## **Fun Fest**

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entertainment presented during the entire length of the festival. The 2017 festival featured: The Rod Cerar Band, High Brow and The Shades. The New (Never Ending Worship) Group, Performer—Toby Kid, Mexican Baile Folklorico Rosa Quetel, and even an appearance by Elvis. The music and entertainment added a fun dimension and facilitated a lot of interaction with audience members throughout the festival.

On the festival grounds people quickly found all of their favorites including: The Sweet Shoppe and Country Market, Bingo, Home Depot Kid's Wood Crafting, Kids' Town (including Toby Twist Balloon Animals), Grand Raffle, and 50/50 Raffle and Cake Walk. The

Saturday night Grand Parenting Booth that was a smashing success, complete with face painting, delicious three milk cake, and lots of surprises. The 2017 Big Top tent included a larger stage to facilitate a better audience experience for The New Group concert and Toby Kid Show.

The Silent Auction enjoyed it's second year in the administration/ cove area. The move from the gymnasium allows auction bidders to look over items while waiting in line for the waffle breakfast, fiesta dinner, and pie social. Other new additions such as the bean bag tournament, mini golf course, and expanded Kids' Town were all met with excitement.

One of the true highlights of the festival was the 10:30 a.m.

Polka Mass. The church was filled with many worshippers from visiting parishes. The popularity of the Mass caused a brief traffic iam on 7th street. but all worshippers were seated by time. The festival steering committee has received many compliments about the Rod Cerar band and the sincerity in which they approached the Polka Mass.

The 88th Annual Saint Henry's Parish Festival can be rated as a wonderful success! Nearly \$60,000 of gross sales were taken in by the two day festival (this was an increase of \$7.000 from the previous year). All who were present and participated came away with enjoyment, new friends and a deeper sense of parish community. The



For many years Toby Kid has been entertaining children and adults alike at our annual festival.

Parish Festival Steering Committee would like to thank all of the people who made donations, volunteers, sponsors, and the parish office. In addition, we would like to thank the Parish **Festival Committee** members for their many hours of hard work and dedication. With satisfaction, excitement and enthusiasm we look forward to continued growth and an even greater festival in 2018.



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As always, children of all ages enjoyed Kids' Town.