

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Rockwood Fall Festival  
October 1, 2011 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.  
Rockwood, Tennessee



One of East Tennessee's most popular festivals returns October 1<sup>st</sup> with an all-star line-up of activities for the entire family. Originally started in 1949 by the Rockwood Business Club (Rockwood Merchants Association) as the "Trade Days Festival," the annual "Rockwood Fall Festival" now boasts a wide array of activities, pageants, entertainment, craft vendors, and something to satisfy everyone's taste.

Homecoming Park will feature the "Domino's Stage," where many special music artists will be performing through out the day. Scheduled to appear is singer-songwriter Mary-Joye Kilroy. Mary originally started in the music business as a make up/wardrobe artist for the rock group "Kiss". Mary is a talented songwriter and has traveled intensively across the country performing for theaters, festivals, and rodeos. Lori Smith, Nashville recording artist will also be performing. Lori has appeared in 4 movies and has opened shows for B.J. Thomas, Nitty Gritty Band, and Merle Haggard. Lori has had numerous appearances on the Grand Ole Opry. Some of our best local talent will be also appearing on the "Domino's Stage" including the First Baptist Choir, Roane State's Celebration Singers, Billy Wright, and other surprise guests.

The Pretty Baby/ Miss Fall Festival pageants will be held at the First Christian Church, located on Rockwood Street. Awards will be given for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. All contestants will receive a participation award. Complete details can be found on our website "[www.rockwoodfallfestival.com](http://www.rockwoodfallfestival.com)".

New to this years Fall Festival will be a wrestling demonstration by the Tennessee Professional Wrestling Association. At 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., each demonstration will consists of 4 matches. Located at the intersection of Front Street and Rockwood Street, you will not want to miss this exciting time. Also new this year is a Kids Coral, where there are several activities for children that are free. Activities such as puppet shows, storytelling, and games will be a treat for kids of all ages. Also new will be a corn hole tournament. The Sheriff Department will be providing photo ID's for the children. Face painting and the giant blow up will also be returning as in previous years.

Of course you will not want to miss the antique cars and tractors and the many vendors up down Rockwood Street. First Christian Church will be having its Pumpkin Patch and will also serve as a area for the Kids Coral and the pageants.

The Rockwood Festival is sponsored by the Rockwood Merchants Association and The City of Rockwood. Many thanks go out to our corporate partners who make this festival a success. If you would like more information on being a vendor or complete festival activities, go to [www.rockwoodfallfestival.com](http://www.rockwoodfallfestival.com) or call 865.617.1548.

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