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Hutchinson-Conley family reunion is slated for June 7th

The 31st annual reunion of Hutchinson-Conley family will be at the Maysville-Mason County Recreation Park, located at 2340 Old Main St., Maysville, KY 41096, on June 7 at 12 p.m.

The family and friends of James E. Hutchinson and Cora D. Conley Hutchinson look forward to seeing you all.

PLEASE bring your family covered dish and your favorite dessert. Whether you cook, bake or buy, bring something good. It takes a lot to feed us! Let's all enjoy the day together.

The park offers a good fishing lake, various games and a beautiful pool.

Come and share a wonderful day and great fellowship.

For more information call Judy at 937-405-6766 or Lloyd at 606-584-1089.

VBS at Watson Church is slated June 10-13th

Vacation Bible School at Watson Church will be June 10-13, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. each night. Bring your kids for the ultimate Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. As kids trek the tundra, they'll explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Pointing them toward Jesus, True North VBS shows them that he is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North! Everyone is invited to attend!

Revival, homecoming at Fannin Church

There will be a revival Wednesday-Saturday, June 4-7, at Fannin Church. Bro. Tim Hamilton will be preaching. Services will begin at 7 p.m. nightly.

Homecoming will be Sunday, June 8. Church starts at 11 a.m.

Pastor John Paul Skaggs and Assistant Pastor Rick Lyons invite everyone to attend.

Ison family reunion is slated for Sat., Aug. 16

The Ison family reunion will be 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, in the round cafeteria at Elliott County High School. We look forward to seeing everybody!

Keith Whitley Music Scholarship Winners For 2025 Announced

By Margie Pate

The Friends Of Keith Whitley Corporation is proud to announce it's 2025 Keith Whitley Music Scholarship winners.

Madison Spencer and Autumn Osborne graduated from Elliott County High School on May 30, 2025. Their high caliber of attention to their education and their education goals left the board members of Friends Of Keith Whitley Corporation torn for the first time as to whom the Keith Whitley Music Scholarship would be awarded to this year.

Unable to make a decision between these two students, the board decided that for the first time that not one scholarship would be given to one student, but to award two scholarships of equal amounts.

Both Madison and Autumn have been chosen to both receive a \$1,000 Keith Whitley Music Scholarship.

Congratulations to both students on their achievements and we wish them both the highest form success in their futures.



Madison Spencer and Autumn Osborne

Longtime East Ky. Dem joins Republican Party

Sen. Webb says she didn't leave Democrats, but "the party left me"

Longtime Democrat legislator, Sen. Robin Webb of Grayson announced Friday she is joining the Republican Party.

Webb, who has served in the state legislature since 1999, was one of two Democrats left in the statehouse representing parts of Eastern Kentucky., once a Democrat stronghold that has turned Republican area over the last two decades

In a press release from the Republican Party of Kentucky, Webb said that she didn't leave the Democratic Party, but "the party left me." She added that her core values have not changed, just "the letter next to my name" and she will continue to focus on issues in rural Kentucky.

"The Kentucky Democratic Party has increasingly alienated lifelong rural Democrats like myself by failing to support the issues that matter most to rural Kentuckians," Webb



Senator Robin Webb

said. "First and foremost, I'm a mother, a rancher and a lawyer with deep personal and professional roots in Kentucky's coal country. As the Democratic party continues its lurch to the left and its hyper focus on policies that hurt workforce and economic development in my region, I no longer feel it represents my values. It has become untenable and counter-productive to the best interests of my constituents for me to remain a Democrat.

Updated school board meeting locations, dates, times are noted

The Elliott County Board of Education will meet as follows on the remaining dates for the year 2025.

- June 19th
- July 17th
- August 21st
- September 18th
- October 16th
- November 20th
- December 11th
- January 15th

All board meetings will be held at 6 p.m. in the Elliott County Board of Education Multipurpose Room. This notice shall comply with KRS 61.840. Board members may participate through video teleconference.

Route 504 Fire Dept. is seeking Auxiliary committee members

Route 504 Fire Department is asking anyone in the community to join our Auxiliary committee. Members will help coordinate and run fundraisers, maintain the training center, and keep the public updated on things happening at the fire department. Joining the Auxiliary helps Route 504 Fire Department help the community.

Meetings will be held on the first Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the Frank Whitt Memorial Training Center.

Please call 606-738-5778 for more information or ask any 504 firefighter.

Howard Cemetery Notice

Those wishing to contribute to the upkeep and mowing of the Howard Cemetery on Route 173 may send donations to Edna W. Pennington or Joyce W. Lewis at P.O. Box 152, Sandy Hook, KY 41171. All donations will be appreciated.

Simmons Cemetery Notice

Friends and family of the Simmons Cemetery on Rowe Flat in Elliott County wishing to contribute to the maintenance of the cemetery may contact Carl Simmons, 81 Mobley St., Sandy Hook, KY 41171, or call 606-738-5282.

DISCOVER THE GORGE Summer Schedule Underway

Cooler-than-usual temperatures have been the trend the last few days, but there are tell-tale signs that summer is almost here. The school year is ending, and summer break is beginning for kids and teachers; churches are busy planning for vacation Bible school; and at the Laurel Gorge Cultural Heritage Center, we are gearing up for summertime activities as well.

Our Summer Sewing Schedule kicks off on the first Tuesday of June. We will have one-day sewing workshops that begin at noon on the following Tuesdays: tote bag on June 3 (\$20), hobo bag on June 17 (\$15), zippered cosmetic bag on July 1 (\$20), apron on July 15 (\$15), table runner on July 29 (\$25), and a microwavable potato bag on August 12 (\$15). Liz Turner will be the instructor for these classes. Each session will last 2-3 hours, and all supplies will be provided by LGCHC. Workspace and sewing machines are limited, so participants will need to message us on Facebook or call 606-738-5543 to reserve a space and/or machine for each session.

The Summer Sewing Schedule also includes a quilt-along series with Liz Turner on alternating Tuesdays: June 10, June 24, July 8, July 22, and August 5. These sessions will also begin at noon and last around two

hours. Participants can expect to have some homework with this project. Participants will be making a lap-size quilt top in the pattern of "Sticks and Stones." A fee of twenty-five dollars, due at the first session, covers all five sessions. Participants will provide their own fabric and thread for the project and may bring their own sewing machines or use ours for the afternoon at no additional cost. Fabric requirements for the quilt top include one jelly roll (or forty 2 1/2" strips) and two yards of background fabric. If interested in participating in

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Pop-up driver's license event is slated June 18th

The next Pop-Up Driver's License event in Elliott County will be on Wednesday, June 18, at the Elliott County Courthouse. You may begin reserving your spot on the website calendar on Friday, June 6.

Below are two links: The first is the documents guide which explains what you will need to bring with you the day of the event.

The second will give you information and direct you to the calendar for registration on that day.

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Public hearing on school dist. facilities plan June 19

There will be a public hearing June 19, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. located at the Elliott County Board of Education. The public hearing is to hear public comments and concerns related to the Elliott County District Facilities Plan.

Local Board Public Hearing Agenda

- Hearing Officer: Dolly Fannin.
- Call to Order by the District Designee
 - Hearing Officer Opening Remarks and "Statement of Purpose"
 - The Local Board of Education has submitted the Proposed Draft of the Facilities Plan to the Department of Education. This accepted "Proposed Draft Facilities Plans" is to be reviewed tonight in the Local Board Public Hearing and copies will be distributed.

This Local/State Board Public Hearing should have:

- Sign -In Sheet to record

all present.

- Recording device to document the proceedings.
 - Public address System to allow those speaking to be heard.
 - This Local/State Board Public Hearing is for the purpose of hearing and documenting testimony. The hearing Officer is to document the public comments. It is not within the purview of the Hearing Officer to sway public opinion or to comment on the proposed plan.
 - Review of Facilities Plan.
 - Recording of Testimony.
 - Reading of written testimony including that sent or e-mailed to the school district.
 - Oral testimony.
- Following the Local/State Board Local Hearing the Department of Education will prepare a Hearing Officer's Report. This report will be submitted to the Local Board of Education for review.

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Sign Up For Cooking Through The Calendar!

It's Time to sign up for cooking through the calendar. We will make a recipe a month from our NEP calendar. Participants will learn how to make the recipe and sample the recipe and receive a recipe calendar. Call the Elliott County Extension Office to sign up. 606-738-6400. Spaces are limited.

Save The Dates For Elliott County 4-H Camp!

Elliott County 4-H Camp dates will be July 29, 2025, to August 1, 2025.

Information about signing up for 4-H camp will be coming soon.

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