Queens plus in an auto, boat or float is \$50. If fees are not paid by Sept. 14th cost will be \$75 the day of the parade.

We will have the Classic Cruisers Car Show, Some of North Carolina's best Food Vendors, Craft Vendors, Bar-B-Que Lunch & Plate sale, Kiddie and Women's Tractor Pull, All Day Live Entertainment, Peanut Recipe Cook-Off, Mechanical Rides, Games, Our Secret Recipe Hot Dogs & Sausage Dogs. We have also added Steak and Chicken Fajitas to our own food lineup.

Our Peanut Festival T-Shirt design is drawn each year by the students at Dublin Elementary School. The festival Tee Shirt Committee selects a winner from all the drawings. This year's winner has been chosen and the shirts will surely go fast. Get yours early!

Back by popular demand we will be selling hot boiled peanuts on site this year along with our cold boiled, salted in the shell, roasted and green peanuts.

We have new rides coming along with some of the same rides and activity houses the kids look for each year. There is plenty to keep the kids busy as well as something the adults will enjoy too!

This year's Peanut Recipe Cook-Off Contest will consist of 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners in 3 divisions, Candy, Bread and Dessert. Judging will begin at 11:30 so bring you prize winning food entry early. Set up is in the school cafeteria.

Our Entertainment lineup this year is one we are very proud to announce. It leads off with The Mighty Echoes, next up is The Band of Oz & rounding out our show is a Bladen County favorite Black Water Rhythm and Blues Band. Put on your dancing shoes or just bring your lawn chairs and enjoy a day with these fantastic bands.

Each year our Festival gets bigger and better. We are 23 years strong and we are so proud of what we have accomplished. We are all about our local schools and our community. Please visit our website at [www.dublinpeanutfestival.com](http://www.dublinpeanutfestival.com) and read "About Us". Our committee looks forward to seeing each and every one of you have a great memorable day. There's nothing like seeing old friends and making new ones. So come on out and enjoy a day full of fun. It wouldn't be the same without you!

As for our deep commitment to our local schools and communities, none of this would be possible without our sponsors. From the smallest amount, to the largest contribution, every dollar donated helps toward one of our many projects. To become one of our sponsors, you may contact Bobbie Todd at 910-876-4884. I will be happy to assist you.

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October 10 8am-3pm

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\*\*\*Grape Stomp Competition\*\*\*

\*\*\*Entertainment\*\*\*

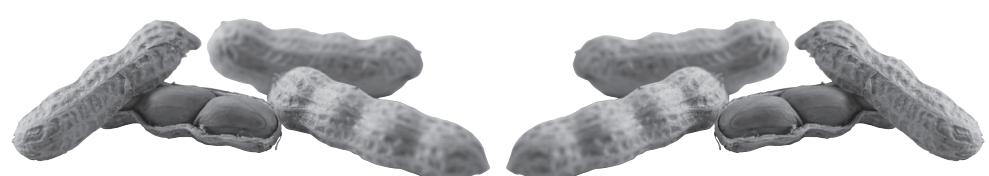
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For the safety of all of our festival guest, NO PETS of any kind are allowed, except Service Animals. Also no Food or Craft Vendors will be allowed to sell their food or wares along the parade route.

Should you need any info concerning our festival, please visit our website [www.dublinpeanutfestival.com](http://www.dublinpeanutfestival.com) and click on the appropriate tab.





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The Group continues to receive yearly recognition for performances and their involvement in surrounding communities. **The Mighty Echoes** write and arrange the music for their songs. If you have a love for great gospel quartet music, look for **The Mighty Echoes** CDs.

**The Mighty Echoes** present members include:

David LeSane – Lead  
 Harvey LeSane – Tenor  
 Danny LeSane – Back Lead  
 Bobby Mason – Baritone  
 Terry Lewis – Rhythm Guitar

Harry Miller – Lead Guitar  
 Ross LeSane – Lead Guitar  
 Willie Bellamy - Bass Guitar  
 Melvin Howell – Drums  
 Laconial Esters - Keyboard (not pictured)

**Booking Contact:** Harvey LeSane (910-654-5076) or [harvey.lesane@gmail.com](mailto:harvey.lesane@gmail.com)

# THE MIGHTY ECHOES



**The Mighty Echoes** of Elizabethtown, N.C., is a God sent gospel quartet recording group with their own special unique singing style of gospel quartet music. The group's origins date back to the 1960's under strong leadership and motivation of their beloved Managers Deacon Artis LeSane and Daniel (Bobby) LeSane (two brothers now deceased) and a brother in Christ Deacon Alexander Kelly (now deceased). The group has strong family roots seeded in them by their parents for a love of gospel music.

**The Mighty Echoes** place God first in their lives which enable them to press forward and continue weekly spreading the gospel in songs of praise that stirs the heart of many people. Deacon LeSane and his brother Bobby shared a special vision that **The Mighty Echoes** would be known as the top gospel quartet group within Bladen, Columbus, surrounding counties of North and South Carolina and other locations along the east coast where they sang weekly. They have shared the stage with and had on their anniversaries some of the best known gospel recording groups.

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# 23rd Annual Dublin Peanut Festival

## September 19th, 2015

### Schedule

NO PETS OF ANY KIND ALLOWED EXCEPT SERVICE ANIMALS

#### *All Day Events*

**8:00am12:00pm - Car ShowRegistration**

**10:00am -Parade (Be There at 9:15am to Line Up)**

**11:00am - Bar-B-Que Plate Sale, School Cafeteria**

**11:00am to 11:30am - Welcome by Mayor Horace Wyatt**

Opening Prayer

National Anthem

Introduction of Dignitaries

Introduction of Festival Queens

Introduction of Grand Marshal

Presentation of T-shirt & Scholarship Winner

**11:30am to 12:00pm The Mighty Echoes**

**12:00pm to 3:00pm Car Show Judging**

**12:30pm to 1:30pm - Band of Oz**

**1:00pm to 1:15pm - Announcements and Contests**

Kiddie and Women's Tractor Pull

Recipe Contest Winners

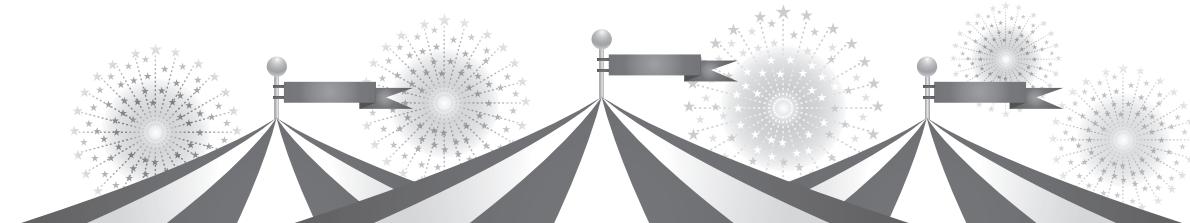
**1:45pm to 4:00pm-Blackwater Rhythm and Blues Band - [blackwaterrhythmandbluesband.com](http://blackwaterrhythmandbluesband.com)**

**2:15pm to 2:45pm-Announcements and Contests**

Winners of the Car Show and 50/50 Drawing Announced

Mechanical Rides

Huge Activity House and 35' Slide





# Band of Oz

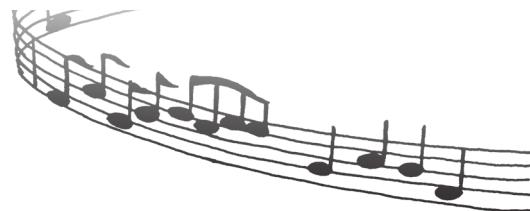
## - from Raleigh, NC



The Band of Oz was formed in 1967 as a part-time band playing fraternity parties and high school proms all over the South. In 1977 the band went on the road full time. Since that time the band has made an exceptional name for itself throughout the Southeast by playing the top clubs and corporate parties, and getting excellent reviews along the way. For several years the group has been a guest on most of the major beach concerts in the Carolinas, Virginia, and Georgia.

The Band of Oz is one of the most successful groups in the Southeast, and continues to get the very best reviews from the top people in the entertainment business. The band now features a full horn section to total a dynamic eight-member group. They still perform well over two-hundred shows per year for corporate events, festivals, concerts, wedding receptions, and many other public and private events.

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# Andrew Pait

## Grand Marshall

**Name:** Andrew Pait

**Occupation:** North Carolina State Trooper (Stationed Bladen County/Call Number B538)

**Birth Date:** April 29, 1977

**Education:** Attended Southeastern Community College

Received Associate in Applied Science Criminal Justice Technology.

Basic Law Enforcement Training North Carolina State Highway Patrol 105th Basic School

### Synopsis

Andrew is a life time resident of Bladen County he is the son of Billy Ray Pait and Emma Jean Pait. Andrew is married to Angela Dowless Pait and they have three kids Alise Pait (15), Andrew Pait Jr. (12) and Luke Pait (8). Andrew Pait was a graduate of Bladenboro High School Class of 95, he was also a graduate of Southeastern Community College with an Associate in Criminal Justice Technology. He started his Law Enforcement career at the age of 21 with Elizabethtown Police Department, and then as a Deputy with the Bladen County Sheriff Office. Andrew was accepted into the 105th North Carolina Highway Patrol Basic School and graduated March 5th of 2002. Andrew is a General Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor and Taser Instructor. His current duty station is Bladen County Troop B District 5 and has 13 years with the North Carolina Highway Patrol.



# Richard Bailey II

## Deputy Grand Marshall

Richard Bailey II (RJ) is the oldest son of Richard and Shirley Bailey of Dublin. RJ attended Dublin Primary School and Tar Heel High School being an athlete throughout his high school career.

Upon graduating as the first class of West Bladen High in 2002, he enlisted into the United States Marine Corps as a Private. Over the next several years he received several accommodations from the Marine Corps to include obtaining the rank of Sergeant while maintaining weapon system and conducting firing ranges in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. He has served a total of 12 years of service with multiple deployments in Iraq, as well Afghanistan prior to his completion of service on active duty.

In 2012 RJ attended Robeson Community College as a Basic Law Enforcement Student as he completed the course being the class leader in the fall of 2012. He then started his career with the Bladen County Sheriff's Office as a Road Patrol Deputy in January of 2013 and since then has advanced his career by achieving the rank of Patrol Sergeant in 2015.

He is also actively involved with the Dublin Motor Speedway as a Promoter and Program Coordinator with his family each Saturday night, as they provide the community, local race fans and children with friendly racing entertainment each week.

RJ looks forward to providing Bladen County citizens with a full 30 years of service and dedication to Bladen County.



# BLACKWATER RHYTHM AND BLUES BAND

The Blackwater Rhythm and Blues Band! When you hear these words, you better get ready for some great entertainment. The band calls Clarkton, NC home and travels all over the South to bring live beach music and blues to fans everywhere. The diverse backgrounds of these musicians comes together to create a sound that is representative of what beach music and R & B music is all about. The band is dedicated to making sure that the fans get what they come for. A tight rhythm section with smooth guitar and keyboard solos, overlayed with a powerful four piece horn section is sure to get you on your feet. Add to that a wide variety of vocals and harmonies and a general love for music and everyone goes away happy. The Blackwater Rhythm and Blues Band is proud to be a LIVE performing band and is a great addition to any event.





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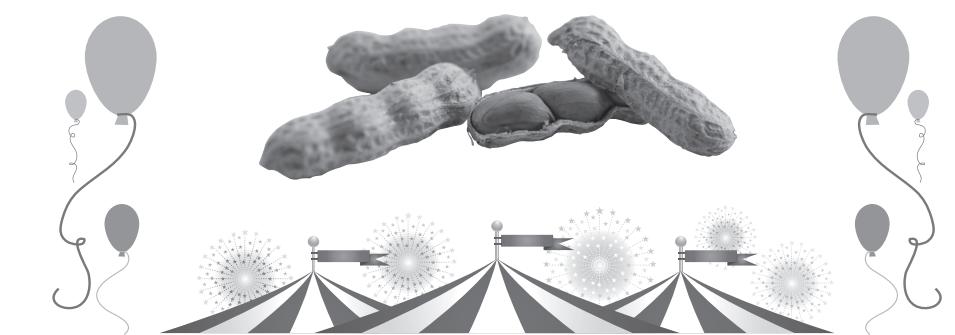
## **T-SHIRT WINNER**

Each year the students at Dublin Elementary School submit a hand-drawn picture of what the Peanut Festival means to them in hopes of being selected as that year's T-shirt design winner. The Peanut Festival T-shirt Committee then goes through the drawings and selects the one that stands out from the rest.

This year's winner is Riley McIntyre., who is the son of Derek and Elaine McIntyre and a fourth-grader in Cindy Clark's class. He loves the weather and outer space, which was his inspiration for his T-shirt design drawing.

## **SCHOLARSHIP WINNER**

Each year, the Dublin Peanut Festival Committee selects a graduating senior from West Bladen High School to receive its \$2,000 scholarship award. This scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior to continue their education at Bladen Community College. There are different levels of criteria for the award, but the most important is the student's grades. This year's winner is Zackary Bridgers, who is the son of Russ and Devonda Bridgers. He is beginning his studies at Bladen Community College in criminal justice and plans to pursue a career with the N.C. State Highway Patrol.



# **Did you know that Peanuts**

are packed with many important B-complex groups of vitamins such as riboflavin, niacin, thiamin, pantothenic acid, vitamin B-6, and folates? One hundred grams (slightly less than 1/2 cup) of peanuts provide about 85% of the recommended daily intake of niacin, which contributes to brain health and blood flow to the brain.

Source: [www.nutrition-and-you.com/peanuts](http://www.nutrition-and-you.com/peanuts)



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