

Where are the wackiest New Year’s Eve drops in the US?

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Why let New York City have all the fun with its Times Square ball drop on New Year’s Eve? Dozens of places across the U.S. will ring in 2026 by dropping a quirky assortment of fruits, vegetables, sea creatures and balls of all shapes and sizes. Many have a home-town flair. There’s the giant cheese wedge in Plymouth, Wisconsin, a chile pepper in Las Cruces, New Mexico, a pinecone in Flagstaff, Arizona, and a conch shell in Key

West, Florida. Pennsylvania is home to a bonanza of bizarre New Year’s Eve events — the bologna drop in Lebanon, the pickle drop in Dillsburg and the potato chip drop in Lewistown. It’s a New Year’s tradition that goes back to 1907 when a 700-pound (318-kilogram) ball measuring five feet (1.5 meters) in diameter debuted in Times Square. Copycat celebrations have surged coast to coast over the past few decades and around the beginning of the new millennium.

FRUITY TRADITIONS ON NEW YEAR’S EVE
It’s said in some cultures that eating fruit on New Year’s Eve brings luck and wealth. Perhaps that’s why many cities mix fruit into their celebrations. Miami has its “Big Orange” drop, while Sarasota, Florida, features a pineapple. There are cherry drops in Milwaukie, Oregon, and Traverse City, Michigan. Brightly lit grapes plunge from above in Temecula, California. Atlanta this year is replacing its peach drop with a “digital drone peach in the sky.”

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various ministries, but also one the community. “It’s been significant to our church through Vacation Bible School, Sunday school, Judgement House and our kids ministry,” Noffsinger said. “But it also brings in kids

to our church facilities three times a week through children’s choirs, which had standing room only for a program last week. It also brings in kids to our Sunshine ministry where they hear Bible stories, we feed them and bless them at Christmas. “It also impacts our community — it’s a

place where less fortunate folks can come and take a shower. It is used as a voting location, and civic organizations have had meetings there.” In the wake of the December 2021 tornado it saw extensive use, especially to house Disaster Relief workers from five different states. DR has also conducted training in the building.

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changed. Ultimately, the nation of Judah was lost because of its disobedience. King Nebuchadnezzar of

Babylon came in took all he wanted and led the people into exile. Will we learn this lesson today? Do we think we can edit God’s Word to our preferences because we don’t like what it says? Remember, not


only is scripture given by inspiration of God, it also makes us complete and equips us for every good work (II Tim. 3:15-16)! It may not tell us what we want to hear but it definitely tells us what we need!

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Notice of New Appointment
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Case # 25-P-00135
Estate of: Marvin Harold Morris, 3487 Highway 126, Princeton, KY 42445
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Case # 25-P-00139
Estate of: Phyllis Jean Robertson, 1344 Dawson Road, Princeton, KY 42445
Attorney: Vance Cook, Post Of-

0900 LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE
Wentawa, Inc. d/b/a BP of Kuttawa hereby declares its intention(s) to apply for a tobacco, nicotine or vapor product license no later than January 31, 2026.

The licensed premises will be located at 29 Days Inn Kuttawa, Kuttawa, Kentucky 42055. The owner and president is James Daniel, 75 Mystic Cobalt St., Santa Rosa Beach, Florida 32459.

Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 500 Mero Street, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, within thirty (30) days of the date of legal publication.

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that there will be a sale by sealed bid of a 2017 Dodge Ram 1500, Black, VIN# 1C6RR7MT3HS812345, titled in the name of Reynaldo Lopez on Friday, December 19, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at Stinnett Truck Repair & Towing, LLC, 1211 South 4th St, Paducah, KY 42003, to satisfy the statutory lien against the same for towing and storage. The vehicle being sold may be inspected by appointment at STINNETT TRUCK REPAIR AND TOWING, LLC, 1211 South 4th St, Paducah, KY 42003. Any questions can be directed to (270) 443-1300.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that the Lyon County Fiscal Court will accept sealed bids for the surplus property listed below. Sealed bids will be received in the office of the County Judge/Executive, P.O. Box 598, Eddyville, KY 42038, until 1:00 p.m. on January 8, 2025, at which time said bids will be opened and read aloud at the Lyon County Courthouse. Successful bidders shall pay and remove surplus property within 30 days of bid opening. Lyon County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. For further information contact the Judge/Executive's office at above address or call 270-388-7311.

*** 8 Blue Chairs (low back), 2 Blue Chairs (high back)**

Jaime Green-Smith
Lyon County Judge/Executive

LYON COUNTY KENTUCKY
ELECTRICAL INSPECTION FEES
ORDINANCE NO. 01-2026
PUBLICATION SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE regulating Electrical Inspection Fees.

SECTION ONE – RESIDENTIAL FEE SCHEDULE

RESIDENTIAL INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE

Single Family Dwelling (SFD)	\$75.00 per inspection
Multi Family Dwelling (MFD)	\$75.00 per meter
Mobile Homes	\$75.00
Additions	\$75.00
Change Outs	\$75.00
Re-Inspection	\$75.00

SECTION TWO – COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL FEE SCHEDULE

COMMERCIAL INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE

Fees for State Inspections.

(1) The electrical contractor, property owner, or other person responsible for the electrical work shall pay the department the inspection fee required by this section.

(2) A certificate of inspection or other final approval of an electrical construction, installation, alteration, or repair shall not be issued by the department until the fee required by this subsection has been paid.

(3) The fee to inspect electrical work having a complete value of less than \$8,000 shall be \$125.

(4) The fee to inspect electrical work having a complete value more than \$8,000 but less than \$16,500 shall be \$250.

(5) The fee to inspect electrical work having a complete value more than \$16,500 but less than \$25,000 shall be \$500.

(6) The fee to inspect electrical work having a complete value of \$25,000 or more shall be calculated as a percentage of the complete value in accordance with the schedule below:

\$25,000 to \$199,999	2.0%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	1.9%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1.5%
\$500,000 to \$699,999	1.3%
\$700,000 to \$999,999	1.1%
\$1,000,000 & Higher	1.0%

SECTION THREE – REPEAL AND REPLACEMENT

Upon the effective date of this Ordinance, Lyon County, Kentucky Ordinance 15-6 shall be and is hereby repealed and replaced with the provisions of this Ordinance.

A complete copy of this Ordinance is available in the Lyon County Judge Executive's Office during normal business hours.

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