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## Bert Parish - State Farm Donates \$3,000 to Support 2025 Chainsaw & Arts Festival

Bert Parish – State Farm has contributed \$3,000 in support of the 2025 Chainsaw & Arts Festival, presented by Eupora Economic Development. This donation will go toward logistical support for the event, including hotel accommodations for participating chainsaw carvers, meals for the artists, and fuel and oil needed to power the chainsaws used in live carving demonstrations.

These resources will help ensure the festival runs smoothly, supports the needs of its featured artists, and delivers an engaging experience for attendees. By covering these essential behind-the-scenes expenses, the contribution strengthens the festival's ability to showcase world-class carving talent and attract visitors from across Mississippi and surrounding states.

The 2025 Chainsaw & Arts Festival will take place October 1–4 at the Garan Property in Eupora. The event will feature internationally recognized chainsaw artists, live entertainment, artisan vendors, food trucks, and interactive community activities. The festival's 2025 theme, "Critters of the Magnolia State," will celebrate Mississippi's wildlife through whimsical and creative interpretations.

Eupora Economic Development coordinates the festival as part of a larger initiative to position the city as a hub for arts, culture, and heritage tourism, while generating measurable economic impact for local businesses and residents.

Sincerely,

Janet Cook, Executive Director Eupora Economic Development