

# Sports & Entertainment

## Wounded Heroes to host the Lee Greenwood Patriot Award Experience and Concert at Grand Ole Opry House Aug. 19 ... from sports-Military 2

This year, the W.F. Amos Sr Family Foundation, the Rush and Kathryn Adams Limbaugh Family Foundation, and LEN-NAR have sponsored a home as part of the Johnny Morris 100 Homes Challenge. They will be part of surprising more severely wounded warriors with the life-changing news that they have been selected for a Helping a Hero home.

Lee Greenwood is more than a legendary singer, songwriter, and musician—he is a true American treasure. For over 40 years, his iconic song "God Bless the U.S.A." has been a source of pride and unity, becoming our unofficial second National Anthem. He is a steadfast advocate for America's military and veterans, even meeting his wife on a USO tour.

"Lee Greenwood's tireless efforts and genuine compassion have made an indelible impact on

the lives of countless severely wounded heroes," said Meredith Miller, Founder of Helping a Hero's Home Program. "His unwavering support and heartfelt dedication have been a beacon of hope for our wounded heroes."

At the event, the 2024 Lee Greenwood Patriot Award recipients will be honored including Hollywood legend Pat Boone, Duck Dynasty's Willie Robertson, and Kathryn Adams Limbaugh, for their impact on America's heroes. Veterans who have received homes through Helping a Hero will also share their gratitude and inspirational stories at the event.

Billy Ray Cyrus and Ambassador Bill Hagerty will also receive The Lee Greenwood Patriot Award earlier in the day at the Helping a Hero's Sponsor Brunch. The sponsor party is being hosted by John Rich.

The Honorary Co-Chairs of the

event are Governor Bill Lee and Maria Lee. Event Co-Chairs include Patti and Louis Breland and Ryan Klesko who previously received the Lee Greenwood Patriot Award. Other celebrities participating in the festivities include Opry Member Bill Anderson, Opry Member T. Graham Brown, Paula Deen, Lee Greenwood, Opry Member Chris Janson, SSgt Joey Jones, USMC (Ret), Mary Millben, Alex Miller, Tony Orlando, Michael W. Smith, Tate Stevens, Opry Member Rhonda Vincent, Opry Member Mark Wills, the legendary Soul Man Sam Moore, Billie Jo Jones, Ian Flanigan, and Lee Greenwood and friends closing out with "God Bless the U.S.A." More participants will be announced next week.

"Receiving a home from Helping a Hero has been life-changing," said CPL Sue Crutchfield, USA (Ret). "Lee Greenwood's

music and dedication have inspired me to keep going despite my injuries. His support has given us the strength to serve our communities."

"Lee Greenwood's 'God Bless the USA' has always been a source of strength for me," added Cpl Sebastian Gallegos, USMC (Ret). "The home we've received through Helping a Hero has provided my family with stability and hope, allowing us to focus on healing and thriving. We are forever grateful for the support and inspiration from Lee and Helping a Hero."

"Our nation's heroes have sacrificed so much for our freedom, and it's our duty to ensure they receive the support they need to thrive," said Paula Deen, National Ambassador of Helping a Hero. "Helping a Hero is honored to stand alongside these brave men and women, providing adapted homes and essential

services to help them rebuild their lives. It's a privilege to honor Lee Greenwood for his dedication to our heroes. Having witnessed my own father's struggles as an amputee, I understand the importance of these adapted homes in giving our heroes the independence they deserve."

Tickets to the event are available at the Opry website: <https://www.axs.com/events/648878/hero-s-salute-to-lee-greenwood-tickets?skin=opryhouse> Those interested in sponsorships please email [patriots@helpingahero.org](mailto:patriots@helpingahero.org).

**ABOUT HELPING A HERO:** Helping A Hero is one of the top national charities building specially adapted homes for qualifying service members through partnerships with builders, suppliers, patriots, and veterans. Helping a Hero strives to engage the community in providing serv-

ices and resources for our wounded heroes and their families. Additionally, Helping A Hero provides support programs such as marriage retreats, caregiver retreats, recreational activities, and emergency needs grants.

**JOIN THE 100 HOMES CHALLENGE:** Johnny Morris, founder of Bass Pro Shops and noted conservationist, has pledged 25% of the cost of the next 100 Homes and invites the American people and companies alike to join him in the 100 Homes Challenge. The public is invited to Nominate a Hero, wounded heroes needing adaptive housing from the post 9-11 Global War on Terror are invited to complete our Home Application. Both forms are available on our website to be completed online at [helpingahero.org](http://helpingahero.org).

## Downtown Memphis Commission and Beale Street Management announce 2nd Annual Patio Porkers on Beale competition

MEMPHIS, TN. August 12, 2024 – The Downtown Memphis Commission and Beale Street Management are excited to announce the second annual Patio Porkers on Beale competition, set to sizzle on August 24th in Handy Park.

This highly anticipated event

will bring together 30 teams for a one-day smoke-off, all vying for the title of the ultimate backyard barbecuer and a share of over \$4,000 in prize money!

**Event Details:**

- Date: August 24th, 2024
- Location: Handy Park, Beale Street

- Time: All-day event
- Admission: Free and open to the public

This single-day contest, sanctioned by the Memphis Barbecue Network, will see teams from all over competing for prize money, trophies, and the ultimate amateur bragging rights. Spectators

can enjoy watching the competition for free and experience the rich barbecue culture of Memphis.

For those eager to taste some barbecue, Beale Street is home to a variety of renowned restaurants serving mouthwatering barbecue every day:

- Alfred's on Beale
- BB King's Blues Club
- Blues City Cafe
- Jerry Lawler's Hall of Fame Bar & Grill
- King's Palace Cafe
- The Pig on Beale
- Rum Boogie Cafe
- Silky O'Sullivan's
- Tin Roof

**Get Involved:**  
  
•For Team Applications: Patio Porkers team application and Team Booklet: The team booklet visit <https://bealestreet.com/events/patio-porkers-on-beale> or contact Jon Shivers, Beale Street Management at 901.526.0115.

### An invitation from Wilson County-TN State Fair

LEBANON, TN – Reithoffer Shows is diligently working to provide a fantastic new ride at the Wilson County-Tennessee State Fair that opens August 15, 2024. The brand-new Sky Ride is a thrilling new attraction that promises to deliver breathtaking views and unforgettable experiences for all fairgoers

In our commitment to providing a safe and enjoyable experience, we have been diligently working to ensure that the Sky Ride adheres to all safety rules and regulations as mandated by the Tennessee State Elevator Division. Our team is following all necessary protocols to guarantee that the ride meets the highest safety standards.

"We are incredibly excited to introduce the Sky Ride to our Tennessee community," said Rick Reithoffer, owner of Reithoffer Shows, the carnival provider for the Fair. "Ensuring the safety of

our guests is our top priority, and we are working closely with the Tennessee State Elevator Division to make sure every aspect of the ride meets their stringent regulations. We are hoping that the new ride will be able to open with the 2024 Fair."

The Sky Ride will offer a scenic journey high above the fairgrounds, providing fairgoers with a unique vantage point to enjoy the festivities and attractions below. It is designed to enhance the fair experience with a touch of exhilaration and a sense of adventure.

We invite everyone to join us at the Wilson County-Tennessee State Fair presented by your Mid-South Ford Dealers that will run from August 15-24, 2024. Tickets and additional information about the fair can be found on our website at [wilson-countytntatefair.com](http://wilson-countytntatefair.com). We'll see YOU at the Fair!

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HELPING A HERO 100 HOMES CHALLENGE Bass Pro Shops

**The Lee Greenwood Patriot Award Experience and Concert**

Celebrating Lee Greenwood's dedication to our wounded warriors as Helping a Hero's National Ambassador from 2012-2023

**August 19, 2024**

Nashville, TN - Grand Ole Opry House  
7:00p.m. - 9:30p.m.

FROM FEDE ALVAREZ  
DIRECTOR OF DON'T BREATHE AND EVIL DEAD  
AND PRODUCER RIDLEY SCOTT

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