

After days of incessant rainfall, locals finally caught a break from the wet weather

Saturday, just in time to enjoy Owasso's 2018 Harvest Festival under clear skies (see

PHOTO gallery). The annual event, hosted by the City of Owasso, turned up another

large crowd in its 14th year to celebrate the autumn festivities at Rayola Park.

Kicked off in 2004, the popular gathering offers a free, fun-filled day for friends

and family to enjoy together, one that Elishya Cook and her team look forward

to hosting every October. "It's important for the City to provide something for the

community to be able to do with their family that isn't going to cost

them a lot of money and something they can enjoy here locally in our

amazing city," she said. Cook, administrative coordinator of recreation and culture, said the Harvest

Festival has drawn in around 10,000 patrons over the last several years, and this

time around was no different. Held 11 a.m.-4 p.m., the event played host to

food trucks, booth vendors, live music, singing competitions, animals, a kid zone and kiddie

train, a balloon artist, face painting, inflatables, a pumpkin patch and more. It also

featured a pet festival, supporting the Owasso Animal Shelter and celebrating "Adopt a Shelter

Dog" month, that allowed visitors to meet their animal control officers, receive discounted veterinary

services, view adoptable rescue animals and visit pet-related businesses. Sponsors included: Arvest Bank (presenting

State Farm, Foyil Music Studio, Owasso Animal Shelter, Cornerstone Ace Hardware, Oklahoma National Guard,

Acoustic Freight Train band, Owasso Family YMCA and Freedom Church. "We truly believe in

family here in the city of Owasso," Cook said. "And so to provide an

avenue for families is to get together and do something together to improve

upon that year after year and make it bigger and better." Cook said the

City of Owasso is currently seeking sponsors for its 2019 Owasso Harvest Festival. Those

interested can call City Hall at 918-376-1500 or visit cityofowasso.com/521/Harvest-Festival. Be the first to

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