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Excitement building for 78th Daniel Boone Festival, now just two weeks away

By Charles Myrick
Publisher

The 78th Daniel Boone Festival will fill downtown Barbourville with a week of pageantry, pioneer traditions, food, music and community celebration Oct. 4-10, culminating with a packed Saturday featuring the annual parade and a full day of entertainment.

This year's festival, themed "Red, White, and Boone," begins Sunday, Oct. 4, and builds toward several of its signature events, including the 2026 Royalty Coronation on Monday evening, headline concerts Thursday and Friday, and Saturday's parade and closing concert.

The first event of the week is the Daniel Boone Festival Baby Pageant, an annual event sponsored by Knox County Middle School Cheerleaders, will be hosted at Knox County Middle School's gymnasium beginning at 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 4. Admission cost for students is \$1, with adult tickets at \$5.

One of the first event highlights of festival week will be the 2026 Royalty Coronation at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 5, at the Knox

County Middle School gym on North Main Street. Admission is \$5, while children 5 and younger are admitted free. The coronation is sponsored by the GFWC Barbourville Jr. Woman's Study Club.

Monday will also feature the opening of the Daniel Boone Trading Post from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and registration for the Art, Photography and Quilt competition from 5-7 p.m. at One Way, 300 Court Square. Registration for the competition will continue from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday.

Window displays open Tuesday and remains part of the festival throughout the week, with awards displayed beginning Wednesday. The Daniel Boone Trading Post will operate from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The festival carnival begins Tuesday, operating from 6-11 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday and from 2-11 p.m. Thursday. It returns from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday. Pre-sale carnival tickets will be available at Barbourville City School beginning Sept. 28 from

City adopts new rules for landlords, pawn shops; amends 2026-27 budget



PHOTO BY KAYLIE FARMER
Barbourville City Councilmen Ronnie Moore, left, and Jacob Rose, right, follow as multiple ordinances received a second reading at a recent City Council meeting.

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Barbourville property owners could face new costs when trash and furniture are left behind after tenants move out, while pawn brokers and secondhand dealers will be subject to a \$1,500 annual licensing fee under ordinances recently approved by the Barbourville City Council.

The council also amended the city's 2026-27 budget to more than \$7.1 million and established its annual property tax levy.

The four ordinances, Nos. 2026-8 through 2026-11, address garbage collection, the city budget, property taxes and regulations governing pawn brokers and secondhand dealers.

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Heritage Days gives glimpse into the past



Dr. Thomas Walker State Historic Site hosted its Heritage Days on September 17 and 18, which allowed students and visitors to learn about historic living through stories and demonstrations.

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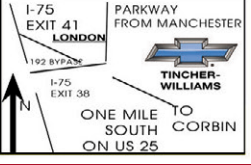


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