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Dripping Springs Biggest Family-Friendly Event Returns April 22 – 24th

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Dripping Spring, Texas – Happy festival-goers will soon return to Dripping Springs for the community’s annual hometown event and springtime celebration. The 29th Annual Founders Day Festival will be held April 22 – 24th as thousands of people converge on Dripping Springs’ historic downtown district for a festive celebration of heritage and pioneer spirit.

The Annual Founders Day Festival honors the founding of Dripping Springs in 1850 by the Moss, Wallace, and Pound families and celebrates the tremendous spirit of volunteerism that still exists in the community today. Hosted by the City of Dripping Springs, Dripping Springs Lions Club, and the Founders Day Commission, which represents various community organizations, the proceeds from the weekend of live music, savory foods, and good old-fashioned fun directly benefit local non-profit organizations, churches, school and park programs, youth groups, and charities.

With a theme of *Destination Drippin’*, the festival will kick off on Friday evening, April 22nd at 6:30 p.m., with a grand parade of 75 floats or entries. Bring a lawn chair and come early to find the perfect spot to view the impressive procession as it meanders through downtown Dripping Springs.

The event will continue all weekend long with free live music and entertainment, street dances, the Mighty Thomas Carnival for kids, cook-off competitions, more than 150 arts and crafts vendors and business booths, tasty BBQ, and traditional fair food. In addition, many non-profit and charitable organizations will be represented.

Organizers are requesting additional support from local businesses and individuals to cover basic costs of the festival. Sponsorships which include advertising and recognition opportunities are available for as little as \$250.

The admission to the festival has remained FREE throughout the years because of the many volunteers, sponsors, local businesses and organizations that help cover expenses such as festival security, sanitation, barricades, tents, trash pick-up and publicity for the event.

Sponsorship forms, vendor applications, and parade applications can be found online at the Founders Day Festival home page at www.foundersdayfestival.com or at the Dripping Springs City Hall at 511 Mercer Street. For additional information, please call the Dripping Springs City Hall at 512-858-4725.