

APPALACHIAN FAIR

Golden Knights Baton Recipients



*The Golden Knights began performing at the Appalachian Fair in 1966

From 1966-1977:

Appalachian Fair
Dessie Martin – Board member
Mary Isenburg – Board Member
Viola ‘Shorty’ Bowser – Wife of Former VP George Bowser
Shirley Shadden – Wife of former VP Huvil Shadden
William Graham – North Electric Co
Carl Hall – Board Member
Judge Jack Wiseman
Niles Gray – Board President / Manager
Carl Jones – Johnson City Press Chronicle
Al Gregory – Board Member
Senator Al Gore
Congressman Jimmy Quillen
James H Drew, III (Jimmy)
Commissioner Gil Thornton
James H Drew, II
PL Robinson – State Government
Bob Good – County Government
Nathan Hale – Superintendent of Schools
Commissioner Ed Porter – TN Department of Agriculture
Frank Van Huss, Jr – Board Member/President

1977:

Derosier, President of ETSU
Rod Barnes, Fair Administrator
Janie Tester, Special needs young lady who loved the fair

1978:

Dallas Snyder – Board Member
Clyde Roberts – Board Member
Dick Ellis – Board Member

1980:

Art Pruitt’s sister with Dave & Sugar
Suzanne Mitchell – Dallas Cowboy Cheerleader
Toy Reid, Exec. VP of Tennessee Eastman

1981:

George St. John – Board Member
Roy Brown – Board Member
John Love, Mayor of Johnson City
Verna Britton, wife of former Board Member Bud Britton

1982:

Governor Lamar Alexander
Mr. Hart – President of Tennessee Eastman
George Bill Smith, Kingsport Chamber of Commerce President, Paty Company

1983:

JM Jordan, Former President of JC/Washington Co Chamber
Ken Maness, Manager of WJCW Radio
W W Sutherland, Fire Chief, Gray Volunteer Fire Department

1984:

John Graham, Board Member

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John Campbell, City Manager of Johnson City
Margaret Range, Board Member
Jim Seehorn, Board Member
Clifford Sanders, Board Member

1986:

Tom Hodge, Board Member
Dorothy Hamilton Hale, Board Member
George Walker, Board Member
Judson Thornton, Board Member

1987:

Dr. Shirley Chapman, Mayor of Johnson City
George Jaynes, County Executive
T Wilson Sparks, International Association of Fairs
Sheriff Ron England, Washington County

1988:

Warren Vest, Mayor of Johnson City
Bill Breeding, JC/Wash Co Chamber President
Al Gregory for WJHL-TV

1989:

Dr. M Lloyd Downen, Dean of UT Agricultural Extension Service
Hunter Wright, Mayor of Kingsport
Dale Range, Board Member

1990:

Charles Coffey, Parking Supervisor
Jim Zumwalt, City Manager of Kingsport

1991:

PC Snapp, Former Mayor of Johnson City
Don Hall, Board Member
Alan Shelton, Board Member
Dan Mahoney, Mayor of Johnson City

1992:

Eldo Janutolo, Pepsi Co
Richard Storey, Board Member
Jesse Francis, University of Tennessee Extension

1993:

Sue Henley, Board Member
Gaye Friday, Pepsi Co
Robert Gray, Board Member
Former Golden Knights Member (Requested by the Knights)

1994:

Ron Dawson, Board Member
Wilda Walker, Board Member
Don Castle, Pepsi Co
Richard Shadden, Fair Manager

1996:

Jerry Honeycutt, Artist
Janice Freeman, Board Member

2011: (85th Anniversary Year)

Sherry Shadden, Admin Assistant
Roy Jones, Board Member
Ron Dykes, Director of Schools
Paula Maupin, Principal of Gray Elementary School

2016: (90th Anniversary Year)

Steve Smith, Board Member

Robay Johnston, Board Member

Kimber Halliburton, Director of Washington Co Schools

Food City

WXBQ Radio – The Rabbit

2021: (95th Anniversary Year)

Phil Torbett & Family (Family of deceased Board Member – Cindy Torbett)

Joe Grandy, Mayor of Washington County

Dean & Thelma Crumley

Hal Range, Board Member

Edward Bowman, Livestock / Sheep Chairperson

Gray School

Joe Wise, Mayor of Johnson City

Greg Matherly, Director of Washington County 911 Services